

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 374
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2026

TEXTILE EXPORT TARGET AND POLICY SUPPORT

374. THIRU DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्रमंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) the details regarding roadmap prepared by the Union Government to enable Tamil Nadu to achieve its assigned textile export target of US\$21 billion by 2030, including Tiruppur's target of US\$11.5 billion, and the financial and policy support proposed therefor;
- (b) the details regarding present status of the PM-MITRA Mega Textile Park at Virudhunagar, including land acquisition, infrastructure creation, funds sanctioned & released, industries allotted & the timeline for commencement of operations;
- (c) the details of the proposed scheme for modernisation of textile machinery, including financial assistance for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in textile clusters such as Tiruppur, Coimbatore, Erode & Karur;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to support the establishment of hostels for women workers & new textile clusters in Tamil Nadu and the details thereof; and
- (e) if so, the details and steps taken to ensure that the transition towards man-made fibres & sustainable textiles does not adversely affect cotton-based Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and employment in Tamil Nadu?

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ANSWER
वस्त्रराज्यमंत्री(श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): Tamil Nadu's exports of textile and apparel including Handicrafts stood at Rs. 68791.7 Crore in 2025-26, exhibiting a growth of 1.4% compared to Rs. 67863.4 Crore in 2024-25. Tiruppur's exports of textile and apparel including handicrafts stood at Rs. 38676.5 Crore in 2025-26, exhibiting a growth of 3.0% compared to Rs. 37563.6 Crore in 2024-25. Tiruppur is Tamil Nadu's leading textile and apparel export district and is globally recognized as the Knitwear Capital of India. The district functions as a fully integrated manufacturing hub covering spinning, knitting, dyeing, processing, and garmenting, along with strong backward linkages in yarn and fabric and forward linkages in exports and logistics. Tiruppur has the potential to solidify its position as India's premier textile and apparel export powerhouse by 2030. Its production-centric cluster model, supported by a robust base of over 90,000 MSME units and strategic proximity to major ports like Chennai, Tuticorin, and Cochin, provides a unique competitive advantage in large-scale, compliance-driven global supply chains.

The Ministry of Textiles successfully conducted the Textiles Summit 2026 in June 2026 which brought together representatives from State Governments including Tamilnadu, industry, and academia to foster collaborative dialogue on the growth and roadmap of the textile sector. Discussions focused on strategies to enhance competitiveness, strengthen the textile value chain, and achieve the vision of increasing India's textile and apparel exports to USD 100 billion by 2030.

The Government is implementing various schemes and initiatives to boost the Indian textile and apparel sector including Tamilnadu and enhance its competitiveness. The major schemes/initiatives include PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks Scheme; Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme; National Technical Textiles Mission; SAMARTH – Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector; Silk Samagra-2; National Handloom Development Programme; National Handicrafts Development Programme; Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme; Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) Scheme; Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) Scheme; Export Promotion Mission (EPM), comprising Niryat Protsahan and Niryat Disha; and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Exporters (CGSE).

(b): As per present status of PM MITRA Park at Virudhunagar, it has achieved 100% land acquisition, and has received Environmental Clearance. Joint Venture agreement is signed between central and state government and land has been transferred in name of SPV. A DPR worth Rs. 1,894 Cr. for PM MITRA Park, Tamil Nadu has been approved. The Park has been appraised in 98th NPG meeting held on 12.08.2025. The core infrastructure EPC package has been awarded to a construction Company. The 1st installment of Development Capital Support (DCS) amounting to ₹50 crore has been released to the project.

(c to e): In the Union Budget 2026-27, the Government had announced an Integrated Programme for the Textile Sector comprising five sub-components, including the Textile Expansion and Employment Scheme, which envisages modernization of traditional textile clusters through capital support for machinery, technology upgradation and establishment of common testing and certification centres.

The Government is promoting balanced growth of the textile sector through initiatives relating to man-made fibres (MMF), technical textiles, sustainability, technology upgradation, machinery modernisation, skill development and value addition across the textile value chain. These initiatives are aimed at promoting sustainable growth, employment generation and enhancing the global competitiveness of the Indian textile industry. The Government of India has adopted a balanced approach by temporarily exempting customs duties on cotton imports from 1st June till 31st October 2026 to augment availability of cotton.
