

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernize the food processing industries in the country, to make it a high technology sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the increased export target of processed foods would be achieved; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : Ministry of Food Processing Industries extends financial assistance for Technology Upgradation/Modernization/establishment of food processing units in the form of grant -in-aid to all implementing agencies @ 25% subject to maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas or 33.33% subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas of cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works.

(c) & (d): According to the export data upto July 2006, the target of Rs. 22538.18 crores is likely to be achieved.