

(Rs. crores)

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85 (April-December '84)
Cotton Fabrics	83.08	79.09	78.91
Cotton Made-ups	39.49	46.06	43.66
Cotton Garments	130.40	98.40	26.78
Silk & Others	78.31	96.20	96.83
TOTAL	331.37	319.75	246.18

(b) Export figures for individual States are not maintained.

Difficulties faced by Ship-breaking Industry

191. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that the ship-breaking industry is facing difficulties due to non-availability of yards and non-cooperation by State Governments and by M. S. T. C; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to save the industry from closure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Alang? Ship-breaking yard

192. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of old ships/ vessels received at the ship-breaking yard at Alang in Bhavnagar district of Gujarat between 1st January 1981 and 31st March 1985 and how many of them have been broken and how many still remain to be broken;

(b) what facilities have been provided to 'ship breaking industry so far;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is scope for the establishment of ship-breaking yard/industry in Kutch and other parts of Gujarat; and

(d) if so, what are the plans in this regard under consideration by the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Till 31st March 1985, 95 vessels were allotted to ship-breaking units at Alang in Bhavnagar District of Gujarat. 70 vessels have been broken completely and remaining 25 are under breaking.

(b) Metal Scrap Trade Corporation Limited as a canalising agency has ensured imports of foreign flag ships for scrapping at competitive prices and their equitable distribution amongst the ship-breaking units in the country. Besides, MSTO has provided financial assistance in the snap* of bill discounting facility and technical assistance to the ship-breaking industry.

(c) and (d) No proposal has been received from the Government of Gujarat in this regard.

Closed textile mills- in Gujarat

193. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some textile mills were closed in Gujarat between the period 1980 to 1984;