## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4930 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.04.2025

## ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

## 4930. SHRI AMRINDER SINGH RAJA WARRING:

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

- (a) the details of progress and funds allocated to address the financial and technical challenges faced by textile MSMEs in Punjab, especially in Ludhiana;
- (b) the specific initiatives being implemented in Punjab to address the challenges of industry fragmentation and encourage collaboration or cluster-based development for MSMEs;
- (c) whether there are any State-specific programmes being introduced to reduce the tariff disadvantage for exporters in key global markets like the EU; and
- (d) the efforts being made to boost synthetic fiber-based production of textiles and innovation in Punjab?

## उत्तर ANSWER वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (**श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिटा**) THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a) to (d): The Government is focused on the holistic development of the entire textile value chain as well as MSMEs and is implementing several schemes across the country including in Punjab. The major schemes/initiatives include PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks Scheme which seeks to create a modern, integrated, world class textile infrastructure; SAMARTH – Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector with the objective providing demand driven, placement oriented, skilling program; Silk Samagra-2 for comprehensive development of sericulture value chain; National Technical Textiles Mission focusing on Research Innovation & Development, Promotion and Market Development; National Handloom Development Program for end to end support for handloom sector. Ministry of Textiles is also implementing National Handicrafts Development Programme and Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme for promotion of handicraft artisans. Under these schemes, support is provided for marketing, skill development, cluster development, direct benefit to artisans, infrastructure and technology support etc.

Further, with a view to increasing investments, generating employment opportunities and boosting exports in the textile sector, the Ministry is implementing Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP) to provide support for setting up textile parks with world-class, state-of-the-art infrastructure in textile hubs across the country. The scheme was in implementation upto 31.03.2021; however, the Scheme has now been subsumed under the umbrella Scheme of Textile Cluster Development Scheme (TCDS) for completing ongoing projects only. Under SITP, three projects were sanctioned in Punjab, details of which are given in below:

Sl. No.	Name of the park	GoI share released (In crores)	Employment	Investment (in crores)
1	Lotus Integrated Tex Park, Barnala	40.00	1,500	500
2	Rhythm Textile & Apparel Park Ltd, Nawanshehar	36.00	1,875	120
3	Ludhiana Integrated Textile Park Ltd, Ludhiana	36.00	2,790	148.62
TOTAL		112.00	6,165	768.62

In addition to the above, Government is implementing Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme focusing on Man Made Fibre (MMF) Fabric, MMF Apparel and Technical Textiles to boost large scale manufacturing and enhancing competitiveness. Further, in order to increase the export potential, India has so far signed 14 free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and 6 Preferential Trade Agreement (PTAs) with various trading partners. The allocation of funds is done scheme-wise, implemented on pan India basis.

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