

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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ECO FRIENDLY TEXTILE PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is focusing on promoting eco-friendly textile products;
- (b) if so, the details of such initiatives taken/proposed to be taken in the current five year plan; and
- (c) the funds allocated for the purpose and utilized so far, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): In order to promote eco-friendly textile products manufactured from natural fibres like cotton, jute, silk and wool, apart from providing exemption from excise duty, Government has introduced schemes such as Technology Mission on Cotton (TMC), Jute Technology Mission (JTM), Catalytic Development Programme (CDP) for Silk and Integrated Wool Improvement and Development Programme (IWIDP).

The TMC aims to address the issues of raising productivity, improving quality, reducing cost of production, improvement in market infrastructure, revival of dormant market yards, improvement in existing market yards, setting up of new market yards, modernization of ginning and pressing factories and thereby improving the quality of cotton by reducing contamination etc.

The JTM aims at improving yield and quality of jute fibre, strengthening existing infrastructure for development and supply of quality seeds, improving quality of fibre through better methods of retting and extraction technologies, modernization & technology upgradation of jute industry, developing innovative technology for diversified use of jute and allied fibers etc.

The CDP aims at increasing productivity and quality besides providing market support.

The IWIDP provides support to the industry and wool growers to qualitatively upgrade eco- friendly wool products and technology to enable them to get better returns for their products and get a larger share of the domestic and global market.

(c): The funds allocated under the above Schemes in the 11th Plan and utilized during the first three years are as follows:-

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

TMC JTM CDP IWIDP

Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
all-	util-	all-	util-	all-	util-	all-	util-	Funds
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The above Schemes being Central Sector, funds are not released state-wise.