LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3379 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

DECLINE IN TEXTILE EXPORTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the reasons behind the recent decline in textile exports from India:
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to address these issues and revive the textile export sector;
- (c) the details of the measures being considered to boost competitiveness and encourage more exports; and
- (d) the details of the steps the Government has taken to promote skill development, technological upgradation and market diversification to revitalize the textile export sector and enable it to compete effectively on the global stage?

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

(a) to (c): Yes sir. Government is implementing various schemes to extend end-to-end support to textile sector viz, Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA), SAMARTH (Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector), Silk Samagra, National Handloom Development Programme, National Handicraft Development Programme, Integrated Wool Development Programme (IWDP), National Technical Textile Mission (NTTM), Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) etc. Further, Government is promoting production of MMF Apparel, MMF Fabrics and Products of Technical Textiles in the country through Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles.

In order to increase the export potential, India has so far signed 13 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) including recently concluded agreement with UAE and Australia; and 6 Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) with various trading partners. In order to boost export of textiles products, Government extended scheme of Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) on exports of Apparel/Garments and Made-ups. Further, textiles products not covered under the RoSCTL are covered under Remissions of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) along with other products.

(d): Ministry of Textiles is implementing (Samarth) - Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector (SCBTS), with the objective to provide demand driven, placement oriented National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes to incentivize and supplement the efforts of the textile industry in creating jobs in the organised textile (excluding spinning & weaving) and related sectors and to provide skilling and skill-upgradation in the traditional textile sectors. 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.
