

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:165
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2014
DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL TEXTILES SECTOR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched schemes for the growth and development of Technical Textiles Sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the funds allocated and utilised under various schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has given special focus to research and development facilities in technical textiles sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure incurred by the Government during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

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

STATEMENT REFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 165 FOR ANSWER ON 04.12.2014 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL TEXTILES SECTOR.

(a): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Textiles has launched following schemes for promotion and growth of technical textiles:-

- (i). Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT)
- (ii). Scheme for Strengthening of Database and Standards for Technical Textiles
- (iii). Scheme for usage of Agrotextiles in North East Region
- (iv). Other Schemes like Revised Restructured Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (RRTUFS), Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS) etc.

(b): 1. TECHNOLOGY MISSION ON TECHNICAL TEXTILES (TMTT):

Ministry of Textiles has launched Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) with two mini- missions for a period of five years from 2010-11 to 2014-15 with a total fund outlay of Rs. 200 crore during December 2010 with the objectives of standardization, creating common testing facilities with national / international accreditation, indigenous development of prototypes and resource centres with I.T. infrastructure and also support for domestic & export market development of technical textiles.

2. SCHEME FOR STRENGTHENING OF DATABASE AND STANDARDS FOR TECHNICAL TEXTILES:

The scheme is aimed at creating a repository of know ledge that will facilitate effective policy decisions by the government and business decisions by industry stake- holders. Under this scheme Ministry of Textiles is conducting Baseline survey for Strengthening of Database of Technical Textile industry.

3. SCHEME FOR USAGE OF AGROTEXTILES IN NORTH EAST REGION:

Ministry of Textiles, Government of India has launched a Scheme for Usage of Agrotextiles in North-Eastern Region in the 12th five year plan with an outlay of Rs. 55 crore. The aim is to encourage utilization of Agrotextiles in improving the Agriculture, horticulture & floricultural produce of the N-E states through awareness programmes, Development of Agrotextile products suitably customized for use in the North-Eastern region and Creating demonstration set-up depicting the benefit of usage of Agrotextile products suitable for the region.

Scheme-wise Funds allocated and utilised during each of the last three years and the current year

Rs. in Crore

S. Name Total 2011-12 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15
 No. of the fund
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2. Scheme 55 - - 0.32 0.32 BE 18 Nil 10 5.34
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 usage of Agro
 textiles in North
 East Region

till 28.11.2014
 ## The scheme was approved during December 2012 (2012-13)

4. Other Schemes:

- i. Major machinery for manufacture of technical textiles has been covered under Revised Restructured Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (RRTUFS) for 5% Interest Reimbursement and 10% capital subsidy.
- ii. Under the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), the Government provides assistance for creation of infrastructure in the parks to the extent of 40% limited to Rs.40 crore. Technical textile units can also avail benefits under this Scheme
- iii. The major machinery for production of technical textiles is covered in the concessional customs duty list of 5%.
- iv. Specified technical textile products are covered under Focus Product Scheme. Under this scheme, exports of these products are entitled for duty credit scrip equivalent to 2% of FOB value of exports

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Under Mini-Mission-II of Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT), fund support is being provided for contract research wherein the Technical Textile manufacturing unit can approach any Govt. Approved Research Centres such as TRAs, IITs, Govt./Govt. Aided Institutions/ Recognized Engineering colleges, etc. and take up their contract research. Under this intervention, so far 5 Contract Research projects have been approved with a total cost of Rs.127.23 lakhs with Government support of Rs. 75.12 lakhs.

Further, Ministry of Textiles have established eight COEs in different segments. These CoEs have facilities for indigenous development of prototypes, Incubation Centre etc.