

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

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

- (a) the details of existing/developed agricultural parks in the country so far, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is a plan to develop agricultural parks in Karnataka; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Ministry of Food Processing Industries is not implementing any Scheme for development of Agricultural Parks in the country. However, it is implementing a Mega Food Parks Scheme for development of modern infrastructure for food processing sector in the country. A total of 42 Mega Food Parks have been approved by the Government for setting-up in the country. Out of these, 21 Mega Food Parks have been accorded final approval and are at various stages of implementation while, 4 projects are in the process of meeting the conditions of final approval. Details of these Mega Food Parks are at Annexure.

(b)& (c): The Ministry has already accorded Final Approval to a Mega Food Park in Karnataka at Tumkur which is nearing completion. Further, in response to the Expression of Interest (EoI)/proposal invited by the Ministry on 10.02.2014 to fill up the existing vacancies of Mega Food Parks, a total 72 proposals have been received for setting-up Mega Food Parks in various parts of the country including 3 proposals from Karnataka. These proposals are being appraised by the Ministry.