GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-633

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REVIVAL OF PUNJAB'S TEXTILE INDUSTRY

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the plummeting textile exports from Punjab and the challenges faced by the local industry;
- (b) the steps taken by Government to support and revive Punjab's textile sector, especially in light of global competition and high input costs;
- (c) whether Government is considering any special packages or schemes to boost textile exports from Punjab;
- (d) the action plan by Government to address the rising challenges faced by textile manufacturers in Punjab; and
- (e) the details of action plan by Government for enhancing the competitiveness of the Punjab textile industry?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): Details of textile exports from Punjab during last 2 years are as under:

(Value in Rs Crore)

Textile & Apparel Including Handicrafts		
	FY: 2022-23	FY: 2023-24
Punjab Export	12,043.2	12,421.3

Source: DGCIS, Provisional Data (Rounded Off)

Textile exports from Punjab were to the extent of Rs.12,421.3 Cr. in FY 2023-24 registering a growth of around 3% from FY 2022-23.

(b) to (e): In order to boost export of textiles products, Government is implementing the Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) scheme for exports of Apparel/Garments and Made-ups to provide support and enhance competitiveness of these sectors for all states' exporters including Punjab. Further, textiles products not covered under the RoSCTL are covered under Remissions of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) along with other products. In addition, Government provides financial support to various Export Promotion Councils and Trade Bodies under Market Access Initiative Scheme implemented by Department of Commerce for organising and participating in trade fairs, exhibitions, buyer-seller meets etc at national and international levels.

Additionally, Government is implementing various schemes/initiatives to promote Indian textiles in the country including Punjab. Major schemes/initiatives include SITP, three projects viz: Lotus Integrated Tex Park, Rhythm Textile & Apparel Park Ltd and Ludhiana Integrated Textile Park Ltd were sanctioned in Punjab; Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme focusing on MMF Fabric, MMF Apparel and Technical Textiles to boost large scale manufacturing and enhancing competitiveness; National Technical Textiles Mission focusing on Research Innovation & Development, Promotion and Market Development; Silk Samagra-2 for comprehensive development of sericulture value chain; National Handloom Development Program for end to end support for handloom sector. Ministry of Textiles is also implementing National Handicrafts Development Programme and Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme for promotion of handicrafts.

Ministry of Textiles is also implementing (Samarth) - Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector (SCBTS), with the objective to provide demand driven, placement oriented National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes. Further, approximately 900 beneficiaries have been trained under Samarth Scheme from Punjab.
