LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4684 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2016

MODERNISATION OF TEXTILE MILLS

4684. SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise powerlooms and textile mills in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the specific action plan formulated for the said purpose;
- (c) the amount likely to be incurred under the said plan during the current five year plan;
- (d) the head-wise amount incurred for the modernisation of powerlooms and textile mills during each of the last three years;
- (e) whether any foreign assistance has been provided for modernisation of these units; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी) MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Textiles has launched 'Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) with effect from 13.01.2016 for a period of seven years till 2021-22. Under ATUFS, there is a provision of one time capital subsidy for eligible benchmarked machinery i.e. at the rate of 15% for garmenting and technical textiles segments with a cap of Rs. 30 crore and at the rate of 10% for weaving, processing, jute, silk and handloom segments with a cap of Rs. 20 crore. A budget allocation of Rs. 17,822 crore has been approved for seven years to meet the committed liabilities of Rs. 12,671 crore and Rs. 5151 crore for new cases under ATUFS.

In addition, under the In-Situ Upgradation Scheme of Plain Powerloom for SSI Powerloom Sector, financial assistance is provided to the extent of 50%,75% and 90% of the cost of Upgradation subject to a maximum subsidy of Rs. 40,000/-, Rs.60,000/- and Rs.72,000/- per loom for General, SC and ST category applicants respectively.

Apart from the above, National Textiles Corporation (NTC) has modernized 18 mills, set up 3 green field mills and partially modernized 2 mills. NTC has so far, spent Rs. 1605.26 crores on modernization of its mills.

(d): The amount released under TUFS for modernization of textile units including powerloom and In-Situ Upgradation Scheme of Plain Powerloom is as given below:-

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Amount released by MoT unde TUFS	Amount released by MoT under In-Situ Upgradation Scheme
2013-14	1730.00	-
2014-15	1884.31	9.98
2015-16	1393.19	59.185
2016-17 (till 09.12.2016)	1746.62	45.914

- (e): No, Madam.
- **(f):** Does not arise.
