

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

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SETTING UP OF FISH PROCESSING UNITS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any scheme/proposal for establishment of fish processing units;
- (b) If so, the details thereof and the locations where the said units are proposed to be set up, location and State-wise; and
- (c) the time by which these units are likely to be opened and made functional?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam. During the 11th Plan the Government had implemented the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/Establishment/Modernisation of Food Processing Industries. Under the scheme all sub-sectors viz, fruits & vegetables, milk products, meat, poultry, fishery, cereal/ other consumer food products etc. are covered for extending financial assistance as per scheme guidelines.

However, during the 12th Five Year Plan the Ministry has launched a new centrally sponsored scheme - National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) w. e. f. 01-04-2012. The above Scheme of Technology Upgradation has been subsumed in the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP), for implementation by States / UTs w. e. f. 01-04-2012. The financial assistance under NMFP for Technology Upgradation w. e. f. 01-04-2012 is as under:

25% of the cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works, subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas, 33.33% of the cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works, subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas (i.e. Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep) and Integrated Tribal Development Project (ITDP) areas and 50% of the cost of Plant & Machinery and technical civil works, subject to a maximum of Rs.100 Lakhs for North-Eastern States including Sikkim.

(b) & (c): Ministry does not set up of on it's own new establishments of food processing units. However, it extends financial assistance across the country for the entrepreneurs/applicants for setting up of food processing units. The details of assisted fish processing units under the aforesaid scheme during the last four years is annexed.