

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

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FOOD RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed grant in aid to the Food Research Institute to be set up at Konni in Kerala; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Government of Kerala had initially forwarded a proposal on 04.11.2004 for setting up of Indigenous Food Research Institute on 100 acres campus at Konni in the State of Kerala at an estimated cost of Rs. 95.33 crores. Since the schemes of the Ministry of food Processing Industries do not have any provision for setting up of an institute, the Government of Kerala were advised on 22.02.2005 to revise the proposal and avail assistance under our Research & Development and HRD schemes. Government of Kerala has forwarded proposals for Development of Indigenous Food Park at Konni, setting up of Food Processing & Training Centre, setting up of Food Quality Monitoring Lab and organizing courses and infrastructure in College of Food Technology. Certain clarification/additional information have been sought in respect of the proposals.