

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3092
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2015

‘DOMESTIC DEMAND OF TEXTILE PRODUCTS’

3092. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BAHERIA:
SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

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

- (a) whether the textile industry is facing difficulties and workers are being rendered unemployed due to decrease in domestic demand of textile products, high cost of thread and global slow down;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to protect the textile industry including the workers;
- (c) whether the funds are provided to encourage the textile sector workers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री संतोष कुमार गंगवार)
MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): Production of Yarn and Fabric has been increasing as is evident from data given below.

Items	Unit	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (April-Sept) *
Total Yarn	Mn. Kgs	7502	7909	8080	4081
Fabrics	Mn.sq. mtr	62792	63500	65276	33081

*Provisional

However, in order to increase production, exports and employment in the textile sector, Government has launched various policy initiatives and schemes such as the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), Schemes for the development of the Powerloom Section, Schemes for Technical Textiles, and Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), Integrated Skill Development Scheme, etc. Further, under the Yarn Supply scheme, Yarn is supplied at Mill Gate Price to handloom weavers to help utilize the full employment potential of the sector.

Further Government is also implementing social welfare schemes for wavers / workers, such as Matatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana for Handloom weavers, the Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom workers, the Aam Admi Bima Yojana for handicrafts artisans, etc. For rehabilitation of Textile workers rendered un-employed due to permanent closure of a textile mills in the private non-SSI Sector, the Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) has been introduced with effect from 15-9-1986. Relief under the scheme is provided for three years @ 75% wages in the first year, 50% wages in the second year and 25% wages in the third year. So far, 1,17,316 workers have benefitted under the scheme and an amount of Rs. 317.12 crores has been distributed upto 31st October 2015.

The details of funds utilized under the schemes relating to various segments of the Textile Industry during last three years are given in the **Annexure**.

Annexure

Funds Spent under the Plan Schemes in the Textile Sector: 2012-13 to 2014-15

Rs in Crores

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme/ Sector	Annual Plan 2012-13	Annual Plan 2013-14	Annual Plan 2014-15
		Actual Exp.	Actual Exp.	Actual Exp.
1.	Handloom	737.93	550.00	404.25
2.	Handicraft	162.26	142.13	104.64
3.	Wool & Woollens	13.51	16.66	21.00
4.	Sericulture/ Silk	258.00	374.55	297.58
5.	Powerlooms	12.57	13.09	51.52
6.	Megacluster	23.38	38.75	51.45
7.	Industry Schemes including Technology Upgradation Funds Scheme (TUFS), Scheme for Integrated Textiles park (SITP), Integrated Skill Development Schemes (ISDS) and North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPC)	2419.73	2029.78	2390.78
	GRAND TOTAL	3627.38	3164.96	3321.22