

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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VIABILITY STUDY OF NTC MILLS

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have completed the viability study of all the units of NTC mills;
- (b) if so, the names of units revived/ closed so far or proposed to be revived/ closed along with the amount incurred thereon, unit-wise and mill-wise;
- (c) the details of V.R.S. option available to employees of closed units and the number of workers benefited from it along with the expenditure incurred thereon, till date, unit/mill-wise;
- (d) the profit earned and loss suffered by each NTC mill during 2000-2001, state-wise; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government for the revival of NTC mills?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) & (b) The Techno-economic viability studies of NTC mills in 8 subsidiaries have been completed by Textile Research Associations and the same have been submitted to Operating Agencies. Based on the Draft Revival Schemes prepared by Operating Agencies, BIFR has to approve the mills to be revived and to be closed.

(c) An attractive VRS/VSS scheme, adding HRA in computation of benefits under VRS in addition to those prescribed in Department of Public Enterprises O.M. No. 2(32)/97- DPE (WC) dated 5.5.2000, has been approved for being offered to the workers of units proposed to be closed.

(d) The profit earned and loss suffered by each NTC mill during 2000-2001 would be compiled only after March 2001.

(e) The Government has approved the following broad approach for all the mills of the eight sick subsidiaries of NTC:-

- i) There will be a unit by unit assessment to decide whether a unit is revivable or non-revivable.
- ii) All revivable units will be revived.
- iii) Non revivable units will be closed and attractive VRS option(s) will be made available to the employees.

Government had also provided a budgetary support of Rs. 410 Crores in 2000-1 (till date) for meeting the shortfall in wages and salaries.