

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3330
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

TEXTILE AND APPAREL SECTOR

3330. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:

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

- (a) whether the textile sector is going through the tough time;
- (b) if so, the details along with its reasons therefor;
- (c) the area-wise and year-wise details of the segments which performed well under textile and apparel sector during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether the exports of textile and apparel affected due to Covid-19;
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to save the textile industry during this period; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to improve the situation of these industries to tackle its challenges and to promote export?

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ANSWER
वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती दर्शना जरदोश)
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
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(a) to (c): All sectors including the textile sector were affected due to COVID-19 pandemic on account of lockdown, disruption in movement of goods & services etc. However, the sector has shown recovery and exports of major textiles items viz. Fibre, Yarn, Fabrics, RMG, Madeups & other textile has increased by 15%, growing from US\$ 30,904 million in FY 2020-21 to US\$ 35,667 million in FY 2022-23.

(d) to (f): The Government has taken various initiatives/measures to boost exports of textiles products by implementing scheme of Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) on exports of Apparel/Garments and Made-ups. In addition, textiles products not covered under the RoSCTL are covered under Remissions of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products along with other products. Government also provides financial support to various Export Promotion Councils and Trade Bodies engaged in promotion of textiles and garments exports, for organising and participating in trade fairs, exhibitions, buyer-seller meets etc. Further, India has so far signed 13 Free Trade Agreements including recently concluded agreement with UAE and Australia; and 6 Preferential Trade Agreements with various trading partners.

The Government is implementing various schemes for the development of textile sector to enable it to overcome challenges faced especially in the wake of COVID – 19 pandemic which include Prime Minister Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA), Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme, SAMARTH- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector, Silk Samagra 2, National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), Raw Material Supply Scheme, National Handicraft Development Programme and National Technical Textile Mission.
