CLOSURE OF TEXTILES UNITS

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether the closing of 67 textile units between financial year 2015 and financial year 2017 has led to the loss of 17,600 jobs in textile sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the number of textile units which were closed during this period and the number of people rendered unemployed; and

(c) the specific steps taken by the Government to provide interim assistance to the persons rendered unemployed due to the closure of textile units during the above mentioned period, State-wise?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) & (b): The details of closure of cotton and man-made fibre textile mills (Non-SSI) are given below:-

Year	Number of mills closed	Number of workers on the rolls
2014-15	21	5384
2015-16	27	7938
2016-17	19	4356

Employment in the textile industry is mostly in the decentralised sectors viz. powerloom, handloom and ready-made garments etc. Details of variations in employment in the textile sector are not compiled.

(c) The Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) was introduced with effect from 15.09.1986 to provide interim relief to the workers rendered jobless due to permanent closure of Non-SSI Textile Mills. With effect from 01.04.2017 the scheme has been merged with Rajiv Gandhi

Shramik Kalyan Yojana of Ministry of Labour & Employment. Financial relief is given under the scheme to eligible workers for the purpose of enabling them to settle in another employment. Details of state-wise funds disbursed since inception and number of workers benefitted under TWRFS are given below:-

Name of State	No. of Mills	No. of workers paid	Amount disbursed * (Rs. in lakhs)
Gujarat	43	63719	15995.65
Maharashtra	6	8087	2395.23
Madhya Pradesh	6	20961	6094.11
Tamil Nadu	7	5886	1179.18
Kerala	1	437	247
Karnataka	11	6175	2242.73
Andhra Pradesh	11	3330	1337.60
Telangana	1	162	58.35
Delhi	1	5170	1193
West Bengal	3	2042	533.49
Punjab	5	3149	1206.89
Uttar Pradesh	1	1003	214.58
TOTAL	**96**	**120121**	**32697.81**

* As on 31.01.2018

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