

Technology Mission (d) Assistance under Technological Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS).

Production target of textile industry

2605. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that textile industry is the 2nd largest employer after agriculture in the country, providing employment directly and indirectly to millions of people;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the production target as per the Report of the Working Group on Textiles and Jute Industry for Eleventh Five Year Plan and the achievement made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Textiles sector provides employment to over 35 million workers.

(c) The production target set and achieved during the Eleventh Five Year Plan are as under:-

Sl.No.	Items	Units	Eleventh Plan	
			Target	Achievement
1.	Man-made Fibre	Mn.Kg	7320	5840
2.	Production Spun Yarn	Mn.Kg	26310	21193
3.	Production of Filament Yarn	Mn.Kg	8784	7463
4.	Cloth Production	Bn. Sq. Mtrs	355.1	291.8

Shortfall in cotton production

2606. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortfall in estimated production of cotton in India as per the estimated world production;