

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2878
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2021

CLOSURE OF TEXTILE MILLS

2878. SHRI SADASHIV KISAN LOKHANDE:

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

- (a) the policy formulated by the Government for rehabilitation of the employees rendered jobless due to closure of textile mills;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to seek help from the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) to make adequate arrangements for imparting training to the unemployed textile workers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(a): The Government had introduced Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) with effect from 15.09.1986 to provide relief to the workers rendered jobless due to permanent closure of Non-SSI Textile Mills in private sector. With effect from 01.04.2017, TWRFS has been merged with Rajiv Gandhi Shramik Kalyan Yojna (RGSKY) under Ministry of Labour and Employment and notified vide Notification No. S.O.1081 (E) dated 06.04.2017. Workers rendered jobless can avail benefits under the said scheme.

(b) to (d): With a view to address the skilled manpower requirement in textile sector, Ministry of Textiles is implementing Samarth (Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector), under the broad policy guidelines of “Skill India” initiative and in alignment with skilling programme of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. SAMARTH scheme supplements the efforts of creating jobs in the organized textile and related sectors of the entire value chain excluding Spinning and Weaving. SAMARTH scheme also supports skill upgradation in the traditional sectors of handlooms, handicrafts, sericulture and jute.
