

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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CARPET INDUSTRY AT BHADOHI  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there has been a stockpile of carpets with carpet manufacturers in Bhadohi near Varanasi; and
- (b) if so, the reasons for this situation and the steps taken by the Government to help the carpet industry of Bhadohi?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SMT. PANABAACA LAKSHMI)

(a): Yes Madam.

(b): The reason for this situation is due to global recession as a result of which export of carpet has fallen by 23.15% in 2008-09 in comparison to 2007-08 as per the data compiled by Carpet Export Promotin Council of India. The Government is providing financial assistance for participation in fairs and exhibitions in India and abroad to encourage the manufacturers and exporters to explore new markets. Government has also provided stimulus package of interest sub-vention and focus products scheme benefit. A craft cluster in Bhadohi-Mirzapur area is being taken up by the Government as Mega Cluster Scheme for overall development of the carpet industry.