

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1555**  
ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020  
  
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

**1555. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:**

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

- (a) whether the funds allocated for research and development in Food Processing Sector has come down during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the status of implementation of research and development in this sector during the last three years; and
- (d) the details of targets set and achieved in this regard during this period?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a). No Sir.

(b). The budget allocation for Research and Development scheme implemented by the Ministry for the last three financial years is as under:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Budget allocation (Rs. In Crore)</b>
2017-18	3.50
2018-19	8.45
2019-20	8.77

(c) & (d). This Ministry is implementing Research and Development Scheme which is a part of Human Resource & Institutions Scheme under the umbrella scheme of the Ministry i.e. Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY). The scheme is being implemented with an allocation of Rs. 50 crores to meet the committed liability of on-going projects and taking up of new projects for the period coterminous with the Fourteenth Finance Commission. Under the scheme, Ministry has approved 57 Research and Development projects since 2017-18 with approved grant-in-aid of Rs. 21.20 crores.

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