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dustries Departments of Delhi Administration.

- (c) It has been reported that out of 78 members/stores/societies, the 14 are under liquidation.
- (d) The accounts of the said Federation have been audited upto 1987-88 by the Chartered Accounts appointed by the Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Delhi. While the audit report has pointed out deficiencies/irregularities in the maintenance of books of accounts of the Federation, but has not established that the books of accounts are bogus or fictitious.
- (e) to (g). In view of above, does not arise

[English]

## Study by Textile Committee

- 6419. SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Market Research Wing of Textile Committee has carried out studies with regard to the Consumer purchases of Textiles:
- (b) if so, the salient features of recommendations so made; and
  - (c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) The Market Research Wing of the Textiles Committee has been conducting survey on a continuous basis for collecting data on Consumer Purchases of Textiles from sample households spread over various urban and rural centres in the country.

- (b) No recommendations are made by the Textiles Committee in the reports published on Consumer Purchases of Textiles
- (c) Estimates of consumption of textiles are utilised by various government departments, research organisations and industry for further studies. These estimates are also utilised by the Indian Statistical Institute for estimation of consumption of clothings for national accounts statistics.

[Translation]

## Institutes of Fashion Technology

- 6420. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the National Institute of Fashion Technology is the only institute of its kind in the country;
- (b) whether Government proposes to open more such institutes in the country; and
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) and (c) Though, the Government does not propose to open more such institutions in the country, NIFT has been catering to regional needs by conducting short-term courses ranging from period of 2 weeks to 4 months in garment producing Centres such as Bombay, Bangalore, Ahmedabad, Madras, Ludhiana and Tiripura. These courses include garment production, garment design, marketing and merchandising. NIFT proposes to hold more such Courses subject to availability of funds.