

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION EXPORT OF CARPETS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that world famous carpets are being produced by the weavers of Bhavani in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, whether is there any proposal with the Government to export these world famous carpets and to encourage the weavers of this area;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d): No, Sir. However, to boost the export of hand-knotted carpets and to encourage the carpet weavers in the country including exporters and weavers of Bhavani in Tamil Nadu, the Government and the Carpet Export Promotion Council (CEPC) are implementing a number of schemes/ programmes which include: organization of buyer-seller's meet; overseas publicity; organization of workshops on design development; export marketing and packaging etc.; participation in various international fairs; sponsoring of sales-cum-study teams abroad; organization of carpet expo's twice a year at New Delhi and setting up of Indian Institute of Carpet Technology (IICT).