

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

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GRANT- IN- AID TO NGOs
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to reduce grants-in- aid being provided to the NGOs in the Food Processing Sector;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the budgetary support earmarked under grants-in-aid to NGOs during the last three financial years; and
- (d) the grants sanctioned and actually provided to NGOs during the above period?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) has been implementing various plan schemes for promotion and development of food processing sector i.e. i) Scheme for Infrastructure Development with major components i.e. Mega Food Park, Cold Chain, Modernization of Abattoirs and Value Added Centres, ii) Setting up of Technology Upgradation/ Modernization/ Expansion of FPI, iii) Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards and R&D iv) Scheme for Human Resource Development, v) Scheme for Strengthening of Institution and vi) Scheme for Upgradation of Quality of Street Food. All implementing agencies engaged in setting up / expansion/ modernization of food processing industries covering all segments are eligible for financial assistance. The implementing agencies include Central / State Government organizations / PSUs / NGOs / Cooperative societies and private sector units and individuals. The funds are allocated scheme-wise. No separate funds are earmarked for NGOs.

(d): Ministry of Food Processing Industries has extended the financial assistance to the NGOs for development of food processing sector under its Plan Scheme of Human Resource Development in the form of grants-in-aid. The details of grant sanctioned to the NGOs during last three years are as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)
Year Financial assistance released

2007-08	128.21
2008-09	266.79
2009-10	383.04
(upto 31.03.2010)	