

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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DELEGATION FROM UZBEKISTAN

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a delegation from Uzbekistan has visited various establishments of Central Silk Board in India in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Uzbekistan is interested in development of Sericulture and Silk industry in their country;
- (d) if so, whether India and Uzbekistan have signed any cooperation agreement for promotion of Sericulture and Silk industry; and
- (e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. A seven member Uzbekistan delegation headed by H.E. I. Khaydarov, Minister of Light Industries, Government of Uzbekistan visited to the Central Silk Board Headquarters, Central Silk Technological Research and Training Institute, Bangalore and few farmers fields in and around Bangalore (Karnataka) on 29th September, 2010 to study the development of silk industry in India and to explore the possibility of identifying interested Indian companies to invest in Uzbekistan on silk production. Central Silk Board(CSB) had organized a meeting of the Uzbek delegation with 11 Indian businessmen involved in the development of Silk industry.

(d) & (e): No cooperation agreement has been signed between India and Uzbekistan for promotion of Sericulture and Silk industry.