

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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EXHIBITIONS ON FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Exhibitions organised by the Government at the national level for promotion of food processing industries during the last one year and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to organize national exhibitions on food security and processing of food products in the country;
- (c) if so, the details and locations thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the benefits likely to accrue thereby?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a): Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not organise Exhibitions on its own. However, the Ministry has a Plan scheme "Promotional Activities". In accordance with the provisions of the Scheme, Ministry participates in the Exhibitions/Fairs organised by India Trade Promotion Organisation under Ministry of Commerce and other reputed Government as well as Non-Governmental Organisations on case to case basis. Financial assistance is also provided for organising these events.

State-wise details (including location) of Exhibitions/Exhibition-cum-Seminars participated/assisted by Ministry of Food Processing Industries at National level during the last one year and the current year (till 17th February 2011) are at Annexure-I and II, respectively.

(b) & (c): This Ministry does not organize exhibitions/fairs directly. It, however, sponsors such events partly/fully for promotion of food processing sector on case to case basis.

(d): The Scheme of Promotional Activities is aimed at development of the food processing industries sector by creating awareness through dissemination of information, familiarizing the existing and prospective entrepreneurs with modern techniques of production and packaging, development of market, popularisation of processed food products and attracting investments etc.