(b) Position of increase in the export of cotton textile during each of the last three years and the current year is given below:-

	Export Date (Value in ₹ cr.)						
Commodities	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15 (Apr-Sep)			
Cotton Yarn	14261.69	19222.85	27617.48	11098.01			
Cotton Fabrics, Made ups	21557.94	25629.34	31045.83	16784.04			
RMG Cotton including accessories	46193.28	45938.39	55092.95	27849.35			

The details of target fixed and achievements made for the export of readymade garments during the said period is given below:-

									In USD Million
	2011-12			2012-13		_	2013-14		2014-15
Targets	Achieve- ments	% age	Targets	Achieve- ments	% age	Targets	Achieve- ments	% age	Targets Achieve- % age ments
28130	32945.16	117.12	31000	34930.05	112.67	34000	39450.63	116.03	37000 14153.80 38.25

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Written Answers to

Incentives to cotton producers in Gujarat

3147.SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- the production of cotton in Gujarat during the last four years, year-wise;
- (b) the quantity of cotton purchased by Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. during the said period; and
- (c) the incentives being given and are proposed to be given to the cotton producers of the State by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Details of the cotton produced in Gujarat during the last four years and quantity of cotton purchased by Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI) during the said period is given below:-

Purchased in lakh bales of 170kg each

Cotton Season	Total Production in Gujarat	Total Procurement of Cotton by CCI in Gujarat
2010-2011	106.20	2.34
2011-2012	122.00	2.17
2012-2013	93.00	0.02
2013-2014	124.00	0.75

- (c) Steps undertaken to promote cotton farming include:-
- (i) Fixing Minimum Support Price (MSP) for cotton and undertaking MSP operations as per requirement;
- (ii) Under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) Commercial Crops (CC) (Cotton) programme, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation provides assistance for production and distribution of seeds, fierd demonstrations, farmers' training, use of water saving devices, integrated pest management etc. NFSM-CC (Cotton) is being implemented in 15 major cotton growing states including Gujarat and also provides assistance for trials on High Density Planting System (HDPS), frontline demonstrations on inter-cropping, Extra Long Staple (ELS)/Desi Cotton, besides programme on Insecticides Resistance Management (IRM) and Online Pest Monitoring & Advisory Services (OPMAS) through State Departments of Agriculture, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), State Agricultural Universities (SAUs), Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) etc.

Pension scheme for old age weavers

3148.SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is considering introduction of a pension scheme for providing assistance to old age weavers; and
- (b) whether Government would take necessary steps for providing financial assistance of ₹600.00 lakhs for setting up of Handloom and Handicraft Museum at Bhubaneswar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) No, Sir.