

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

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ASSISTANCE TO FPI IN ODISHA
Laguri Smt. Sakuntala

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

- (a) whether the Government has provided assistance to the food processing industries in Odisha during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, industry and location-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has set any time frame in regard to receipt of proposal and release of assistance;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to reduce the time involved in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. During the 12th Five Year Plan, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) had launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme - National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) for implementation through State / UT Governments. Under the Mission, one of the schemes is meant for Technology Upgradation / Establishment / Modernization of Food Processing Industries, which aims at creation of new processing capacity and up-gradation of existing processing capabilities in the sector. The location-wise and industry-wise details of financial assistance provided to the food processing industries in Odisha during the last two years (2012-13, 2013-14) and current year (2014-15) are at Annexure.

(c) to (e): No time frame is stipulated for receipt of proposals in a financial year. However, assistance to eligible units is released as far as possible in the same financial year subject to merit of the proposals.