LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3366 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2020

JUTE DEVELOPMENT FUND

3366. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government had set up a Special Jute Development (SJD) Fund for the revival and integrated development of the Jute Industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the amount released from the SJD fund to the Jute Corporation of India for disbursement of subsidy to State level cooperative procurement agencies was lying unutilized;

(d) if so, the quantum thereof during the last two years; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to utilize the unutilized fund?

उत्तर ANSWER वस्त्र मंत्री (**श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी**) MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. Government of India had set up a Special Jute Development (SJD)Fund for all round development of jute sector.

(c) to (e): Jute Corporation of India (JCI) Limited had received Rs. 2.00 crores under SJD Fund out of which Rs. 83.44 lakhs were disbursed and the remaining fund was refunded to Government of India as State Apex Cooperative Societies did not approach JCI for disbursement of subsidy.
