211. MS. NUSSRAT JAHAN:

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

(a) the number of the mills of the National Textiles Corporation in the country including West Bengal along with the number of them functioning at present;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to reopen the mills which are not functioning; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती दरशना जर्दोश)
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a): There are 90 mills under National Textile Corporation Ltd. (NTC) including five mills in West Bengal. At present, NTC has 23 working mills including one in West Bengal.

(b) & (c): Production activity in NTC working mills were suspended due to Covid-19 pandemic and nationwide lockdown imposed by the various State Governments from March, 2020. Normal operations were resumed in some of the NTC mills from January, 2021 but could not be continued due to unavailability of working capital and other financial constraints. In light of the continued poor economic viability of NTC mills, Ministry of Textiles is preparing an action plan for a way forward in the matter in consultation with NITI Aayog and Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Finance.