## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 706 ANSWERED ON 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2016

## SUBSIDY FOR PROCESSING OIL PALM

706. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide subsidy to establish processing units of oil palm products; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, for the purpose of promotion of all food processing industries in the country including all edible oil processing units, Ministry of Food processing industries had been implementing two schemes namely- Scheme for Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries up to 31.03.2012 and National Mission on Food Processing (NMFP) from 01.04.2012 till 31.03.2015. Whereafter, it got delinked from Government of India's assistance and it was left to the State Governments to decide on its continuance from its increased resource as per recommendation of 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission. However, in case of UT Governments, the above scheme has not been delinked from the Central Government support.

Under the above schemes, financial assistance was provided in the form of Grant- in- aid to various target groups in eleven sectors viz. Consumer Foods, Bakery, Dairy, Fish, Flour, Fruits And Vegetables Processing, Meat, Oil, Pulse, Rice and Wine and Beer for the purpose of doing the processing/ value addition / shelf life enhancement of several agricultural and horticultural produce. All edible oil processing units including oil palm processing industries were covered under oil milling sector. The committed pending liabilities under the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries of 11<sup>th</sup> Plan period are still being considered for sanction and assistance. Under the scheme 299 units were assisted under Oil Milling Sector during the last three years and current year.

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