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Title: Need to ban the export of waste cotton.

SHRI S.K. KHARVENTHAN : Sir, the waste cotton is nothing but a salvage of cotton derived from the spinning units. The waste cotton alone is being used as a raw material to manufacture coarse variety of cotton yarns varying from 2 counts to 20 counts by Open End Spinning Mills. The yarns made from waste cotton are used as raw material for handloom sectors for producing bed-sheets, towels and other variety of products. The textile mills in this country are exporting the waste cotton. As a result, the open-end mills are at the verge of closure and naturally, the handlooms and powerlooms are totally affected. It has resulted in lakhs and lakhs of labourers losing their jobs. So, they are undergoing agitation in Tamil Nadu, particularly in Chennimalai, and some parts of my district. Hence, I urge upon the Union Government to ban the export of waste cotton by the spinning mills.[\[SS14\]](#)