LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3737 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.08.2025

GOTS ORGANIC CERTIFICATE

3737. SHRI CHANDUBHAI CHHAGANBHAI SHIHORA:

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

- (a) whether processing of textile products, yarn/cotton/fabric with Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) enables them to export it with GOTS organic certificate;
- (b) whether control association are certified since 2007 for GOTS certificate and also linked with interlok since 2021;
- (c) whether Intertek testing service for GOTS organic certification is available since 2021;
- (d) whether some problem in Intertek GOTS, led to suspension of Intertek for 7 months and in turn, Intertek suspended some companies including Gujarat and other States as a consequence the farmers are also facing loss in the price of cotton (organic premium); and
- (e) whether foreign payments of all the companies are stopped/withheld as supply of organic material is banned and if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (e): National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) is being implemented by the Department of Commerce and is notified under the FTDR Act for export. Under NPOP, cotton is certified only till production level. Thereafter, the post production activities including ginning, processing etc are carried out under private certifications. Global Organic Textiles Standards (GOTS) is one of the private certifications under which organic textiles are exported.
