GOVERNMENTOF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

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FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR CONTRIBUTION IN GDP

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

- (a). whether the contribution of food processing sector has increased in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the last few years;
- (b). if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the current year; and
- (c). whether any target has been set for the said sector for creating employment opportunities and increasing its contribution in GDP?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a). Yes Sir.
- (b). The Gross Value Addition (GVA) in food processing sector has increased from Rs. 1.79 lakh crore in 2016-17 to Rs.2.37 lakh crore in 2020-21 at a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 7.27 %. The GVA for the last three years and recent year 2020-21 were as under:

(Rs. in lakh crore)

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Gross Value Added	1.93	2.36	2.26	2.37

(c). No target is set for the food processing sector for creating employment opportunities and increasing its contribution in GDP. However, the food processing sector contributes 12.2% of employment in the registered manufacturing sector. Various schemes and policy initiatives being implemented by the Ministry results in increased contribution of the sector to India's GVA. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries implements the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) which inter—alia aims at creation of modern post-harvest infrastructure, boosting value addition, providing better returns to farmers, creation of employment opportunities etc. In addition, the Ministry is also implementing the PM-Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme for providing financial, technical and business support for setting up/upgradation of two lakh micro food processing enterprises across the country. A new Production Linked Incentive scheme (PLIS) for Food Processing Sector is being implemented to support creation of global food manufacturing champions. This scheme will also create more employment opportunities and higher exports for the sector.