LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3344 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.7.2019

EMPLOYMENT GENERATION IN TEXTILE SECTOR

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

- (a) whether any target has been set to provide employment in the textiles industry in the next three years, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has chalked out any plan to ensure availability of skilled human resources to meet the requirement of employment creation in textiles industry in the future, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the existing resources will meet the requirement of human resources in the textile industry in the country; and
- (d) if not, the detailed reaction of the Government thereto?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): Government has taken a number of steps for promotion of investment, production and employment in the textile sector which inter-alia include the following:-
 - (i)Government has launched a special package of Rs.6000 crore in 2016 to boost investment, employment generation of around 1.11 crore jobs and exports in the garmenting and made-ups sector with the following components viz., (i) full refund is provided under Remission of State Levies (ROSL) to the exporters for the State level taxes; (ii) production linked additional incentive of 10% is provided under the Amended Technology Up-gradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS); and (iii) full employer's contribution (12%) of the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) is provided under the Pradhan Mantri Paridhan Rozgar Protsahan Yojana (PMPRPY) for a period of three years w.e.f 1st April,2018 to employees of garment industry who are earning less than Rs. 15,000 per month for all sectors including T&A sector.
 - (ii) Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme is being implemented to upgrade technology/machinaries of textile industry with an outlay of Rs.17,822 crore during 2016-2022 which will attract investment of Rs.1 lakh crore and generate 35.62 lakh employment in the textile sector by 2022.

- (iii) Under the Scheme of Integrated Textile Park (SITP), Government provides 40% subsidy with a ceiling of Rs.40 crore to set up Textile Parks for infrastructure creation and employment generation.
- (iv) A separate scheme for development of Knitting and knitwear has been launched recently to boost production in knitting and knitwear clusters which provide employment to nearly 24 lakh persons.
 - (v) As a part of Government's focus on skill development and employment generation in the textile sector, Government is implementing the 'Samarth Scheme for Capacity Building', to train 10 lakh youth for a period of three years from 2017-18 to 2019-20, at an estimated cost of Rs.1300 crore. The scheme aimed at providing demand driven, placement oriented National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes to incentivize and supplement the efforts of the industry in creating jobs in the organized and related sectors and to provide skilling and skill-upgradation in the traditional sector. The scheme covers handloom, handicraft, jute, silk, technical textile, apparel, garmenting, textile processing and fashion segments. State Governments and the sectoral organisations including Textile Industry and Industry Associations are partnered in taking this programme forward.
- (c) & (d): Apart from the aforesaid programmes, Government has been implementing various schemes for promoting investment, production, employment generation and for boosting exports in the textile sector. These include Amended Technology Upgradation Funds Scheme (ATUFS); PowerTex India Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development, Silk Samagra- the integrated silk development scheme, Integrated Processing Development Scheme (IPDS), North Eastern Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS), Incentive Scheme for Acquisition of Plants and Machinery (ISAPM) for Jute Industry and Jute Diversified Products Manufacturing Units etc.
