

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

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the data relating to the number of food processing industries set up in the country are not Centrally maintained by the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the manner in which the strategy for encouraging the food industries in the country would be formulated/implemented in the absence of such data; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The data relating to the number of food processing industries setup in the country is not centrally maintained in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.

(c) & (d): Food Processing Industries are set up both in organized and un-organized sector. The National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) compiles the data on food processing industries in the country. However, there may be some food processing units in unorganized sector for which no data may be available with the Government. Apart from this, National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council (NMCC) also maintains data on registered food processing units in the country. These data relating to the number of food processing industries is used while planning and formulating the strategy for encouraging the food processing industries in the country.