

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 831  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024

**SCHEMES FOR REVIVAL OF OLD MILLS**

831. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:  
SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS  
PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:  
SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

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

(a) whether the Government is implementing any schemes to revive many old mills with the aim of providing employment to the mill workers of the country including Parbhani Parliamentary Constituency;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the other steps taken by the Government for the said unemployed workers;

(d) whether the Government is aware that Barshi Textile Mills in district Solapur along with several other mills in Maharashtra have closed since 2020 due to Covid, resulting in many mill workers getting unemployed;

(e) whether the trade unions and area representatives have approached the Government several times to revive the said mills but still the mills could not be revived; and

(f) if so, the steps taken and the role played by the Government to restart the said textile mills and provide employment to the unemployed workers?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती दर्शना जरदोश)  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES  
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

**(a) to (f):** The production activities of all the NTC mills including Barshi Textile Mills in district Solapur along with several other mills in Maharashtra were suspended since March, 2020 due to nationwide lockdown declared by Government of India and respective State Governments due to COVID-19 pandemic. Normal operations were resumed in some of the NTC mills from January, 2021 but could not be continued due to unavailability of working capital and other financial constraints. Necessary action has been taken to settle wages and other dues of employees.

In February, 2021, a new Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) Policy was announced for Atmanirbhar Bharat, which lays down a broad roadmap for PSEs. In accordance with the guidelines for implementation of New Public Sector Enterprises (PSE) policy for CPSEs in Non-Strategic Sector issued by the Department of Expenditure (DPE), the issue of NTC has been referred to DPE for action plan and way forward.

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