

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5296
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIES

5296. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance to jute industries in order to enable them to compete in the global market, if so, the details thereof including in North and South Dinajpur Districts of West Bengal;
- (b) the mechanism proposed by the Government to ensure that jute farmers get the maximum prices of their produce in view of the surplus jute production in the country; and
- (c) the other steps including schemes formulated by the Government to promote jute industry?

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

- (a): Under National Jute Development Program, schemes namely Market Development & Promotion Scheme and Production Linked Incentive scheme are implemented throughout the country including West Bengal to provide financial assistance/incentives to entrepreneurs and exporters to facilitate them for competing in the global market.
- (b): Jute Corporation of India Limited has the mandate to conduct Minimum Support Price (MSP) operation of raw jute in the event of ruling market price of raw jute falls below the declared MSP. By this way, the Government protects the interest of jute farmers from distress sale of their produce below cost of production.
- (c): The Central Government has launched National Jute Development Program for implementation during FY 2021-22 to 2025-26 for overall development and promotion of jute sector including cultivation and industry. Further, under Jute Packaging Material (Compulsory Use in Packing Commodities) Act, 1987, the Government has kept reservation for 100% food grains and 20% sugar for packaging in jute material. Under the provisions of the JPM Act, 1987, the Government procures around 70% of the total production of jute goods which supports the jute industry immensely.
