

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of Food Processing Training Centres functioning in the country at present, State-wise, especially in Gujarat;
- (b) the financial assistance provided to each State by the Union Government during each of the last three years and the quantum of funds released to each centre during the above period;
- (c) whether timely utilization certificates are being submitted by these training centers;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefore; and
- (e) the step taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a); The Ministry of Food Processing Industry has assisted 501 food processing training centres from 8th Plan onwards upto 2008-09 in the country including 4 in Gujarat. The state-wise details are at Annexure-I
- (b): The state-wise details of funds released during the last 3 years for setting up of food processing training centres is at Annexure-II.
- (c) to (e) : The Ministry is in regular touch with State Nodal Agencies and the applicant organizations in obtaining utilization certificates in time. In addition to expedite submission of the pending utilization certificates several steps are being taken which include review meetings, issue of reminder, field visits etc.