

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the total production and consumption of cotton in the country before allowing export of cotton;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total demand and supply of cotton in the country and the total cotton exported by the country during the last three years?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes Madam. Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) met on 27.8.2010 and estimated production of cotton at 325 lakh bales and consumption at 266 lakh bales. The supply for the year 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 was 369 lakh bales, 335.50 lakh bales and 373.50 lakh bales respectively. Total demand including exports for the year 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 was 326 lakh bales, 264 lakh bales and 333 lakh bales respectively.