

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3683
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POWERLOOM INDUSTRIES
Azad Shri Kirti (JHA)

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the powerloom industries are camouflaging themselves as handloom industries by manufacturing products with slight defects to add authenticity and thereby availing subsidies and contracts reserved for the handloom industries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether large/bulk orders are being placed at the last minute with handloom industries to undermine them, thereby creating an escape clause for powerloom industries to take over; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): No, Madam. No such incidents have come to the notice of the Government.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): No such incidents have come to the notice of the Government.
- (d): Does not arise.