

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

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

- (a) Whether the Government has received any proposal from the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) for the establishment of food processing centers in Tamil Nadu during the 12th Five Year Plan;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with the funds earmarked for the purpose; and
- (c) The present status of the proposal?

Answer

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

(a): No, Madam. Ministry does not receive any applications for Food Processing Centers during 12th Plan (2012-13). However, with the launch of National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP), a centrally sponsored scheme during 12th plan (2012-13), the HRD scheme and all its components have been subsumed in the mission. Accordingly, receiving of applications and sanction as well as release of funds, supervision and monitoring of the scheme, rests with the State Governments.

The mission provides for greater role to States/ UTs including flexibility in the selection of beneficiaries, location of projects etc. for the development of food processing sector as well as skilled manpower for the sector.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.