

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the demand and production of cotton during each of the last three years and the current year; and
(b) the impact of higher minimum support price of cotton over the export of textiles during the said period?

Answer

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

(a): The balance sheet showing demands and production of last three years and the current years is given below:-

(Lakh bales of 170 kgs. each)

COTTON YEAR (OCTOBER -SEPTEMBER)

SUPPLY 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09

Opening Stock 72.00 52.00 47.50 43.00

Production 241.00 280.00 315.00 290.00

Import 5.00 5.53 6.50 7.00

TOTAL SUPPLY 318.00 337.53 369.00 340.00

DEMAND

Mill Consumption 180.00 194.89 203.00 195.00

Small Mill Consumption 19.00 21.26 23.00 20.00

Non Mill Consumption 20.00 15.88 15.00 15.00

Total Consumption 219.00 232.03 241.00 230.00

Export 47.00 58.00 85.00 50.00

Total disappearance 266.00 290.00 326.00 280.00

Carry forward 52.00 47.50 43.00 60.00

Source: Cotton Advisory Board (estimated)

(b): Higher MSP has affected the cost structure of raw cotton being offered in international market. The disparity in domestic cotton as compared to International prices and reduction in cotton consumption by the major importing countries due to global economic slow down, has affected the cotton exports from the country.