LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2327 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2024

LONG STAPLE COTTON IN DINDIGUL

2327. SHRI SACHITHANANTHAM R:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government is aware of the fact that there are around 175 cotton industries functioning in Dindigul District, Tamil Nadu and they are procuring cotton from other States across the country;

(b) whether the Union Government has any proposal or special plan/special package to produce Long Staple Cotton in Dindigul district which has more prospects for cotton yield for the benefit, convenience and self-reliance of the cotton industries in Dindigul district;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, whether any such proposal will be considered to be implemented in future?

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

(a): According to report from Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation on Annual Survey of Industries (ASI), there are 299 cotton and other fibre industries are functioning in Dindigul District, Tamil Nadu.

(b) to (d): A special emphasis is given for the distribution of certified Extra Long Staple Cotton in Dindigul under National Agriculture Development Programme (NADP) Cotton – Quality Seed Production and Distribution of varietal cotton. Assistance is provided for the distribution of Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton seeds @ 50% subsidy or Rs. 1,40,000/hectare.

Food & Nutrition Security Cotton, Quality Seed Production of Extra Long Staple / varietal cotton under NADP Schemes of Government of India are being implemented in Dindigul to increase productivity of cotton crop. Likewise, the State Scheme Profitable Cotton Cultivation Mission is also being implemented to increase cotton area and production.
