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Title: Need to take steps to revive Mysore Silk Weaving Factory in Karnataka- Laid.

SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR (MYSORE) : I would like to draw the attention of the Government of India to the plight of the employees of Mysore Silk Weaving factory which was established in 1932 by Late Shri Jaya Chamarajendra Wadiyar, the then Maharaja of Mysore. Since then the factory was producing exclusive silk fabrics which are very famous in whole of India and have great demand in the International market. Besides the factory was able to provide livelihood to thousands of local people. It was all along earning profit. But the situation changed a few years after the KSIC took over the factory. It started incurring losses every year. The matter was referred to BIFR in 1997. After long deliberations, presently BIFR has served show cause notice to KSIC for winding up the factory.

In case the factory is closed, around 2500 families and their dependants numbering to 20,000 people would be affected. This will have an adverse effect on the economy of the whole of old Mysore region.

I urge upon the Government of India to take immediate steps to revive the factory without further delay.