GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3809 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2009 MODERNISATION OF WINE AND BEER UNITS Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar

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

- (a) whether the Government provides assistance for investment and modernization of wine and beer manufacturing units in the country;
- (b) if so, the criteria fixed for extending such support;
- (c) the details of funds allocated for the said purpose during the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and
- (d) the employment and revenue likely to be generated by the new policy?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES(SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries, under the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/ Modernization/ Establishment of food processing industries, extends financial assistance to food processing units, including Wine and Beer manufacturing units, in the form of grant-in- aid @ 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to maximum of Rs.50 lakhs in general areas or 33.33% subject to maximum of Rs.75 lakhs in difficult areas.
- (c): The Scheme of Technology upgradation/ modernization/ establishment of food processing industries covers food processing units in various sectors such as fruits & vegetables products, consumer industries, grain milling industries, meat & poultry industries, fish processing industries, wine and beer manufacturing industries etc. The fund allocated forthe Scheme of Technology Upgradation/Modernization/ Establishment of food processing industries for the Eleventh Five Year Plan is Rs.600 crores.
- (d): Food processing sector has been considered as high employment generating sector. It is estimated that for every Rs. One Crore invested, it creates 18 jobs directly and 64 jobs indirectly in the organized sector and 20 jobs in the unorganized sector across the supply chain. There is no new policy in this regard.