

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TEXTILE RESEARCH LABORATORIES
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the textile research laboratories set up during the last three years and the current year along with the research work carried out in such laboratories to promote textile industry;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more such laboratories and also upgrade/enhance research facilities available in the existing textile research laboratories to compete with international standards; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the development and training works undertaken in such laboratories during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 392 for answer on 22.4.2013 by Shrimati Susmita Bauri and Shri Nishikant Dubey regarding Textile Research Laboratories

(a) During the last three years and current year, 4 Centres of Excellence for Technical Textiles have been set up through the Ministry of Textiles:-

S.No.	Name	Location	Field of research setting up	Year of
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1.	Ahmedabad Textile Industries Research Association (ATIRA)	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Composites	2011
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2.	DKTE Textiles & Engineering Institute	Ichalkaranji, Maharashtra	Non-woven	2011
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3.	PSG College of Technology	Coimbatore, Tamilnadu	Industrial textiles	2011
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4.	Wool Research Association (WRA)	Thane, Maharashtra	Sport technical textiles	2012
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The above CoEs carry out research work in their respective field as per the requirement of textile industries.

(b) No, Madam. There is no proposal to set up more laboratories. Presently, textile related research under the ambit of Ministry of Textiles is undertaken by 8 Textile Research Associations (TRAs), 8 Centres of Excellence (COE) supported under the Technology

Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) and laboratories primarily engaged in testing and certification under the Textiles Committee. Under the Research & Development Scheme and Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) of Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, continuous efforts are being made to upgrade/enhance the research facilities with the mandate to encourage research and development in the area of textiles.

(c) During the last three years and current year, the 8 TRAs have undertaken over 50 research and development projects. The 8 Centres of Excellence for Technical Textiles have developed 59 product prototypes, supported 43 incubation activities and undertaken over 90 training programmes for 3200 persons. The Textile Committee has published 10 (ten) research papers in various reputed national and international journals. The State-wise list of the laboratories is enclosed at Annexure-I.