GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-800

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BHARAT TEX-2024

800. SHRI MITHLESH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives and expected outcomes of the Textile Expo, Bharat TEX- 2024;
- (b) the details of the expected benefits for Indian textile industry from the Textile Expo, Bharat TEX- 2024;
- (c) whether Government has conducted any study or assessment to ascertain the currently best global practices of the textile industry;
- (d) if so, the details of the findings of such an assessment, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of green initiatives introduced or proposed to be introduced in the textile supply chain?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): BHARAT TEX 2024 is a global textile mega event being organised by a consortium of 11 Textile Export Promotion Councils and supported by the Ministry of Textiles. It is scheduled from February 26-29, 2024 in New Delhi. With a focus on sustainability and resilient supply chains, it promises to be a tapestry of tradition and technology attracting the best and the brightest from the textile world. It will have dedicated pavilions on Sustainability and Recycling, thematic discussions on resilient global supply chains and digitisation, interactive fabric testing zones, product demonstrations and master-classes by crafts persons and events involving global brands and international designers. Bharat Tex 2024 will be a unique experience for knowledge, business and networking. The mega event will feature an exhibition spread across nearly 20 lakh sq. ft area showcasing Apparel, Home Furnishings, Floor Coverings, Fibres, Yarns, Threads, Fabrics, Carpets, Silk, Textiles based Handicrafts, Technical Textiles and much more. It will also feature nearly 50 different knowledge sessions providing an excellent platform for knowledge exchange, information dissemination and Government to Government and Business to Business interactions.

- (c) & (d): Studies are conducted from time to time to assess / ascertain various critical issues impacting the textile value chain including global best practices in the area. One such assessment was done by a Technical Committee chaired by Member NITI Aayog, on Technical Textiles. In its report, taking clue from the best global practices, the committee brought out a detailed roadmap on the technology and research activities in the field of technical textiles. Thereafter, after due consultation with stakeholders, National Technical Textiles Mission(NTTM) was formulated with focus on research and innovation and indigenous development of specialty fibres; promoting awareness amongst users; enhancing India's exports of technical textiles; and creating human resources with requisite skills.
- (e): With a view to support green initiatives in the textile supply chain, the Ministry is implementing Integrated Processing Development Scheme (IPDS) since 2013 onwards, to facilitate the textile industry to meet the required environmental and social standards in the area of waste water and effluent management. The scheme supports Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETP) in processing clusters. So far, 6 projects have been approved by the Ministry under this scheme.

Apart from this, an Environment Social Governance Tasks Force has been constituted by the Ministry of Textiles to provide a platform to various stakeholders of the textile and apparel industry for discussing the current status on sustainability issues and issues in transitioning the textile industry to a sustainable and resource-efficient production system.
