

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has prepared vision 2015 for food processing sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the progress achieved in food processing by each State so far; and
- (d) the fund earmarked and released for this purpose to each State so far?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHA)

(a) to (b): Yes, Sir. In order to increase level of processing and to promote food processing industries to exploit both the domestic and international market potential for processed food products, Vision 2015 Document has been finalized by the Ministry of food processing Industries (MFPI), which envisages trebling the size of the processed food sector by increasing the level of processing of perishables from 6% to 20%, value addition from 20% to 35% and share in global food trade from 1.5% to 3% by 2015. An integrated strategy for promotion of agribusiness-Vision, Strategy and Action Plan for the Food Processing Sector has also been approved by the Government.

(c) to (d): Different States have achieved different levels in food processing. Such data is not maintained by this Ministry. Ministry of Food Processing Industries extends financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas or 33.33% subject to a maximum of Rs.75 lakhs in difficult areas under the Scheme of Setting up/Modernization/Expansion of food processing industries. This Scheme is project specific and allocation is not provided State-wise. The State-wise financial assistance provided to the various units under the scheme in the country during the last three years are annexed.