

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

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SUBSIDY ON MEAT EXPORTS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes under implementation for encouraging and promoting meat and poultry industry in the country;
- (b) the assistance provided to the States during each of the last two years for the purpose, State –wise;
- (c) whether the Government is providing subsidy on exports of meat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Under the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/Modernization/ Establishment of Food Processing Industries, MFPI extends financial assistance to food processing units including fruit and vegetable processing units in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50.00 lakh in general area or @33.33% subject to maximum of Rs. 75.00 lakh in difficult areas such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and North Eastern States, A&N Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas.

The Ministry under the Scheme for Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure provides financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @50% of the total plant and machinery and technical civil works in general areas, and @75% of the total cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works in difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 10.00 crore. The initiatives are aimed at filling the gaps in the supply chain, strengthening of cold chain infrastructure, establishing value addition with infrastructural facilities like sorting, grading, packaging and processing for horticulture produce including organic produce, marine, dairy poultry products etc.

(b): The assistance provided to the States during each of the last two years for the purpose, State –wise is as per annexure '1'

(c): In addition to the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/Modernization/ Establishment of Food Processing Industries, Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) provides Financial Assistance under its following schemes for encouraging and promoting its scheduled products including meat and poultry products:

i. Schemes for Infrastructure development. ii. Schemes for Marketing development. iii. Schemes for Quality development. iv. Schemes for Transport development.

(d): APEDA does not provide direct export subsidy on export of meat. However, APEDA provides financial assistance to its registered member exporters including meat exporters for export of meat under the following financial assistance schemes:

- i. Scheme for Infrastructure Development: Assistance to meat exporters is provided for purchase of reefer trucks for
- ii. Scheme for Market Development: Assistance is provided for publicity and promotion.
- iii. Scheme for Quality Development: Assistance is provided for implementing Quality assurance systems such as ISO, HACCP, etc. setting up of Quality Control Lab etc.
- iv. Transport Assistance Scheme: to mitigate high transportation cost to West African market, assistance is provided to the meat exporters under the Scheme.