

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1622
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2017

TOUGH SITUATION IN TEXTILE SECTOR

1622. SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the main reason for the tough situation in textile sector is the non availability of adequate cotton bales and their higher production cost;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by the Government to solve this issue;
- (c) whether only a small number of textile companies could afford to withstand the pressures of various issues faced by the textile sector in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken by the Government to support and develop sick companies in various textile clusters in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) the total amount allocated by the Union Government to Tamil Nadu for various schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, cluster-wise?

उत्तर

ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)
MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a)&(b): The assessment made by Cotton Advisory Board on cotton production, import, export and overall supply and demand position for the previous cotton season 2016-17 (October - September) and current cotton season 2017-18 (October-September) is as under:-

(in lakh bales of 170 Kg each)

Particulars	2016-17 (P) *	2017-18 (P) *
SUPPLY		
Opening Stock	36.44	47.81
Crop	345.00	377.00
Import	30.94	17.00
TOTAL SUPPLY	412.38	441.81
DEMAND		
Mill Consumption	262.66	288.00
S.S.I Consumption	26.20	27.00
Non Textile Consumption	17.50	19.00
Export	58.21	67.00
TOTAL DEMAND	364.57	401.00
<i>Closing Stock</i>	<i>47.81</i>	<i>40.81</i>

P – Provisional

It could be seen from the above that sufficient cotton is available to meet the requirement of domestic textile industry. Regarding higher production cost in the textile industry, the information on cotton prices shows that in comparison to the previous year, average prices have decreased by 2 to 4.8 percent for the various cotton varieties.

(c)&(d): Government supports the industry to withstand the competition by way of various new Schemes viz., Amended Technology Upgradation Fund, Technology Mission on Technical Textiles, Scheme for Integrated Textile Park, Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector, Scheme for Integrated Textile Processing Development, PowerTex India-Comprehensive Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development, Special package for Garment and Made-ups, Enhancing scope of Section 80JJAA of Income Tax Act, Rebate of State Levies Scheme, various export promotion schemes like Market Access Initiative Scheme, Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) which enable them to become competitive by way of technology upgradation, market access etc.

(e): There is no State-wise allocation of funds under the schemes. However, the details of amount released by the Union Government to Tamil Nadu under various textile sector schemes during the last three years and current year is enclosed at annexure.

Funds Released to Tamil Nadu State

(Rs. in crore)

Sl.No.	Schemes	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	Handloom Sector				
i)	National Handloom Development Programme	7.33	47.33	27.66	15.40
ii)	Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme		1.94	1.94	0.52
iii)	Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme	2.32	7.43	7.66	4.74
2	Centrally Sponsored Catalytic Development Programme (CDP) and Integrated Scheme for Development of Silk Industry	14.08	4.91	9.49	5.27
3	Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme	278.67	164.90	203.33	12.21
4	Scheme for Integrated Textile Park	2.00	-	2.50	-
5	Powerloom Sector				
i)	In Situ Upgradation for Plain Powerloom	7.32	40.525	47.988	28.825
ii)	Group Workshed Scheme	-	0.21	-	-
iii)	Yarn Bank Scheme	0.70	2.32	4.73	1.00
iv)	Common Facility Centre Scheme	-	-	0.36	-
v)	Buyer Seller Meet	0.41	0.30	0.48	0.25
vi)	Seminar/ Workshop	0.05	0.02	0.065	0.069
vii)	Exposure Visit	0.045	0.03	0.078	0.076
viii)	GIS	0.89	0.87	-	-
6	Technology Mission on Technical Textiles	5.612	5.46	-	-
7	Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS)	-	4.22	4.12	-
	Total	319.427	280.465	310.401	68.36
