

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

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FOOD CLUSTERS
Noor Smt. Mausam

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to develop a food map to identify food clusters across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any study to identify such areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give special package for historically important food clusters such as mango harvesting and processing in West Bengal;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a): No, Madam. According to the information received from Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), they have set up common facility centres in 6 States for different products/items in Clusters under Micro & Small Enterprises - Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) of MSME. The details are at Annexure.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d) & (e): Do not arise.