

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2938
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.01.2018

INCREASE IN TEXTILE EXPORT

2938. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether export of textiles has increased from the country during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating a special policy to promote export of items other than garments such as handicrafts, handlooms and cotton made-products and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating an integrated scheme for textiles and garments and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the steps taken by the Government to bring improvement in handicrafts in Bundelkhand?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a): Export of textiles and apparels from the country to the rest of the world have hovered around 40 billion US dollars in the last three years. Exports for the period April to October 2017-18 showed an increase of 2.9% over the same period of 2016-17.

(b): In order to increase India's competitiveness in exports items other than garments, the Union Cabinet has extended the special package to boost employment generation and exports in the apparel sector to the made-ups sector in December 2016. In addition, interest subvention is provided at 3% per annum for pre and post shipment credit and duty drawback is provided on exports. Exports are promoted on a sustained basis under the Market Access Initiative Scheme (MAI). Government has also enhanced the rates under the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) from 2% to 4% on made ups w.e.f 1st November 2017 till 30th June 2018. Additional MEIS provided to the textiles sector includes Rs. 2,743 crore for Ready-made Garments and Made-ups and Rs.921 crore for handmade carpets of silk, handloom, coir and jute products. Textile India 2017, India's first ever mega textiles trade fair was organised in Gandhinagar from 30th June to 2nd July 2017 to promote export and to attract investments in the textile sector.

(c): Although there is no integrated scheme for textiles and garments at present, there are various individual schemes for capacity building, skill development, technology upgradation and for development of infrastructure.

(d): Government implements various schemes for promotion and development of handicrafts in the country including Bundelkhand under National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP) and comprehensive handicraft development scheme (CHCDS) with the following components:

NHDP

1. Dastkar Shaktikaran under Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojna
2. Design and Technology Upgradation
3. Human Resource Development
4. Direct Benefit to Artisans
5. Infrastructure and Technology Support
6. Research and Development
7. Marketing Support & Services (MSS)

CHCDS

1. Mega Cluster
2. Special projects under Integrated Development and Promotion Handicraft
