

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently launched a National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP);
- (b) if so, the salient features of the Mission and the manner in which the Mission is being implemented including the funds allocated for the purpose, State-wise;
- (c) the names of the States which have implemented the Mission and the progress made by them in this regard, State-wise; and
- (d) the benefits likely to accrue to the entrepreneurs and the farmers under the Mission and the success achieved so far, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The salient features of the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) are: (i) to realize the Ministry's next leap forward in terms of ensuing requisite growth impetus and value addition to the sector; (ii) decentralized approach; (iii) greater role of State/UTs; (iv) better outreach and (v) effective supervision and monitoring.

The NMFP scheme is implemented as a Centrally Sponsored scheme in all the States in the ratio of 75:25 (Govt. of India : States) except for North-Eastern States, where the ratio would be 90:10 (Govt. of India : States). All the UTs are funded by Government of India on 100% grant basis.

Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has released Rs. 181.44 crores (Rs. 35.25 crores for preparatory activities / advance action + Rs. 146.19 crores for NMFP main Scheme) to States / UTs as on 28.2.2013. A statement indicating State-wise details of funds allocated during 2012-13 under the NMFP is at Annexure-I.

(c): 32 States / UTs have started implementation of NMFP during 2012-13. Haryana State has issued few sanctions for release of grants-in-aid under NMFP.

(d): Since the NMFP has been launched in 2012-13 as a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme, it is too early to assess State-wise benefits / success accrued under NMFP by entrepreneurs / farmers in such a short period of implementation. However, all the States / UTs have been empowered to receive the applications, sanction and release the grants-in-aid to the eligible beneficiaries under various components of the Mission. Mission also provides flexibility to State / UT Governments in the selection of beneficiaries, location / region of the projects etc. for the development of food processing sector in their States. The above initiative may benefit larger number of entrepreneurs including farmers across all the States/UTs.