

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

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VISION DOCUMENT FOR FPI
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any vision document to promote Food Processing Industry (FPI) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the achievements made vis-a-vis the targets set for the Xith Five Year Plan in the said document;
- (d) whether the existing food processing capacity of the country is sufficient; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Government to improve and increase the capacity of the Food Processing Industry?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): The Vision Document was prepared in the year 2005. Vision Document suggested strategy to ensure faster growth of the sector. The adopted Vision 2015 provides for enhancing the level of processing of perishable from 6% to 20%, enhancing value addition from 20% to 35% and increasing India's share in global food trade from 1.5% to 3% by the year 2015. To achieve these targets, investment of Rs. 100 thousand crores was estimated by year 2015, out of which Rs. 10,000 crores was to come from Government. Accordingly, Ministry formulated its 11th plan schemes to attract the required investment in the sector. No specific target for 11th Five Year Plan was set in the vision document. The details of the achievements, scheme wise during 11th Plan is annexed.

(d): No, Madam.

(e): In order to improve and increase the capacity of food processing sector the Government is implementing various plan schemes for promotion and development of food processing sector 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 Institution. The Ministry has engaged the Programme Management Agencies as domain experts for assisting the Ministry in infrastructure development projects.

The Working Group constituted on Food Processing Sector for Ministry of Food Processing Industries for 12th Five Year Plan has recommended the launch of a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme- 'National Mission on Food Processing' (NMFP) w.e.f. 2012-13. Government has approved a proposal for State Government to start preparatory activities for this scheme and has approved release of Rs. 51 crores for this purpose.

In addition, other agencies of the Government like National Horticulture Mission (NHM), National Horticulture Board (NHB), Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) also provide assistance for cold storages and processing infrastructure under their respective schemes. 'Creation and Management of cold chain infrastructure' for agriculture has been identified as a thrust area by the Hon'ble Prime Minister. Being a thrust area, the Government has also provided various fiscal incentives for setting up of cold chain infrastructure.