

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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Employment in Textile Sector  
Kher Smt. Kirron

**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the employment in textile sector is expected to double by the year 2022, with a projection of 60-65 million workers and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has further assessed the need for technological upgradation and training in the sector across the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government is planning to integrate training in information and communication technology for better marketing of textile products and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Madam. As per report of the Working Group on Textile & Jute Industry, National Skill Development Council(NSDC) has projected the overall employment for the Textile and Clothing sector to reach about 60 to 62 million by the year 2022. The details are at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): For the purpose of technology upgradation and Modernization of Textile Industry, Government is implementing the Technology Upgradation Funds Schemes (TUFS). Under this scheme Government provide capital/ Interest subsidy to entrepreneurs to attract investment from them for upgradation and Modernization of Textile Industry. Budget allocation of Rs. 11952.80 crore has been made under the Technology Upgradation Fund scheme during the 12th Five Year Plan. Further Government is implementing the Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS) with focus on creating and enhancing skill required for textile sector. Under the scheme, the target is to train 15 lacs persons in the 12th FYP. The scheme is being implemented pan India through three components i.e. institutions of Ministry, Industry partners through PPP mode and State Government agencies. Government has also sanctioned the setting up of common facility centers at block level to provide training, designs support for product development, IT enabled facilities, etc. to support weavers and Self Help Groups. Further, to provide e-marketing platform to handloom weavers, Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles has signed MOU with M/s Flipkart Internet Pvt. Ltd., a leading online market service provider.