

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
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RENEWAL OF CONTEMPORARY TECHNOLOGY IN FPIs

5495. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR YADAV:

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

- (a) whether any initiatives have been taken by the Government for the renewal of contemporary technology in respect of Food Processing Industries (FPIs) and protection against climate change, fluctuations in price and demand including sustainable investment; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (b): The Government is implementing National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) which is the overarching policy framework for climate action in the country. In line with the NAPCC, many schemes and programs have been launched to scale up India's action on both, the adaptation and mitigation. Financial assistance is also provided by the Ministry to various institutions/research organization for R & D activities including for developing green/low carbon foot print technologies for food processing sector.

Besides supporting setting up of modern food processing infrastructure in the country through its schemes, the Ministry is undertaking price stabilization measures for perishable fruits and vegetables through financial support at the rate of 50% of expenses on transportation and storage for evacuation of surplus production crops from the producing area to the consumption centers during glut situations, under the Operation Greens scheme.

Further, regulatory and policy reforms have been undertaken to ensure conducive environment to the food processing investors, including those engaged in exports. These measures include shifting from product approval regime to an ingredient based approval system, putting in place an Empowered Group of Secretaries (EGoS) under the Cabinet Secretary and Project Development Cells in the Ministries; streamlining proposal approval and Grants disbursement process through on-line portal, etc.
