

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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Food Processing Units

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

- (a) the details of food processing units and its existing capacity including solar based food processing units in the country, state/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has received several proposals from various States for financial assistance for setting up food processing units in their respective States during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including funds provided to the States for the purpose during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Governments has set any target for setting up of food processing units, cold chain units, mega food parks and for reducing wastage of fruits, vegetables, and other horticulture products across the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for sustainable development of food processing industries including budgetary allocation for the purpose?

Answer

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

(a): As per latest Annual Survey of Industries: 2012-13, the details of registered Food Processing Units in the country are given below at Annexure-I. So far as the details of solar based Food Processing Industries is concerned, the Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not maintain such data.

(b) & (c): 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) w.e.f. 01.04.2012 for implementation through State / UT Governments.

During the 1st three years of 12th Plan i.e. 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, MOFPI allocated lumpsum budget to each State Govt/UT to consider various project proposals submitted to them under various schemes of the NMFP which includes schemes for Technology Upgradation / Establishment / Modernization of Food Processing Industries, Cold chain, HRD, Promotional activities, Primary Processing centres, Reefer vehicle etc. for necessary action at their level.

Under this scheme, State / UT Governments have been empowered to receive applications, and where found eligible sanction the applications with the approval of State Level Empowered Committee (SLEC) and release the grant-in-aid accordingly. The amount released to each State/UT year-wise under NMFP is at Annexure-II.

Under the said scheme of National Mission on Food Processing, financial assistance for setting up of new food processing units is provided under the scheme of 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 number of projects sanctioned under Technology Upgradation Scheme by the State /UTs and the details of financial assistance provided to the food processing industries in various State/UTs during last three years (2012-13, 2013-14 & 2014-15) are at Annexure-III.

(d): A well developed food processing sector with higher level of processing and infrastructure development in supply chain helps in reduction of wastage and improves value addition. To address the above issue, Ministry is implementing the infrastructure development scheme of Mega Food Park and Scheme of cold chain, value addition and preservation infrastructure.

The scheme of Mega Food Park provides modern infrastructure facilities for the food processing infrastructure along the value chain from the farm to market. The main feature of the scheme is cluster based approach. Under the scheme of Mega Food Park, 42 projects have been sanctioned by the Government and out of these, 40 have been approved by the Ministry.

The Cold chain scheme is to provide integrated and complete cold chain and preservation infrastructure facilities without any break from the farm gate to the consumer. Presently, the Ministry is assisting 138 Cold Chain Projects, these include 30 new cold chain projects which have been recently sanctioned against the cancellation/ vacant slots of earlier phases. Operationalization of 138 cold chain projects is expected to create a capacity of 4.76 MT of Cold storage/ CA/Deep Freezer etc. Further, 58 cold chain projects have already been completed and commenced commercial operation.

(e): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries through its various schemes under NMFP and also Central Sector schemes viz, Scheme of Mega Food Park, Scheme for Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure, Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards, R&D and Promotional Activities has been taking steps for sustainable development of food processing industries. However, the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) has been delinked from the Central Government w.e.f. 01.04.2015 and left upto the States to implement the scheme out of their own resources. For Central Sector schemes and committed liabilities of 11th plan scheme, the budgetary allocation during the 12th Plan i.e. 2012-2016 are as under:

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2012-13 660.00 660.00 655.88

2013-14 708.00 550.00 527.64

2014-15 770.00 600.00 579.49

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