

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

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CONTRIBUTION OF FPIs TO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the contribution of the food processing sector to the agricultural productivity in the country continues to be low;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has undertaken any survey or study to determine the potential benefits that food processing can have on boosting agricultural productivity;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to undertake such a study or promote research in this field in agricultural universities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated for the development of food processing units in the last two years?

Answer

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

- (a): No such data are being maintained by this Ministry.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): There is no such proposal under the consideration of this Ministry.
- (e): The details of funds released for the development of food processing units in the last two years are enclosed.