

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:279

ANSWERED ON:07.12.2001

TECHNOLOGY UPGRADATION FUND SCHEME FOR TEXTILE AND JUTE INDUSTRY

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have approved any financial scheme for technology upgradation for textile and Jute Industry to enhance their production, quality and competitiveness in the market;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of beneficiaries who have been provided funds since its inception;
- (c) whether the Government have made any assessment regarding the per capita requirement and production of cloth after the recent census; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (A) TO (D) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 279 FOR 7.12.2001

(a) : Government of India, Ministry of Textiles has launched a Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) for textile & jute industries, which is in operation since 1.4.1999 for a period of 5 years. The principal objective of the scheme is to meet the modernisation needs of the textile and jute industries to enhance their viability, and competitiveness in the domestic as well as international markets.

(b) : The scheme provides a reimbursement of 5% point on the interest charged by the lending agency on a project of technology upgradation in conformity with the scheme. Any textile unit, which is eligible as per the normal lending norms of the concerned financial institutions and fulfils the benchmark criteria of the scheme, can avail of funds under the scheme.

As on 30.9.2001, an amount of Rs.4820 crore has been sanctioned by the financial institutions to the 1098 applications, out of which Rs.3023 crore has been disbursed to 830 applications.

(c) & (d) : The projected per capita availability of cloth and the estimated production of cloth during the current year and the Xth Plan period are as follows:

Year Per capita availability of cloth Estimated production of cloth
(in Square meter) in Million Square meter

2001-02	23.93	34200
2002-03	24.69	36200
2003-04	25.48	38300
2004-05	26.29	40550
2005-06	27.13	42950
2006-07	28.00	45500