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

(a) whether the textile and clothing sector is passing through difficult phase and has been badly affected;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
(c) the details of segments that have performed well in Textile and Clothing sectors during the last three years and the current year, segment and year-wise;
(d) whether the export of clothing and textile has been badly affected due to covid-19 pandemic, if so, the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the situation and boost the exports from the country;
(e) whether the export of handicraft including handmade carpets have shown negative growth compared to last three years; and
(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to push the exports of the said items?

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ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The global pandemic of Covid-19 affected the textile sector initially due to restriction of social gathering. However, the situation has improved in recent months and production and exports have looked up. The export of textiles and apparel during April-January 2021-22 is USD 34.459 billion, posting a growth of 49% over the same period in 2020-21(USD 23.137 billion). The performance of major textile sectors in terms of production is at Annexure.

In order to overcome the above challenges faced during the pandemic, the government has taken following major initiatives/ measures in textile sector to boost exports, production, demand and job opportunities in the sector on pan-India basis:
i) To boost exports in Man Made Fibre (MMF) sector, Government has removed anti-dumping duty on PTA (Purified Terephthalic Acid), Viscose Staple Fibre and Acrylic.

ii) The Government has approved setting up of Seven Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks in Greenfield/Brownfield sites with an outlay of Rs. 4,445 crore for a period of seven years upto 2027-28. These parks will enable the textile industry to become globally competitive, attract large investment and boost employment generation.

iii) The Government has approved the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles, with an approved outlay of Rs 10,683 crore, to promote production of MMF Apparel, MMF Fabrics and Products of Technical Textiles in the country to enable Textile sector to achieve size and scale and to become competitive.

iv) The scheme of Rebate of State and central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTCL) effective from March 2019 has been continued till 31st March 2024 for Exports of Apparel / Garments and made-ups in order to make the textile sector competitive in international market.

v) Government has allocated an outlay of Rs.1000 Crores for advance research and innovation in Technical Textiles at par with the best in the world. Research topics in 94 categories covering; specially fibres and composites, geotextiles, agro textiles, protective textiles, medical textiles, defence textiles, sports textiles, and environmentally friendly/biodegradable technical textiles have been identified and research proposals have been invited. Thirty One (31) research projects have been approved, so far, to various research institutes covering IITs, DRDO (Defence Research & Development Organization) CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) and Textiles Research Associations, with total estimated cost of Rs.110 Crore.

In addition, Government is implementing various schemes viz the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS), Schemes for the development of the Powerloom Sector(Power-Tex), Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP),SAMARTH- The Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector, Jute (ICARE- Improved Cultivation and Advanced Retting Exercise), Integrated Processing Development Scheme (IPDS), Silk Samagra, National Handloom Development Programme, National Handicraft Development Programme, Integrated Wool Development Programme (IWDP) etc.catering exclusively for promotion and development of textile sector on pan-India basis.

(e) & (f): The export of handicrafts products including handmade carpets in the current year has shown positive growth as compared to last three years. The Government has taken several steps in promoting the export of handicrafts. In addition to several standard International Marketing events, the virtual marketing events have been also organised to provide international marketing platform to the artisans. Domestic marketing events like Gandhi Shilp Bazaar, Craft Bazaar and Exhibitions are organized to provide domestic marketing platform to the artisans.
The export of handicrafts and handmade carpets during last three years and the current year is given below:

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<th>Sl. No</th>
<th>2018-19</th>
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<td>12364.69</td>
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**ANNEXURE**

Estimated production of man-made fibre, filament yarn, spun yarn for last three years and current year:

(Figures in Millions)

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<tr>
<th>Period</th>
<th>Man-made fibre (Kg)</th>
<th>Man-made filament yarn (Kg)</th>
<th>Cotton yarn (Kg)</th>
<th>Blended &amp; 100% Non-cotton yarn (Kg)</th>
<th>Total Spun Yarn (Kg)</th>
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