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SHRI SANJEEV ARORA (Punjab): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, for giving me permission to speak on a very important issue. It is regarding textile industry which is one of the largest employers in the country. The textile industry is going through a very bad phase. It is running at around 50 per cent on an average capacity nationwide. An immediate action is required from the Textile Ministry and the Finance Ministry. More than 45 million workers are directly employed by the industry, not to talk about indirect beneficiaries. We are staring at a huge unemployment on our way and also huge amount of NPAs in the shape of bad loans. To save the industry, we need to make import of cotton and polyester fibre cheaper, rather it should be duty free, and anti-dumping duty should be imposed on duty free imports of polyester yarn from the countries falling under Asian FTA. This request has been made by all the associations many times. I have also personally requested the hon. Finance Minister before also. Export incentives need to be given which should be unprecedented. There is a need to help the industry and also further help to 'Make in India' mission by making raw material cheaper and finished products costlier to get into this country. Thank you, Sir.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The following hon. Members associated themselves with the matter raised by the hon. Member, Shri Sanjeev Arora: Dr. L. Hanumanthaiah (Karnataka), Dr. Amar Patnaik (Odisha), Dr. Sasmit Patra (Odisha), Shri Abir Ranjan Biswas (West Bengal), Dr. Ashok Kumar Mittal (Punjab), Shri M. Shanmugam (Tamil Nadu), Shri Sandeep Kumar Pathak (Punjab), Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta (National Capital Territory of Delhi), Dr. John Brittas (Kerala), Dr. Santanu Sen (West Bengal) and Dr. Fauzia Khan (Maharashtra).