

Loss of jobs in textile sector

2752. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

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SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the recent report of Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC), 45 lakh people have lost their jobs in textile sector during last two years;
- (b) if so, the State-wise, details thereof;
- (c) the reasons why workers in textile sector are continuously losing their job;
- (d) whether Government will conduct any survey in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the measures Government will take in response to the report of AEPC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No Sir, Apparel exports increased from USD 9 billion to USD 14 billion in last two years. No such report of Apparel Export Promotion Council is available with Government indicating job losses.

(b) to (g) Does not arise.

Loan waiver scheme for handloom sector

2753. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:

SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched loan waiver scheme for the benefit of Handloom Weavers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of funds sanctioned to each State and funds released so far for the past two years; and

(d) the State-wise number of weavers benefited by this loan waiver scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The Government has approved "Revival, Reform & Restructuring Package for Handloom Sector" having financial implication of Rs. 3884 crore on 24.11.2011. Of this Rs. 3884 crore, share of Government of India is Rs. 3137 crore and that of State Governments Rs. 747 crore. The Package covers loan waiver of 100% of principal and 25% of interest, which is overdue as on 31.03.2010 in respect of eligible individual handloom weavers and weavers cooperative societies. Interest subsidy of 3% for 3 years is also extended with guarantee for the fresh loans sanctioned by the banks to individual weavers and the handloom cooperative societies covered by the loan waiver. The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) is the implementing agency.

(c) and (d) The quantum of funds sanctioned to each State is given in Statement (*See below*).

The funds released (State-wise) so far is detailed below:

*Progress of Implementation of Financial Package for Loan
Waiver of Handloom Sector*

Release by NABARD									
Sl. No.	Name of State	Apex Societies No.	Societies Amount (Rs. Crore)	Primary Societies No.	Societies Amount (Rs. Crore)	Societies Total	Individual Weavers No.	Weavers Amount (Rs. Crore)	Total (Rs. Crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh								10.00
2	Gujarat	2	1.15			1.15			1.15
3	Kerala			60	16.03	16.03	2	0.01	16.04
4	Uttarakhand			1	0.19	0.19	42	0.06	0.25
	TOTAL	2	1.15	61	16.22	17.37	44	0.07	27.44

Statement*State-wise Estimated Overdue Loan waiver and
Number of Beneficiaries*

Sl. No.	Name of State	Overdue amount (Rs. crore)	Beneficiaries	
			No. of Societies	No. of Households in debt
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	506.64	1420	83841
2	Assam	72.93	2775	24752
3	Uttar Pradesh	499.38	3860	3259
4	Tamil Nadu	548.35	1224	21730
5	Kerala	557.16	758	7441
6	Orissa	320.69	720	10345
7	Meghalaya	2.56	0	100
8	Arunachal Pradesh	2.09	0	167
9	Chhattisgarh	34.7	270	243
10	Karnataka	41.73	658	9449
11	Madhya Pradesh	66.91	531	56
12	West Bengal	420.66	0	136521
13	Himachal Pradesh	2.03	193	78
14	Maharashtra	128.35	120	138
15	Bihar	20.88	1089	462
16	Tripura	17.92	9	297
17	Mizoram	1.76	162	289
18	<i>Other States</i>			
(i)	Delhi			23
(ii)	Gujarat			147
(iii)	Haryana			23

1	2	3	4	5
(iv)	Jharkhand			27
(v)	Jammu and Kashmir			3783
(vi)	Manipur	276.24		1429
(vii)	Nagaland		1528	156
(viii)	Pondicherry			565
(ix)	Punjab			2
(x)	Rajasthan			770
(xi)	Sikkim			9
(xii)	Uttaranchal			183
TOTAL		3520.98	15317	306285

Trends in production of textiles

2754. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the trends in the production of textiles including fiber, filament and spun yarn during last three years;
- (b) whether this reveals a declining trend;
- (c) if so, the details of the reasons for this decline; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to augment production of these items in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Cotton production has increased from 305 lac bales in 2009-10 to 339 lac bales in 2010-11 and an estimated 353 lac bales in 2011-12. Cotton yarn production has varied from 3079 million Kg in 2009-10 to 3490 million Kg in 2010-11 and an estimated 3126 million kg in 2011-12.

(b) A decline was witnessed in cotton yarn production in 2011-12 due to stress levels of Textiles industry. The trend has been reversed in 2012-13.

(c) The production of cotton yarn declined in 2011-12 due to sudden crash in prices of cotton/cotton yarn leaving industry with high cost inventories.