

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3510
ANSWERED ON- 31/03/2023

SHUTTING OF POWERLOOMS IN TIRUPPUR AND COIMBATORE DISTRICTS

3510. SHRI P. WILSON:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Ministry has done anything to revive around 1,75,000 powerlooms, which are the highest number installed anywhere in the country, in Tiruppur and Coimbatore districts which have remained shut;
- (b) whether the Ministry has looked into unstable cotton yarn price which is due to the drop in arrival of fresh cotton in the market and why Manufacturers have stopped supplying warp yarn which is a key ingredient for weaving textile products; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a): For holistic development of powerloom sector in the country, the Government had launched PowerTex India on an all India basis including the state of Tamil Nadu. Under the Scheme, following projects were undertaken in Tamil Nadu:- (i) 97,723 looms were upgraded under Insitu Upgradation of Plain Powerloom, (ii) 3 projects under Group Workshed Scheme, (iii) 14 projects under Yarn Bank Scheme, (iv) 1 project under Common Facility Centre and (v) one project under Tex Venture Fund.

The Government has not received any report of shutting down of 1,75,000 Powerlooms in the Tiruppur and Coimbatore districts.

(b) & (c): Demand and supply of various cotton yarn is driven by market forces which are linked to various factors including domestic and global business scenario in textile value chain. The cotton scenario including the arrival of fresh cotton in the market and cotton yarn price is regularly reviewed through a committee of Cotton Production and Consumption (COCPC) comprising Stakeholders from Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, cotton producing states, Trade and Industry.
