## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TEXTILES LOK SABHA

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Technological Advancement in Textile Sector
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## Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the textile sector is witnessing sluggish growth on account of technological constraints and other reasons, and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented for the development, technological advancement and revival of sick units of textile sector across the country;
- (c) the number of textile units benefited from the said schemes /programmes during the last two years and the current year, State/ UT-wise and Scheme/ Programme-wise;
- (d) the details of the funds provided under the said schemes/programmes during the above period, State/UT-wise and Scheme/Programme-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government has received complaints of irregularities/malpractices in the implementation of schemes/programmes during the above period and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARAS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. \*228 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 01.12.2016.

(a): There are no visible signs of sluggish growth in the textile sector on account of technological constraints as may be seen from the figures given for production, exports and installed capacity of textile items in the last 3 years and the current year in the statement below:-

Items Unit 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 April-Sep (Prov.) 2015-16 2016-17

Manmade fibre (Production) Mn. Kg. 1,307 1,344 1,347 648 698

Spun yarn (Production) Mn. Kg. 5,309 5,488 5,665 2,852 2,883

Man made filament yarn (Production) Mn. Kg. 1,293 1,248 1,164 581 574

Fabrics (Production) Mn. Sq. mtr 63,500 65,276 65,505 32,669 33,196

Exports of all textile items US \$ Billion 37.6 37.7 36.7 15.3\* 14.4\*

Spindles Million No 49.46 50.16 51.2 52.25 50.65 Rotors Thousand no. 814 834 860 871 843

## \*(April-Aug) (Prov.)

Except for the production of Man made filament yarn, there has been no decrease in production and installed capacity during the last three years. The export of textile has seen only a marginal decline.

- (b): Ministry implements various schemes for the development of handloom, handicrafts, infrastructure, skill development, special package for garments, price support as well as for technological advancement. The schemes specifically implemented for the technological advancement of the textile sector include Ammended Technology upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS), Insitu upgradation of Powerloom, Technology Mission for Technical Textiles (TMTT), Scheme for Usage of Agrotextiles in North East Region and Scheme for Promoting Usage of Geotechnical Textiles in North-Eastern Region. Details are placed at Annexure-I. There is no plan scheme for revival of sick textile units
- (c) & (d): The state wise releases made under TUFS, Powerlooms TMTT, Scheme for usage of Agro Textiles and Geo Textiles in the last two years and current year is given at Annexure II(i) to II (iii).
- (e): The details of complaints of irregularities/malpractices in the implementation of the schemes received during the last two years and the current year are at Annexure-III. As part of the corrective steps to check recurrence of irregularities, Ministry has adopted a

transparent process of sanction and monitoring of the scheme through a web based MIS i.e. FTUFS and a PAN based identification of beneficiary units. A revised implementation mechanism is put in place wherein fund releases are based on physical inspection of machinery installed by joint inspection teams.