

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

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PRODUCTION OF MILK POWDER  
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**Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of plants producing milk powder in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the amount of milk powder produced by each plant during each of the last three years; and
- (c) the details of the demand and supply of milk powder during the above period, State –wise?

**Answer**

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

(a): The Ministry does not maintain data on number of plants producing milk powder in the country. 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.

Further, under the above Scheme, MFPI extends financial assistance to various food processing units including milk processing units in the form of grant-in-aid. The details are at Annexure '1'

(b): Does not arise

(c): The details of the demand and supply of milk powder during the above period, State –wise are not maintained by the Ministry.