## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently conducted a survey to assess the number of food processing industries required in each State/UT by the end of 2015;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up cold storages in rural areas so that the perishable vegetables and fruits are stored immediately after their harvest;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of existing cold storages in each State/UT at present and the time by which the country can become self-reliant in storage of vegetables and fruits?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SMT. HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL)

(a)to(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 438 FOR ANSWER ON 23RD DECEMBER, 2014 REGARDING FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES.

- (a)&(b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries have not conducted any survey to assess the number of food processing industries required in each State/ UT. However, as per Annual Survey of Industries 2011-12 the total number of factories in the registered food processing sector in the country was 36881.
- (c)&(d): Ministry does not setup cold storages on its own either in rural or urban areas. However, to promote setting up cold chain infrastructure, the Ministry is implementing following schemes:
- i. Scheme of Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure: For setting up of integrated cold chain and preservation infrastructure facilities from the farm gate to the consumer, the Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing a Central Sector Scheme of Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure. Grant-in-aid @ 50% of the total cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works in general areas and 75% for NE region and difficult areas (North-Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand) subject to a maximum of Rs 10 Crore per project is provided for setting up the cold chain infrastructure. Integrated cold chain and preservation projects can be set up by individuals, groups of entrepreneurs, cooperative societies, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), NGOs, Central/State PSUs, etc.
- ii. National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP): The Ministry has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme i.e. National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) during 12th Five Year Plan. For setting up of cold chain projects for non-horticulture products like dairy, meat, poultry, fish, etc. following assistance is provided:

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Area Capital Subsidy Interest Subsidy

General Grant-in-aid @ 35% of the 6% per annum subject to

bank appraised project a maximum of Rs. 2

cost subject to a maximum crore per project

of Rs. 5 crore. or actual interest accrued

on term loan, whichever is

lower for a period of 5 years

of the project.

Difficult including Grant-in-aid @ 50% of the 7% per annum subject

North Eastern project cost subject to to a maximum of Rs. 3

Region a maximum of Rs. 5 crore. crore per project or actual

interest accrued on term

loan, whichever is lower
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for a period of 7 years from completion of the project.

- iii. In addition, National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and National Horticulture Board (NHB), under Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India are also providing assistance for setting up cold storages under their respective schemes.
- (e): State-wise details of cold storages are Annexed. A study conducted by National Spot Exchange Limited (NSEL)in 2010 has indicated cold storage requirement of 61.13 million tons and the present capacity of cold storage at around 32 million MT in the country.