GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TEXTILES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2000 ANSWERED ON:19.08.2013 PROMOTION OF TEXTILES IN NORTH EASTERN REGION Mahto Shri Baidyanath Prasad

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make a separate policy for promotion of textiles for the North Eastern Region of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the same, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of textile parks under the Integrated Textile Parks (ITPs) set up/proposed to be set up in the North Eastern Region?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes Madam. The Ministry proposes a project-based strategy for the North East Region under an umbrella scheme by name "North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS)" to be implemented during the 12th Plan. This umbrella scheme will be implemented in the North East Region in addition to the regular schemes of the Ministry.
- (b): The broad objective of the North East Textile Promotion Scheme is to develop and modernise the textile sector in the North East Region by providing the required Government support in terms of raw material, seed banks, machinery, common facility centres, skill development, design and marketing support etc. The salient features of the scheme is enclosed at Annexure.
- (c): The Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) is a demand driven scheme. One Textile Park "Edison Integrated Textile Park" in Agartala, Tripura has been sanctioned in October 2011.

Annexure

Salient feature of the North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS)

A project-based implementation strategy for all the North East States will be followed so as to provide region-specific flexibility in project design and implementation. The Government of India has taken various policy initiatives and scheme interventions which will be adopted to achieve the objectives of the scheme:-

- (i) Textile clusters and parks will be developed where the norms of size of clusters or minimum number of households or area limits of the regular schemes will not apply.
- (ii) Marketing and promotion of textile products will be encouraged by exposure visits to the existing or new clusters/ parks, so that inputs to expand or modify their product lines are accessible.
- (iii) Design studies linked to Common Facility Centres (CFCs)/tool sheds will be entertained and design consultants will be engaged. The design input will be periodically reviewed and if necessary, the designer will be changed to facilitate fresh design inputs.
- (iv) Comprehensive Project for upgradation of powerloom units with modern shuttleless looms on hire purchase and projects for technology upgradation of the existing powerloom /handlooms units on the lines of scheme for insitu upgradation of powerlooms and TUFs for powerloom upgradation.
- (v) Skill development projects and projects for the development of sericulture, handicrafts, handlooms and other textile activities.