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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3420  
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COLLABORATION WITH MINISTRY

3420. SHRIMATI RITA BAHUGUNA JOSHI:

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

(a) the steps taken by the Government to collaborate with the Ministry of Road Transport and Shipping to provide seamless connectivity to the textile industries and reducing the cost of logistics; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to collaborate with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship for skilling, re-skilling and up-skilling of the labour force in the textile sector?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति जूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES  
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): All related issues involving logistic support to Indian industry are being comprehensively dealt under the proposed National Logistics Policy of Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry. National Logistics Policy is proposed to drive economic growth and business competitiveness of all sectors, including Textile industry, through an integrated, seamless, efficient, reliable and cost effective logistic network is being prepared. Though, there is no official estimation of logistics cost for India, some private institutions have estimated the logistics cost to the 13 to 14 percent of the GDP. The proposed Policy aims to reduce this to 9-10 percent of the GDP.

(b): With a view to create robust human resources for the textiles sector, particularly the need for trained and skilled workforce in all segment of the textile sector, Ministry of Textiles has been implementing various skill development schemes and programmes since the financial year 2010-11.

Under the Comprehensive Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS), a total of 11.14 lakh persons have been trained during FY 2010-11 to 2017-18, in various diverse segments of textile sector covering textiles and apparel, jute, spinning, weaving, technical textiles, sericulture, handloom and handicrafts. The training in ISDS also covered 33 States and Union Territories of the country, widely covering all sections of the society such as women(71.27%), Scheduled Caste(20.82%), Schedule Tribes (6.9%) and Divyang Jan(0.28%). Out of the 11.14 lakh persons trained, 8.43 lakh persons have been employed.

In further continuation, Ministry of Textiles has expanded the skill development programme, called Samarth- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector, for the entire value chain of the textiles sector (except spinning and weaving in organized sector which are being trained under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana) with a target of 10 lakh persons at a total outlay of Rs.1300 crore. Overall framework for implementation including costing for the capacity building programmes is in alignment with the broad policy framework for skill development viz. Common Norms, National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) etc. adopted by Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). The training programme and course curriculum have been rationalized keeping in view the technological and market demand status of the domestic and international economies. Ministry of Textiles has already partnered with 21 Government Agencies from 18 States and Sectoral Organizations covering nearly 4 lakh persons, for entry level training and job creation in both traditional and organized segments of textile value chain.

Further, a training target of approximately 1.5 lakh persons has been allocated to Industry/Industry associations for undertaking training. Special emphasis is also laid on upskilling in apparel and garmenting segment for increasing the competitiveness of the industry in global market.

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