

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2551
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2003
STAGNATION OF HANDLOOM TEXTILES
E. PONNUSWAMY

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that a large quantum of handloom textiles have stagnated due to lack of sufficient marketing facilities in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, whether the families depending upon this industry are facing unprecedented pecuniary situation; and
- (c) if so, the steps the Government propose to ameliorate the sufferings of these people?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir. However, the Government of Tamil Nadu has informed that due to a recession in the textile market, there had been an accumulation of handloom goods in the State. The Government of Tamil Nadu has reported that the Weavers` Cooperative Societies and the Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers` Cooperative Society Ltd. (COOPTEX) have liquidated the handloom stock to a large extent and the stock of Rs.452.75 crore on 1.4.2002 has been brought down to Rs.271.90 crore by 31.1.2003.
- (b) No such report has been received from the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- (c) In view of (b) above, does not arise.