

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

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DRAFT POLICY ON FPI  
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**Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has prepared the draft policy on Food Processing Industries;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the said policy; and
- (c) the efforts made by the Government to implement this policy at an early date?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The draft National Food Processing Policy has been drawn up which broadly covers issues relating to availability of raw material, backward linkages, processing facilities including post-harvest infrastructure, packaging, food quality and safety, marketing of products domestic and exports, awareness about processed foods and fiscal incentives.

(c): Taking into consideration the various procedures to be followed including wide ranging consultations with various stakeholders, a specific time frame for the adoption and implementation of the Policy is difficult to envisage.