GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:332 ANSWERED ON:16.12.2014 SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN FPI Dubey Shri Nishikant

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched any scheme for human resource development/skill development in the food processing sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of food processing training centres set up and financial assistance sanctioned, released and utilized for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received any complaints with regard to misappropriation of funds in these centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SMT. HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL)

(a)to(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.332 FOR ANSWER ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2014 REGARDING SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN FPI

(a)&(b): During the 12th Plan, Ministry of Food Processing Industries had launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme - National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP). The Mission includes the scheme of Human Resource Development which aims at augmenting the supply of trained manpower for food processing sector at all levels such as entrepreneurs, managers and skilled workers. All States/ UT Governments have been empowered to receive new applications and sanction as well as release funds under the above scheme of National Mission on Food Processing.

There are two academic-cum-research institutions under the Ministry viz. National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM) at Kundli, Sonepat, Haryana and the Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT) at Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, which offer academic programmes at Bachelors, Masters and Ph.D. level in food processing. These institutes are also conducting short-term training in various areas of food processing.

- (c): The financial assistance sanctioned/ released State-wise in 12th Plan (2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15) under National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) for Food Processing Training Centres, is enclosed at Annexure-I.
- $(d) \& (e) : No, Madam. \ The \ Ministry \ has \ not \ received \ any \ complaint \ with \ regard \ to \ misappropriation \ of \ funds \ in \ the \ FPTCs.$