

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:297

ANSWERED ON:12.08.2005

MERGER OF TEXTILE SCHEMES

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Textile Centre Infrastructure Development Scheme and the Apparel Parks for Exports Scheme are proposed to be merged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the salient features of the new schemes; and
- (d) the major gains of the new scheme as compared to the existing two schemes with reference to the post quota regime?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

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

A STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.297 FOR ANSWER ON 12.8.2004

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A new scheme namely, 'Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks' has been formulated by merging two existing schemes i.e. the Scheme for Apparel Parks for Exports (APE) and the Textile Centre Infrastructure Development (TCID) in order to expand the production base of the textile and garment sector

(c) The salient features of the new Scheme are as under:

The scheme envisages to create 25 Textile Parks of international standard at potential growth centres of India by 2007-08.

The Scheme would be implemented by the Ministry of Textiles through Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV) at the field level. Industry Associations/groups would be the main promoters of Textile Parks.

There would be engaged an agency like Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS) or a similar professional body with considerable experience and expertise in the area of infrastructure development, as Project Management Consultant for the Scheme.

The Government of India's support under the Scheme by way of grant or equity

will be 40% of the project cost subject to a ceiling of Rs. 40 crore.

(d) The new Scheme is based on Public Private Partnership and envisages to provide proper targeting, greater flexibility and higher industry participation.