

Deviation of NTC from its envisaged policies

1645. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the working of National Textile Corporation (NTC) is not satisfactory and is detrimental to the very aim of its inception;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Ministry is of the view that NTC is deviating from its envisaged policies and that is why its country-wide show-rooms are running into losses and closing down subsequently; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to bring the NTC back onto its track and improve the reliability on the working of NTC to the satisfaction of the earmarked goals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No Sir. Department of Public Enterprises has rated the performance of NTC as Good in 2011-12 and Very good in 2012-13.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) National Textile Corporation is not deviating from its envisaged policy to rehabilitate and modernize sick textile mills after takeover and expand them wherever necessary with a view to make them economically viable. The country wide showrooms went into losses due to location, lack of infrastructure, dilapidated look, low presence of adequate merchandise etc. The company has prepared comprehensive plan for revamping its showrooms, and work is on track for 22 showrooms identified for revamping in the 1st phase.

(d) On account of obsolete technology, excessive manpower, poor productivity etc. National Textiles Corporation and its subsidiaries were referred to Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) during 1992 to 2005. All subsidiaries were merged in one holding company in 2006. Now, NTC is implementing BIFR approved modified revival scheme (MS-08), on self financing basis through sale of assets of unviable mills and surplus assets of viable mills, under which 21 mills have been modernized and 1 mill is slated to be set up as technical textiles in Udaipur. 2 mills have been partially revived by NTC itself and 5 mills are being managed through joint venture route.