

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF YARN

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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the shortage of yarn supply/production is due to lack of comprehensive raw material Security Policy by the Union Government and insufficient supply of cotton from the farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps being taken to enhance the production of cotton;

(c) whether there is a dip in demand of cotton apparels due to change in fashion preferences among the Indian middle-class consumers; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to popularise use of cotton apparels/garments?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam, India is a yarn surplus country, with domestic production exceeding domestic consumption. Production for the year 2011-12 is estimated at 3931 million kgs, against consumption of 3184 million kgs. For the year 2010-11, production was estimated at 3510 million kgs against consumption of 2702 million kgs.

(c): There is no reported dip in demand of cotton apparels due to change in fashion preference of middle class consumer.

(d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.