

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3828
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03/01/2019

“STATUS OF TEXTILE AND CLOTHING SECTOR”

3828. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

Will the Minister of Textiles वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the textile and clothing sector is passing through difficult phase and has been badly affected;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of segments that have performed well in Textile and Clothing sectors during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and segment-wise;
- (d) whether the export of clothing and textile has been badly affected due to global gloom, if so, the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the situation and boost the exports from the country; and
- (e) whether the export of handicraft including handmade carpets have shown negative growth compared to last two to three years, if so, the details thereof, and the steps taken by the Government to push the exports of the said items?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)
MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) to (c) No, Madam. Except for Man made filament yarn, other sectors as shown below has observed growth in the year 2018-19(Apr-Oct) as compared to 2017-18 during the same period. The performance of major textile sectors in terms of production for the last three years and current year is given below:

Item	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18 (Apr-Oct)	2018-19 (Apr-Oct) (Prov.)	% change 2018-19 over 2017-18
Spun Yarn (Million Kg)	5665	5659	5680	3299	3452	4.6
Man made fibre (Million Kg)	1347	1364	1319	791	850	7.5
Man made filament yarn (Million Kg)	1164	1159	1187	702	678	-3.4
Estimated Cloth Production (Million Sq.Mtr)	65505	64421	67779	38964	41110	5.6

(d): No, Madam. In order to boost exports of textile and apparel products, the Government announced Special Package of Rs. 6000 crores in 2016 for garments and made-ups sectors. The package offers Rebate of State Levies (RoSL), labour law reforms, additional incentives under Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) and relaxation of Section 80JJAA of Income Tax Act. Further, the rates under Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) have been enhanced from 2% to 4% for apparel, 5% to 7% for made-ups, handloom and handicrafts w.e.f. 1st November 2017. Products such as fibre, yarn and fabric in the textile value chain are being strengthened and made competitive through various schemes, inter alia, Powertex for fabric segment, ATUFS for all segments except spinning, Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) for all segments, etc. Assistance is provided to exporters under Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme. Further, Government has enhanced interest equalization rate for pre and post shipment credit for the textile sector from 3% to 5% w.e.f. 02.11.2018.

(e): Yes, Madam. There is a marginal decline in 2017-18 as compared to last two to three years i.e 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15. The details of the exports during the last four years is as under:-

Rs. In Crores.

Item/ Year wise Export	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Handicrafts	20082.54	21557.12	24392.40	23029.35
Carpet & other Floor covering	8441.95	9481.40	10001.87	9205.90
Total	28524.49	31038.52	34394.27	32235.25

The efforts made by the Government to boost the sale and export of Handicrafts and Handmade Carpet are as under:-

- i. Participation in fairs/exhibitions abroad;
- ii. Thematic display and live demonstration of handicrafts in exhibitions abroad;
- iii. Organizing buyer-seller meets in India and abroad;
- iv. Brand image promotion of Indian handicrafts abroad through seminars and publicity;
- v. Awareness programmes about technology, packaging and export policies in India to exporters;
- vi. Organizing Indian Handicrafts & Gifts Fairs as well as product specific shows; and
- vii. Providing assistance under Market Development Assistance and Market Access Initiative Schemes of Ministry of Commerce.
- viii. International publicity campaign for overseas buyers.
- ix. E-Marketing of Handicrafts products.
- x. Setting up warehouse & showrooms of handicrafts & carpets abroad to capture untapped market.