GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3766 ANSWERED ON:22.12.2015 Milk Processing Units Chavan Shri Harishchandra Deoram

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

(a) the number of milk processing units in the country State/UT-wise;

(b) the ranking of milk processing units in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the measures taken by the Government for generating awareness of food processing sector among common man and farmers?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Madam, Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not maintain data centrally on number of Milk processing units in the country State/UT-wise and its ranking. However, information furnished by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi regarding active licenses of Dairy Units under Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 in the country State/UT-wise is given as Annexure I.

(c): Yes Madam, Ministry of Food Processing industries under the plan scheme for "Promotion of Food Processing Industries" provides financial assistance for organizing Pan-India Level Seminar/ Workshop/ Fair/ Exhibition, conferences, symposium. MoFPI also participates in Pan-India level Fair, Exhibition organized by Apex Industry Association, Autonomous Bodies and PSUs of Government of India with the objective of dissemination of information regarding food processing industries, familiarizing the existing and prospective entrepreneurs with modern techniques of production and packaging, development of markets and popularization of products.

The two Institutions under administrative control of this Ministry i.e. National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM) and Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT) are also conducting regular training programmes, outreach / awareness programmes on food processing for youth, farmers, self help groups and food industry, Courses on skill development of food industry personnel through which several farmers and budding entrepreneur are benefited. Ministry is also assisting Food Industry Capacity and Skill Initiative (FICSI), for skill development programs in food processing sector.