

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:439
ANSWERED ON:26.08.2010
REVIVAL OF HOSIERY MILLS
Sainuji Shri Kowase Marotrao

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the hosiery industry plays an important role, in the employment generation and economic development of a region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of hosiery units, Statewise;
- (d) whether several hosiery mills in the country have closed down or are on the verge of closure;
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to revive them?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.439 FOR 26.08.2010.

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The hosiery industry provides employment to over 4.3 lakh persons. The production of knitted cloth, which accounts for 22.79% of total cloth production, stood at 13623 million square metres in 2009-10.

(c): Hosiery units are predominantly in the decentralized sector and the State wise details of number of units are not available.

(d) & (e): No, Madam. The production of knitted cloth has shown an increase of 12.8% in 2009-10 as compared to previous year. The increasing trend of production indicates that there is no large scale closure of hosiery industries.

(f): Does not arise in view of (d) & (e) above.