GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No- 907 ANSWERED ON- 22.12.2017

ACHIEVEMENT IN WORLD FOOD INDIA 2017 EVENT

907: SHRI SANJAY SETH:

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

(a) Whether Government organized a mega global food event – World Food India from 3rd to 5th November, 2017 in Delhi, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of Indian and foreign delegates that participated in the event along with the achievements made in the event;

(c) whether any programme of such kind had been organized in the country in the past, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken by Government to create environment for bringing higher returns for farmers, creating employment and fostering entrepreneurship ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Food Processing Industries had organized "World Food India 2017" during 3-5 Nov 2017 in New Delhi for the first time. The event attracted great support and participation of 61 countries, 27 States of India and 60 global CEOs among others. There were closed to 800 global and domestic exhibitors and around 75000 business visitors. Investment intent of about USD 13.56 billion were received during the event.

(d): The other steps include the recently launched Central Sector Scheme PRADHAN MANTRI KISAN SAMPADA YOJANA (PMKSY) by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries. PMKSY is an umbrella scheme for overall development of the food processing sector. PMKSY encompasses three new schemes viz; (i) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters; (ii) Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages and (iii) Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities and four on-going schemes viz; (i) Mega Food Parks; (ii) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure; (iii) Food Safety and Quality Assurance Infrastructure; and (iv) Human Resources and Institutions.