## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4604 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2021

#### ANTI DUMPING DUTY ON VSF

### 4604. SHRI RAHUL GANDHI

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Ministry has received representations from various trade and industry associations seeking removal of anti-dumping duties on Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF);
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Government is aware that the high cost of VSF due to levy of antidumping duty is adversely affecting the competitiveness of domestic spun yarn producers, especially MSMEs;
- d) if so, the measures being considered by the Government to address the same; and
- e) whether the growth in spun-yarn production has declined in recent years and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) to (b) Yes sir, the Ministry has received representations from various associations for removal of Anti-Dumping Duty (ADD) on the import of Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF).
- (c) to (d): The anti-dumping duty has been imposed on VSF excluding Bamboo Fibre originating in or exported from China PR and Indonesia and is valid till 07.08.2021. The anti-dumping duty is imposed through a process which is quasi-judicial in nature and

adequate opportunity is given to all the interested parties, particularly during the investigations, for making their submissions. The Government is of the view that raw materials to the user industry in textiles value chain should be made available at internationally competitive prices. Decisions in such cases are taken after careful examination of the concerns raised by the user industry.

**(e)** As per the periodical statistical returns submitted by textile units to the O/o Textile Commissioner, Mumbai, the estimated production of spun yarn is as given below:

(Figures in million)

Period	Cotton yarn	Blended & 100% Non-cotton yarn	Total Spun Yarn
	Kg	Kg	Kg
2017-18	4064	1616	5680
2018-19	4208	1682	5890
April-Jan. 2019-20	3332	1431	4763
April-Jan. 2020-21 (Provisional)	2945	1221	4166

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