

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

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

- (a) whether the Government had set up a task force for food processing industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed to reconstitute the task force;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the time by which this task force is likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) to (c): An Infrastructure for promotion of Food Processing Industries at National, Zonal, Regional and State Level under the existing MFP's Plan Scheme of strengthening of Institution was approved by the Ministry from 2005-06. In pursuance thereof, Zonal Chairmen/ Regional Chairmen/ Vice Chairmen of State Task Force/Member of State Task Forces were nominated from time to time.

However, it has been decided to abolish the existing set up of Task Force at the State, Regional, Zonal and Central level w,e.f. 16.03.2011.

(d) & (e): At present, there is no proposal to re-constitute the Task Force for Food Processing Industries.