

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

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PROCESSING CAPACITY OF FPIS  
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**Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total processing capacity of the food processing industries across the country and the total contribution thereof, in terms of percentage to the world processing capacity;
- (b) whether the Union Government has formulated any plan of action to enhance this capacity; and
- (c) if so, the details and the salient features thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a): Data on total processing capacity of the food processing industry across the country is not centrally monitored by the Ministry. Hence no comparable data in terms of percentage to the world processing capacity are available.

(b) & (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries is providing financial assistance to food processing industries under various plan schemes to enhance processing capacity in the country. A statement of salient features of the Plan schemes of the Ministry is enclosed.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PART (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 727 FOR 27.11.2012 REGARDING PROCESSING CAPACITY OF FPIs.

The salient features of the schemes of the Ministry are as under:-

1. National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP): The Ministry has launched a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely National Mission on Food Processing during 12th Plan to be implemented through State Governments. Some of the ongoing schemes of the Ministry have been subsumed in the NMFP in addition to the newly proposed components. This will not only provide better outreach for the schemes of the Ministry but also allow the Ministry to focus on Central Policy issues.

2. Scheme for Infrastructure Development

a. Mega Food Parks: The scheme provides for creation of State of the art infrastructural facilities for food processing sector. The scheme envisages financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @ 50% of the project cost excluding land component in general areas and @ 75% in North East Region and difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 crore per project.

b. Integrated Cold Chains: Financial Assistance is provided in the form of grant-in-aid @ 50% of the total cost of Plant & Machinery and Technical Civil Works in general areas and @ 75 % in North East Region and difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 10 crore per project.

c. Setting up/ Modernization of Abattoirs: Financial Assistance is provided in the form of grant-in-aid @ 50% of the total cost of Plant & Machinery and Technical Civil Works in general areas and @ 75 % in North East Region and difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 15 crore per project.

3. Technology up-gradation/Establishment/Modernization of Food Processing Industries: Financial Assistance is provided in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the total cost of Plant & Machinery and Technical Civil Works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas and @ 33.33 % in North East Region and difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs per project.

4. Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex, R&D and Other Promotional Activities.

Food Testing Laboratories: Financial Assistance is provided to Central/State Governments, its Organizations/Universities, including deemed universities for entire cost of the laboratory equipments. They are also eligible for @ 25% of the cost of Technical Civil Works to house the equipments and furniture and the fixtures associated with the equipments in general areas and @ 33% in difficult areas including NER. All other implementing agencies/private sector organizations will be eligible for grant-in-aid @ 50% of the cost of laboratory equipments and @ 25% of the cost of technical civil works.

Implementation of HACCP: Financial assistance is provided in the form of reimbursement of expenditure to Central/State Government Organizations, IITs & Universities and Private Sector @ 50% of the cost of consultant fee, Plant & Machinery, Technical Civil Works and other expenditure towards implementation of total quality management system in general areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 15 lakhs and @ 75% in difficult areas including NER subject to a maximum of Rs. 20 lakh.

Research & Development: Financial Assistance is provided to Central/State Government Organizations/ IITs/Universities @ 100% of the equipment cost/ consumables/ JRD/SRF.

#### 5. Scheme for Human Resource Development.

The scheme envisages financial assistance by way of grant to

- (i) Food Processing Training Centre (FPTC).
- (ii) Creation of Infrastructure for running degree/diploma courses in food processing in universities.
- (iii) Entrepreneurship Development Programmes (EDPs)
- (iv) Training programmes sponsored by Ministry of Food Processing Industries.

#### 6. Strengthening of Institutions.

(i) National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM): Creation of NIFTEM is certainly the largest initiative of the Ministry in recent years. The institute has been set up at Sonapat, Haryana. It is an apex institution for the sector with an over arching mandate on various aspects of the food processing industries.

(ii) National Meat & Poultry Processing Board (NMPPB): The board have focus on evolving and adherence to modern standards of hygiene and quality in this sector through initiatives for standardization, testing etc.

(iii) Indian Grape Processing Board (IGPB): This board located at Pune amidst grape growing area aiming at making Indian wine a preferred product in both domestic and foreign market.

(iv) Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT): The IICPT is a pioneer research and development institute under this Ministry. The institute is engaged in R&D of food grain processing, value addition, by-product utilization through bio processing, process and product development.