

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:476

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SHORTAGE OF MANPOWER IN FPIS

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

- (a) the total number of persons employed in the Food processing Industry (FPI) sector as on date;
- (b) whether shortage of skilled manpower in FPIs is hampering the growth of the sector;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan/scheme for human resource development and strengthening of institutions in FPI;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the funds sanctioned and achievements made during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (f) the further steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 476 FOR ANSWER ON 6th SEPTEMBER 2011 REGARDING SHORTAGE OF MANPOER IN FPIS

(a): This Ministry does not maintain the data on total number of persons employed in the food processing sector.

(b): Yes, Madam.

(c): The rapidly growing food processing industries in the country requires availability of matching number of skilled manpower to sustain it on the continuous basis. As per the report of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) on "Human Resource and Skill Requirements in the Food Processing Sector (2022)" there are gaps in terms of demand over supply in the organised sector at all levels. Further, there is a demand of about 1 lakh trained persons annually as against the supply of over 10000 persons.

(d): Yes, Madam.

(e) & (f): Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing the Plan Schemes of Human Resource Development (HRD) and Strengthening of Institutions during the 11th Plan.

The Scheme of Human Resource Development has 4 components as under:

- (i) Creation of infrastructure facilities for running Degree/ Diploma courses in Food Processing Technology.
- (ii) Food Processing Training Centre (FPTC).
- (iii) Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP).
- (iv) Training at Recognized National/State level Institutes etc sponsored by MFPI/ other training programmes.

Under the Scheme of Strengthening of Institutions the Ministry assists following four institutions/bodies, which are under its administrative control:

- (i) Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT)
- (ii) National Meat & Poultry Processing Board (NMPPB)
- (iii) Indian Grape Processing Board (IGPB)

(iv) National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship & Management (NIFTEM)

The details of funds sanctioned and achievements made thereunder during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise in respect of Human Resource Development Scheme at Annexure-I and that of Strengthening of Institutions at Annexure-II, respectively.