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18	Foreign Investment Promotion Scheme (FDI)	10.00
19	Human Resources Development	126.68
20	Textile Engineering including Jute	0.00
21	Technical Textiles including Jute	76.00
22	Cotton Technology Mission (CSS)	0.00
SUB TOTAL (B)		5545.26
GRAND TOTAL (A+B)		6860.46 **

** Note: Subsequently the M/o Textiles has sought allocation of Rs. 7000.00 crore.

National fibre policy for uniform tax

1676. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated a National Fibre Policy which is aimed at ending the tax disparity between cotton and man-made synthetic fibre;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been a substantial reduction in excise duty on man-made fibre while cotton is exempted from excise duties; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The Government of India has formulated the Draft National Fibre Policy designed with a decadal perspective of 2010-20, to place India firmly on the World Fibre map by strengthening the existing policy framework and providing institutional and technological support for rapid fibre growth in the country. The Policy is yet to be approved by the Cabinet.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Development of Orissa as a tourist destination

1677. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state: