

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF SILK WASTE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual requirements and production of silk waste in the country;
- (b) whether the export of silk waste has been increasing for the last few years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether due to this export policy, the availability of silk waste has come down to a low level resulting in closure of mills and rendering the workforce idle; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ban on export of silk waste to save the silk waste processing industry in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRILINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) During the year 1999-2000 the production of silk waste was estimated about 4400 tons. The installed capacity for consumption of silk waste, which may be taken as an indicator of requirement was 6914 tons.

(b) & (c) The quantity of silk waste exported during the last three years is as under:

Year	Qty. In tons Quantity
1997-98	2069
1998-99	1841
1999-2000	2097

Source: DGCIS, Calcutta

(d) This Ministry has received representations from Spun Silk Mills stating that the availability of silk waste has come down & their problems due to this position.

(e) No such steps have been taken.