

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:327  
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PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN FPIS  
Singh Shri Ganesh

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

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment with respect to participation of women workers in Food Processing Industries (FPIs);
- (b) if so, the number of women workers engaged in the FPIs in various parts of the country including Madhya Pradesh, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has started any specific scheme for providing maximum employment to women in this sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): As per the Annual Survey of Industries 2009-10, a total of 2,69,975 women workers were employed in registered food processing units in the country. State/ UT-wise details on the number of women workers employed in food processing units is given in the Annexure. As regards employment in unregistered food processing units, it is estimated that a total of 11,59,174 women workers were engaged in the year 2010-11 as per the information released in the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) 67th Round (July, 2010- June, 2011).

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Does not arise.