LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.309 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.11.2016

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN TEXTILE SECTOR

309. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is focusing on increasing Research and Development activities in the Textile sector:
- (b) if so, the details of amount allocated in the last budget for the same along with amount spent in the past one year;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated to the textile research associations and other entities involved in research; and
- (d) the amount of funds specifically spent on research and development of jute products during each of the last three years and the current year?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़्बिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c): During the last budget, an amount of Rs. 25 crore has been allocated under the "Scheme for Research and Development for Textile Industry including Jute". Under the said scheme, an amount of Rs. 13.83 crore was spent during the Financial Year 2015-16, out of which Rs. 11.89 crore was released to Textile Research Associations and Rs. 1.94 crore to the Textile Committee. During the Financial Year 2016-17, an amount of Rs 4.75 crore has been spent till date, out of which Rs. 2.81 crore was released to Textile Research Associations and Rs. 1.94 crore to the Textile Committee.
- (d): The amount of the funds specifically spent on research and development of jute products during each of the last three years and the current year are as under:

| Year | Funds spent(in crore) |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 2013-14 | Rs 0.47 |
| 2014-15 | Nil |
| 2015-16 | Rs.2.25 |
| 2016-17(till date) | Rs.0.92 |
| Total | Rs. 3.64 |