

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5008
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PRODUCTION OF JUTE GUNNY BAGS
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of jute gunny bags produced during each of the last three years and estimated for 2001-2002;
- (b) whether there has been an increase in the domestic demand of jute gunny bags in the country both in the Government departments and in the private sectors;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the jute industry is not able to meet the growing demand;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefore; and
- (f) the effort being made by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) The information is given below: -

Qty. in 000` MT

Year (April/ March) Production of Sacking Production of Hessian

1998-99	903.3	344.1
1999-00	909.2	344.5
2000-01	956.0	337.8
2001-02@ (Estimated)	950.00	350.0

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. The details are given below: -

Qty. in 000` MT

Year (April/ March) Indent from Govt. Demand from other sectors Total
(FCI & allied agencies) (Excluding Hessian)

1998-99	326.6	559.7	886.3
1999-00	414.3	493.1	907.4
2001-01	405.3	539.7	945.0

(d), (e) & (f) The jute industry is able to meet the demand of the user industries. However, a provision exists in the notification of 25.10.2000 regarding the compulsory use of jute packaging materials that, in the event of disruption in supplies, relaxation upto 20% for foodgrains & sugar and 5% for urea can be given by the Government.

