

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
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KISAN RAIL SERVICE SUBSIDY PAYMENT

3473. SHRI ABIR RANJAN BISWAS:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Kisan Rail Service subsidy in Financial Year 2021-22 was more than two times the maximum amount fixed under the initiative of the Ministry;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry has cleared all the dues of Railways for Financial Year 2021-22;
- (c) if so, the amount paid and if not, the actual amount asked by the Railways; and
- (d) the ceiling limit set for Financial Year 2022-23 for the Kisan Rail Service?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry has been implementing a central sector scheme of Operation Greens under umbrella scheme of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana. Under Operation Greens Scheme, freight subsidy @ 50% is provided for transportation of fruits and vegetables through Kisan Rail Service.

During the Financial Year 2021-22, Railways has disbursed total subsidy of Rs.111.18 crore till 28.02.2022 and the Ministry has reimbursed total subsidy of Rs.50 crore to Railways till 28.03.2022 as per the annual ceiling fixed for this.

(d) No ceiling has been set for Financial Year 2022-23 for transportation subsidy to be provided through Kisan Rail Service.
