## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features of the Mission;
- (c) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for the proper implementation of the said Mission during each of the last three years and the current year, State- wise; and
- (d) the actual benefits accrued to the farmers as a result of the implementation of the NMFP in the country?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) had launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) through State / UT Governments in the 12th Plan (2012-17). The following are the schemes of the mission:
- (i) Scheme for Technology Up-gradation / Establishment / Modernisation of Food Processing Industries.
- (ii) Scheme for Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure for Non- Horticultural Products.
- (iii) Scheme for setting up / modernisation / expansion of Abattoirs (to be implemented w.e.f. 2014-17).
- (iv) Scheme for Human Resource Development (HRD)
- (a) Creation of Infrastructure facilities for running Degree/Diploma/Certificate Courses in Food Processing Technology.
- (b) Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP)
- (c) Food Processing Training Centre (FPTC)
- (d) Training at recognised Institutes and sensitization-cum-awareness programme
- (v) Scheme for Promotional Activities
- a. Organizing Seminar/Workshops
- b. Conducting Studies/Surveys
- c. Support to Exhibitions/Fairs
- d. Advertisement & Publicity
- (vi) Scheme for Creating Primary Processing Centres / Collection Centres in Rural Areas.
- (vii) Modernisation of Meat Shops.
- (viii) Reefer Vehicles.

The salient features of Mission are that it is implemented in all the States in the ratio of 75:25 (Govt. of India: States) except for North-Eastern States, where the ratio would be 90:10 (Govt. of India: States). All the Union Territories (UTs) are funded by Government of India on 100% grant basis. All the State / UT Governments have been empowered under the Mission to receive the applications, sanction and release grant-in-aid to the eligible beneficiaries. State Governments have powers to decide location of projects and beneficiaries, to harness the potential of value addition by using locally grown raw material.

- (c): 32 States / UTs have started implementation of NMFP during 12th Plan. Three UTs namely Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu have informed that they are not interested to implement NMFP scheme as there is very little scope. Accordingly, they have not taken NMFP funds. A statement indicating State-wise allocation and release of funds to all States /UTs during 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 (as on 8.08.2014) under NMFP at Annexure-I.
- (d): Since the NMFP has been launched in 2012-13 as a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme, it is too early to assess State-wise benefits / success accrued under NMFP to entrepreneurs / farmers in such a short span of implementation. The above initiative may benefit number of entrepreneurs including farmers across all the States/UTs.