

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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SILK PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the demand of Indian Tuser Silk has increased in overseas markets;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the production of silk such as Tusar, Mulberry and Non-Mulberry varieties; and
- (d) the amount spent by the Government for the development of this sector during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The demand for tasar silk has increased in the overseas markets since the last few years. The table below indicates the export earnings on tasar silk goods during the last three years:

(Value in crore Rs.)

Particulars of export 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10#

Silk Goods	136.55	229.96	223.10
Raw Silk	0.60	2.05	0.86
Silk Yarn	7.39	4.91	9.56
Silk Waste	- 1.81	5.57	
Total	144.54	238.73	239.09
Percentage of increase over the previous year	65.2%	0.2%	

#Provisional

The following steps have been/are being taken by the Government of India through Central Silk Board increase production of silk and the quality of silk yarn:-

Strengthening the R&D systems to improve the levels of cocoon production and productivity.

Evolved new Bivoltine Breeds by the R&D Institutes of CSB with assistance from the Japan International Co-operation Agency(JICA).

Tropicalising the BV Silkworm and Development of new varieties of mulberry (viz. V1, S36, AR11, AR12, S13 and S34) by the R&D Institutes of CSB with higher yields resulting in significant improvement in silk productivity.

The Catalytic Development Programme (CDP) is being implemented by the Central Silk Board in collaboration with the State Governments to popularize the improved technologies evolved by the Research Institutes to improve the production, productivity and quality.

CSB is making necessary efforts to import and popularize the Automatic Silk Reeling Machines and Multi-end Reeling Machines in selected clusters to meet the demand of domestic power-looms and to raise the quality of yarn at International level.

Government of India has encouraged production of value added mulberry and Vanya Silk products with internationally acceptable design input with the help of well known designers.

Eri Spun silk Mills have been established in Assam and Andhra Pradesh to provide forward linkages to the eri cocoons produced by the farmers.

(d) State-wise amount spent by the Government for the development of silk sector under the Catalytic Development Programme during the last three years (2007-08 to 2009-10) and for current year (2010-11) is furnished in the Annexure.

Annexure

Statement indicating the status of State-wise funds released during 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 (Upto June,2010)

(Rs in lakhs)

# State	Funds released during				Total funds
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	
	(upto released				
	June 2010)				
1 Karnataka	1015.22	1876.63	2306.76	1991.98	7190.59
2 Tamilnadu	745.20	954.48	911.88	1199.85	3811.41
3 Jammu & Kashmir	181.85	316.07	1089.25	0.00	1587.17
4 Andhra Pradesh	979.88	1554.84	1073.16	0.00	3607.88
5 West Bengal	102.04	273.32	869.55	0.00	1244.91
6 Maharashtra	95.21	200.11	295.82	421.50	1012.64
7 Madhya Pradesh	173.85	518.95	430.25	927.79	2050.85
8 Orissa	63.70	75.18	566.64	340.16	1045.68
9 Bihar	0.00	43.90	171.35	106.18	321.43
10 Uttar pradesh	321.01	413.98	611.70	66.67	1413.37
11 Kerala	87.33	147.30	87.40	0.00	322.03
12 Punjab	26.63	0.00	26.63		
13 Haryana	9.00	28.83	37.83		
14 Himachal Pradesh	53.93	165.63	158.94	0.00	378.50
15 Gujarat	0.00	32.57	0.00	32.57	
16 Chattisgarh	344.07	378.22	469.59	0.00	1191.88
17 Jharkhand	43.60	255.70	1066.22	1482.00	2847.53
18 Uttaranchal	143.02	208.72	423.39	133.16	908.28
Total for States	4349.9	7442.2	10540.9	6698.1	29031.1
other than NE (A)					

NE States

19 Sikkim	50.04	32.29	69.09	0.00	151.42
20 Assam (#)	1891.52	590.46	1614.93	44.86	4141.77
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21 Arunachal Pradesh	220.40	113.83	287.13	0.00	621.36
22 Manipur	594.59	89.97	324.78	0.00	1009.34
23 Meghalaya	74.81	267.14	302.37	389.43	1033.75
24 Mizoram	249.10	230.29	349.46	577.21	1406.06
25 Nagaland	217.11	163.32	540.54	225.23	1146.19
26 Tripura	434.13	144.62	377.04	596.60	1552.39
Total for NE States (B)	3731.70	1631.91	3865.34	1833.33	11062.28
Total	8081.61	9074.16	14406.25	8531.45	40093.46

(#) Includes amount spent / released in respect of Bodoland Teritorial Council (BTC), Kokrajar(Assam)

(\$) Released exclusively to BTC