

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2491
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023

STAPLE COTTON

2491. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the productivity of extra-long staple cotton, and to adopt a cluster-based and value chain approach through Public Private Partnerships (PPP) to bring collaboration between farmers, State and industry for input supplies, extension services and market linkages; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and progress made till date?

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ANSWER

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

(a): In the Budget (2023-24), it has been announced that the Government will adopt a cluster-based and value chain approach in Public Private Partnership (PPP) model by bringing Farmers, States, Industry and Input suppliers on one platform to enhance yield of Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton.

(b): Cotton development programme is being implemented by Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in 15 states since 2014-15 to enhance production & productivity including extra long staple (ELS) cotton. The scheme provides support to the farmers for the transfer of technology through demonstrations & training. Further, a special project on cotton is under consideration for implementation through ICAR-Central Institute of Cotton Research (CICR), Nagpur under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in identified clusters through value chain approach by collaboration between farmers, ICAR, states, seed associations and industry to increase productivity of cotton and production of ELS cotton in ensuing cotton season.
