

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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SET UP OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY BY FARMERS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance to the small and marginal farmers to establish textile industry in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for cotton and jute in the country particularly in the States of Bihar and Maharashtra to compensate the losses suffered by the farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): In order to boost modernization and technology upgradation, Government has launched the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme and the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks with a total allocation of Rs.15404 crore and Rs. 1419 crore respectively in the 11th Five Year Plan.

(c) & (d): In order to protect the interests of the farmers, every year Government fixes the MSP on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP). Accordingly, taking into consideration recommendation of the CACP the support price during 2011-12 for medium staple length cotton has been fixed at Rs. 2800/-per quintal and for long staple at Rs. 3300/-per quintal. MSP for raw jute has been fixed for Rs. 1675/- per quintal for the year 2011-12.