

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1284
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2024

SETTING UP OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY

1284. SHRI SANJAY UTTAMRAO DESHMUKH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up the cotton textile industries to enable the farmers to sell their produce directly to the companies leading to the farmers getting fair price for their cotton produce, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up textile industries in Yavatmal district at the earliest?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): The Cotton Corporation of India Ltd (CCI) is appointed as Central Nodal Agency by Government of India for undertaking MSP operations of cotton in case market prices of cotton fall below the MSP rates. In such cases, CCI buys cotton directly from the cotton farmers in the Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) yards, without any quantitative restriction. CCI has a setup of adequate infrastructure on pan India basis i.e., 17 branches and more than 450 procurement centres in 145 districts to safeguard the interest of cotton farmers.

(b): In Yavatmal District, CCI has opened eight procurement centres under its branch office Akola to support cotton farmers when market prices fall below the MSP rates . During cotton season 2023-24, CCI has procured 20,730 bales in Yavatmal district valuing Rs.71.79 crore benefitting 4,872 farmers. Centre-wise procurement of cotton in Yavatmal district is given below:

Procurement Centre	Procurement of cotton (in bales)	Value of Procurement (Rs. in Crore)	No. of farmers benefitted
Darwha	4,835	16.81	1,066
Digras	738	2.46	165
Ghatanji	1,498	5.28	370
Khairi	931	3.21	245
Pandarkawd	1,759	6.05	413
Ralegaon	580	2.06	169
Wani	10,389	35.92	2,444
Total	20,730	71.79	4,872
