

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TEXTILE AND CLOTHING

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any study has been conducted to assess the impact of the global slowdown on Indian Textiles and Clothing Industry and its exports to various countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps/measures taken by the Government to improve the textiles exports and competitiveness with other developing countries;
- (c) the details of production of textiles products along with quantum of exports of textile and clothing, item-wise including apparel/ garments, country-wise and share/rank of Indian exports globally;
- (d) whether the Government is contemplating to provide modern techniques to the Indian textiles industry to compete with other developing countries;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of monitoring mechanism in operation to avoid and check the misuse of funds allotted for the development of textiles and clothing sector?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No Madam. No such study has been conducted. There is no discernible impact yet of the global slowdown, on Indian Textiles and Clothing industry and its exports to various countries. However, Government have introduced several provisions in the Foreign Trade Policy 2009-14, further supplemented in August, 2010, for providing incentives to the T&C sector exports. This includes incentives for exports to focus markets and exports of focus products, interest subvention on pre-shipment credit, duty-free import of trimmings etc. required by the garmenting industry and duty-free import of tools by the handicrafts industry. This apart, financial assistance is being provided to the exporters under the Market Development Assistance Scheme and the Market Access Initiative Scheme, for enhancing market share in existing markets and for exploring new markets.

(c): The details of production of Textiles products during 2010-11 (Provisional) are tabulated below given annexure.

(d) & (e): The modernization and development of textiles and clothing industry is being pursued by the Government through various Plan Schemes viz. Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme, Integrated Skill Development Scheme, Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development, Knitwear Technology Mission as well as Schemes for Development of Handloom Clusters and Handicraft Clusters.

(f): The sanction, disbursement and monitoring of expenditure of funds allotted for the development of textiles and clothing sector is strictly enforced in terms of the General Financial Rules of the Government as well as other statutory audit and accounting procedures.