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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3747  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2019

“IMPACT OF AUTOMATION”

3747. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the threat to jobs in the textile sector as a result of automation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government towards skill development in the textile sector to keep up with the technological changes?

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ANSWER

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

**(a) to (c):** No Madam, no such systematic study has been undertaken to assess the impact of automation on employment. However, Government has introduced various focussed interventions to protect the jobs in the labour intensive industry of textiles and to create new employment opportunities. Some of these interventions are technology upgradation schemes, yarn supply schemes to ensure availability of raw material on reasonable price, customized MUDRA platform to facilitate easy access to credit for weavers and artisans, market support, direct marketing platform through e commerce, export promotion schemes and skill development programmes to enable the youth to benefit from the emerging opportunities in the job market.

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