

Export of Textiles

677. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of average exports made by the textiles industry annually during the last years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the average wages of workers in textile industry are less than those of the textile workers in all other countries except Cambodia;

(c) if so, the facts in this regard; and

(d) the details of remunerations paid to textile workers in USA, Pakistan, Western countries, Japan, China, Sri Lanka including India?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA): (a) As per Directorate General of Commerce Intelligence & Statistics (DGCi&S) data, the textile exports during the last three years i.e. 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 has been as given below:—

Year	Value (In US\$ million)
April 2001-March 2002	10764.7
April 2002-March 2003	12412.7
April 2003-March 2004	13159.5

(b) to (d) No, Sir. As per a study done by Cotton Textile Export Promotion Council (Texprocil), average wages of workers in Indian textile industry during the period October 2001 to March 2002 was higher at \$0.50 per hour compared to \$0.39 in Pakistan, \$0.37 in Sri Lanka, \$0.23 in Bangladesh and \$0.34 in Indonesia.

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