

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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COCOON MARKETING CENTRE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to establish a Cocoon marketing centre in Arani in Tamil Nadu which is famous for silk sarees;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if, not the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a): No, Madam. There is no proposal to establish any Cocoon Marketing Centre at Arani, in Tamil Nadu.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): Cocoon Marketing Centre is a requirement in either a cocoon growing area or silk reeling area. Arani does not have silkworm rearing and silk reeling activity and hence does not need a Cocoon Marketing Centre. However, Arani is a famous silk handloom weaving cluster and is having a well established silk yarn marketing system operated by TANSILK (an agency run by the Govt. of Tamil Nadu) to meet the raw material requirement of the cluster.