GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TEXTILES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1846 ANSWERED ON:01.08.2003 MODERNISATION OF NTC MILLS RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether out of 119 textile mills with NTC in the country, only 24 mills are working in full potential while 53 are working partially and 42 are lying closed;
- (b) if not, the facts in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government have not allocated a single penny to any State since 1996-97 onwards for modernization of NTC mills;
- (d) if so, the facts in this regard and the reasons therefore; and
- (e) the amount of loss suffered by the Government due to these mills during each of the last three years?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Out of the 119 NTC mills, 72 mills are functioning presently. 44 unviable mills have been closed after giving VRS to employees. The balance 3 mills are not functioning due to operational reasons; but are proposed for revival as per the Rehabilitation Scheme approved by BIFR.
- (c) & (d): As per rehabilitation Scheme approved by BIFR, modernisation of the revival mills is to be carried out with the proceeds from sale of surplus lands. The process of land sale is currently going on. From the proceeds so far accrued from sale of surplus lands, Rs.26.42 Cr has been earmarked for release as first installment for modernisation/maintenance in the mills.
- (e): NTC sustained a net loss of Rs.1,075.57 Cr in 2000-01, Rs.617.23 Cr in 2001-02 and Rs.1,488.39 Cr in 2002-03.