

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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USE OF BT COTTON

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the types of fabric in which cotton grown from BT cotton is being used presently and steps being taken by the Government to increase the use of the said cotton;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to purchase the said cotton directly from the BT cotton growers in various parts in the country so that the pitiable condition of the farmers can be improved; and
- (c) the State-wise quantum of cotton procured directly from the farmers by the Government during the last five years?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): Most of Indian Cotton is BT Cotton, which is widely used in the fabric manufacture in the country. Cotton Corporation of India conducts MSP operations when prices fall below MSP rates. State-wise data on MSP operations conducted by Cotton Corporation of India is at Annexure-I.