GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2878** ANSWERED ON- 24/03/2023

WAIVING OFF DUTY ON IMPORT OF RAW COTTON

2878. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

whether Government is considering to waive off duty on import of raw cotton and impose high duties on import of yarn to save reeling textile industry in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

There is no such proposal. India is a cotton surplus country and during the current cotton season, as per estimate of the Committee on Cotton Production and Consumption (COCPC) during its meeting held on 20.02.2023, cotton production is likely to be 337.23 lakh bales as against estimated consumption of 311 lakh bales. Thus, there is adequate availability of cotton domestically to meet the requirement of domestic textile industry.
