

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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COTTON BASED INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian industry is still primarily cotton-based;
- (b) if so, the latest facts in this regard;
- (c) whether any step is being taken to promote man-made fibre in textile industry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The domestic fibre consumption ratio in India at present is 41:59 (FY-09) between man-made fibre and cotton.
- (c) & (d): Government has formulated a fibre neutral National Fibre Policy, with a view to balance the existing disparities within the complete range of fibres.