

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

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

- (a) the amount of expenditure incurred on Food Processing Industries in the first three years of Tenth Plan out of the earmarked fund;
- (b) whether any difficulties or constraints are being faced in the utilization of funds given by the Planning Commission;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the remedial steps being taken in regard thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHA)

(a) to (d): An amount of Rs. 217.21 crore was spent under different plan schemes as against the revised estimates of Rs. 225 crore allocated to the Ministry during first three years of the 10th Plan. Utilization of funds under the infrastructure scheme has been low due to non-receipt of complete and viable proposals. The matter has been examined and a proposal for liberalization of the infrastructure scheme worked out and submitted to the Planning Commission.