1. **Scheme No. :** 8(4)
2. **Name of the scheme :** Strengthening of Nodal Agency of FPI in the Directorate of Commerce & Industries, Manipur.

3. **Objectives :** The objective of the schemes are:-
   i. To enhance the production of processed food products.
   ii. To give awareness to the food producers and public through seminars, workshops, demonstrations and advertising etc.
   iii. To train the entrepreneurs to increase their skillness & know how of the modern technology.
   iv. To enhance the production of value added and quality controlled food products.
   v. To set up FPI units through individuals/NGOs/Societies etc.
   vi. To do all possible works relating to the development of Food Processing Industries.

The Directorate of Commerce & Industries, Manipur is functioning as State Nodal Agency of the Food Processing Industries since 1991. So, the Strengthening of the State Nodal Agency of Food Processing Industries is highly required. It is, therefore, proposed to develop infrastructural facilities of the State Nodal Agency by constructing a separate office for computer room, Data compiler, library, entrepreneurs conference hall etc. Further, the Directorate of Commerce & Industries being the Nodal Agency, covering the whole state, a light vehicle is also highly essential for movement of officials throughout the state when necessary. The amount proposed is Rs.10.00 lakh during the year 2006-07. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries is providing assistance for strengthening of SNA for purchase of Computer & other electronic items and also for appointment of Data Compilers on contract basis to the tune of Rs.10.00 lakh every five years.

The Government of Manipur appointed the Directorate of Commerce and Industries, Manipur as the Nodal Agency of Food Processing Industries and the Director of Commerce and Industries as Nodal Officer for development of Food Processing Industries in the State for co-coordinating various schemes/programmes under the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Govt. of India. Since 1993-94, this Directorate has been implementing a number of schemes with the assistance of the said Ministry and good achievements have been made. Some of the schemes which are undergoing with the assistance of Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India are mentioned below:-

i) Modernisation of Huller Rice Mills: 1000 Huller Rice Mills have been modernised till 2000-01 with grant-in-aid of Rs. 170 lakh from the Government of India.

ii) Food Processing Training Centre : One Food Processing Training Centre is established at Porompat, Imphal.

iii) Regional Extension Service Centre (Rice Milling):- One Regional Extension Service Centre for service and training centre of rice milling is established at Porompat, Imphal.

iv) Demonstration Unit for Rice Milling: - 10 Demonstration Units for rice milling in all districts of Manipur were established.
v) Seminar on development of Food Processing Industries in Manipur :- A seminar was held on 23-25 June, 1994.

vi) Seminar on development of Rice Milling Industry in Manipur:- A seminar was held on 27th June, 1995.

vii) Strengthening of Nodal Agency of Food Processing Industries: The Agency has been strengthened with computer, xerox and data compilers.

viii) Organised a Workshop on modalities for setting up of a Food Park at Nilakuthi on 13-04-2005.

x). Inaugurated the Food Processing Training Hall, at Porompat on 30-04-2005.


xiii). Project on Food Parks, Agri-Export Zone, other FPI units set up of individuals, NGOs/Societies.

xiv). Implementation of schemes of the Ministry.

Source of fund: Budgetary support

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