

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

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ASSISTANCE FOR PARK HOUSES
Jakhar Shri Badri Ram

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

- (a) whether the Government provides assistance to States for setting up of park houses and ware heat treatment plants for processing of fruits like mangoes, bananas and other perishable food crops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith names of locations in Rajasthan where integrated park houses and ware heat treatment plants have been set up;
- (c) whether incentive subsidy and loan facilities are being provided by the Government to the farmers to set up these plants; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam, Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce & Industry under its scheme for Infrastructure Development extends financial assistance to PSUs and registered exporters for setting up of Integrated pack houses for perishable products like fruits and vegetables. Assistance is also provided for setting up of vapour heat treatment plants. National Horticulture Board (NHB), Ministry of Agriculture is also providing assistance under its scheme "Capital Investment Subsidy for Construction/Expansion/ Modernization of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce".

The details of the schemes of APEDA & NHB are enclosed at Annexure-I & II respectively. Presently, vapour heat treatment is desired by Japan and Australia for export of manoges from India. No proposal has been received for setting up of vapour heat treatment Plant in Rajasthan. Details of pack houses assisted in Rajasthan is at Annexure- III & IV.

Assistance under the financial assistance scheme of APEDA is provided to the registered exporters only. APEDA & NHB does not provide any loan.