

envisages financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @ 50% of the total cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works in general areas and 75% for North Eastern Region and difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 10.00 Crore.

In order to enhance investment flow in the sector, Government has taken several fiscal incentive measures over last 5 years which has resulted in FDI inflow of over Rs. 1208.09 Crore in 2009-10. Fiscal incentive has also lead to export growth of processed food from Rs. 21805 Crore in 2006-07 to Rs. 36294 Crore in 2008-09. Ministry is implementing comprehensive schemes for Human Resource Development which implements programmes like Food Processing Training Centre (FPTC) and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) which contributes in the job creations. Ministry is also implementing comprehensive schemes like Quality Assurances, CODEX, R&D and Strengthening of Institution for overall development of food processing sector.

Financial Crunch in Prasar Bharati

4063. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Prasar Bharati, especially, the All India Radio, is facing financial crunch and it is not in a position to pay honorarium and salaries to the workers and staff in time;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken to solve the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Promotional avenues for TVNCs

4064. SHRI ALI ANWAR ANSARI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to Starred Question 342 given in the Rajya Sabha on 14th December, 2009 and state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that TVNCs appointed in 1988 were regularized and in the said regularization order it was stated that they would be governed by general CCS Rules;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that though Recruitment Rules (RRs) and promotional policy are part of CCS Rules but no promotional avenues was created though the Ministry gave an undertaking