

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3708
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9-8-2018

COTTON BALES

3708. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

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

- (a) whether the country has signed an agreement with China for 5,000 bales of cotton from Indian traders for the new season;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also announced an additional quota for 48 lakh bales, which it may begin procuring from July 1, 2018; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Export of Cotton at present is under Open General License. There is no quantitative restriction on export of cotton. From October, 2017 to April, 2018, the total amount of cotton exported from India was 51.21 lakh bales, out of which 4.64 lakh bales have been exported to China. Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) has estimated that during the current cotton season 2017-18 (October, 2017 to September, 2018), the total export of cotton from India is likely to increase by about 20%.
