

**Duty Free Shops for Incoming Passengers  
at Airports**

1046. SHRI MOHANLAL PATEL :  
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PATEL : Will the Minister of  
FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to open duty free shops for incoming passengers at certain airports;

(b) if so, the names of these airports and by when these shops are likely to be opened ; and

(c) the names of the articles which are likely to be sold at these shops and who will be permitted to avail of the facility ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI  
PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) to (b)  
Yes, Sir. Government have agreed to opening of duty free shops for incoming passengers to be managed by the India Tourism Development Corporation at Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras international airports. The Delhi and Bombay duty free shops for incoming passengers have already become operational from 1st and 9th July, 1983 respectively. The other two shops are yet to be set up.

(e) India Tourism Development Corporation propose to sell liquor, cigarettes and tobacco, perfumes cameras, electronic items, watches, etc, at these duty free shops to international passengers coming from abroad to India against payment in free foreign exchange.

**Suggestions made by the Representatives  
of Federation of Indian Art Silk  
Weaving Industry**

1047. SHRI MOHAN LAL PATEL :  
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be  
pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that representatives of the Federation of Indian Art Silk Weaving Industry have met Government

officials and urged them to immediately come to the rescue of small and decentra-  
lised art silk weavers who have been seriously  
hit by the run away prices of nylon  
yarn ;

(b) if so, what are the details of the  
suggestions made by the Federations ; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government  
to solve the problem and save the poor  
weavers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRIMATI  
RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) and (b) A  
representation from FIASWI regarding high  
prices of Nylon Filament Yarn with sugges-  
tions for reduction in import duty as well  
as measures for price & distribution control  
has been received.

(c) The shortage in the domestic market  
was caused by the closure of 2 major pro-  
ducing units. With the reopening of M/s.  
Garware Ltd. the availability and price  
situation has shown improvement.

Imports of NFY are on OGL by Actual  
Users as well as by Trading Houses & Export  
Houses and the landed cost of imports is  
comparable to the indigenous fair price  
at present.

**Export of Cotton**

1048. SHRI MOHAN LAL PATEL :  
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased  
to state:

(a) whether cotton is being exported,  
if so, the quantity and quality of cotton  
exported during the years 1981-82 and 1982-  
83 and the names of the countries to whom  
exported :

(b) whether any agreement has been  
made for the export of cotton during the  
current year if so, the names of the variety  
and at what rate;

(c) whether Government are consider-  
ing to stop the export of certain varieties