

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

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

- (a) the details of the schemes for the development and promotion of Food Processing Industries (FPIs) under which assistance is provided to various State Governments and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country, scheme-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated and provided to such organisations during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give priority to farmers, Self Help Groups and women for providing grants-in-aid for setting up of FPIs; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing various plan schemes for promotion and development of food processing industries i.e.
- (i) Scheme for Infrastructure Development with three major components i.e. Mega Food Park, Cold Chain, Modernization of Abattoirs,
 - (ii) Scheme for Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries,
 - (iii) Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards and R&D,
 - (iv) Scheme for Human Resource Development and
 - (v) Scheme for Strengthening of Institutions. The Ministry has launched a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme "National Mission on Food Processing" (NMFP) during the 12th Plan which will be implemented through the State Governments.
- Financial assistance under these schemes is provided to the entrepreneurs directly except the scheme for Strengthening of Institutions and the newly launched Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely "National Mission on Food Processing" where fund are released to the State agencies. The details of funds allocated and financial assistance provided under various schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise is at annexure.
- (c) & (d): Under the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries, the proposals from Self Help Groups (SHGs) and Women Entrepreneurs are eligible for assistance and given due importance in accordance with the guidelines of the scheme.