

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.\*377  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2019

SILK PRODUCTION

\*377. SHRI SELVAM G:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of silk produced in the country particularly in Tamil Nadu during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has failed to achieve the targets fixed for the growth of silk production and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the details of export of silk and its products during the said period, country-wise and foreign exchange earned therefrom along with the names of importing countries;
- (d) the amount of funds allocated by the Government for the production of silk during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to take steps to ensure price stabilization of cocoon to protect the silk growers, if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति जूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES  
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

**(a) to (e):** A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. \*377 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2019**

**(a):** Raw silk production in the country along with Tamil Nadu during last three years is given below:

State	(MT)		
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Country	30348	31906	35468
Tamil Nadu	1914	1984	2072

The state-wise production of raw silk during each of last three years is given in **Annexure-I**.

**(b):** Country has shown increasing trend in production of silk over the years. There is Marginal shortage in achievement against the targets set.

The details of achievement made in silk production against the target during last three years are given below:

Year	Target (MT)	Achievement (MT)	% achievement
2016-17	32000	30348	94.8
2017-18	33840	31906	94.3
2018-19	35960	35468	98.6

The main reasons for marginal shortfall in production is urbanisation in traditional silk producing states and deficient/erratic rain fall.

**(c):** The details of export earnings from silk goods and country-wise foreign exchange earned for last three years are given below:

**Export earnings from silk during 2016-17 to 2018-19**

Items	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
	Crore Rs.	Mn.US \$	Crore Rs.	Mn.US \$	Crore Rs.	Mn.US \$
Cocoons	0.32	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.002
Raw Silk	0.44	0.07	-	-	1.36	0.19
Silk Yarn	14.57	2.17	15.61	2.42	23.34	3.35
Fabrics & Made-ups	1051.65	156.80	864.81	134.18	1022.43	145.85
Readymade Garments	864.33	128.87	650.48	100.93	742.27	107.30
Silk Carpet	63.78	9.51	17.34	2.69	113.09	16.11
Silk waste	98.33	14.66	101.19	15.70	129.38	18.56
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2093.42</b>	<b>312.13</b>	<b>1649.48</b>	<b>255.93</b>	<b>2031.89</b>	<b>291.36</b>

**Source:** Compiled from the HS code data downloaded from the website of DGCI&S, Kolkata

**Country wise export earnings from silk goods during 2016-17 to 2018-19**

#	Country	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Crore Rs.	Mn.US\$	Crore Rs.	Mn.US\$	Crore Rs.	Mn.US\$
1	U Arab Emts	546.31	81.45	376.96	58.49	372.76	53.72
2	U S A	263.85	39.34	218.26	33.87	372.66	53.07
3	U K	128.39	19.14	131.81	20.45	107.39	15.39
4	China P Rep	89.17	13.30	78.56	12.19	102.12	14.60
5	Sudan	46.63	6.95	41.33	6.41	97.68	14.20
6	Nigeria	43.52	6.49	52.62	8.16	96.37	13.74
7	Germany	107.78	16.07	63.08	9.79	72.25	10.29
8	France	78.61	11.72	57.23	8.88	67.24	9.58
9	Australia	46.07	6.87	45.12	7.00	60.55	8.58
10	Italy	73.72	10.99	53.35	8.28	57.78	8.22
	Others	669.37	99.80	531.17	82.42	625.09	89.97
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2093.42</b>	<b>312.13</b>	<b>1649.48</b>	<b>255.93</b>	<b>2031.89</b>	<b>291.36</b>

**(d):** Ministry of Textiles, Government of India through Central Silk Board is implementing following beneficiary oriented schemes for the overall development of sericulture industry in the country including silk production:

- i. CSB has been implementing a restructured Central Sector Scheme “Silk Samagra” for development of sericulture in the Country, which mainly focuses on improving quality and productivity of domestic silk thereby reducing the country’s dependence on imported silk.
- ii. Under North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS), 38 Sericulture projects are being implemented in all North Eastern States.

Funds allocated and expenditure made under the above schemes during the last three years is given below:

Scheme	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20
	Allocation (RE)	Expnd.	Allocation (RE)	Expnd.	Allocation (RE)	Expnd.	Allocation (BE)
Silk Samagra	154.01	154.01	161.50	161.50	120.00	117.41	181.00
NERTPS	230.78	189.65	232.27	217.72	65.72	41.64	124.98

**(e):** Silk Cocoons being an agricultural based commodity, a number of factor such as climate (rainfall, drought etc.), pest and disease incidences (which affect the production and quality of cocoon), demand for silk products, international prices of silk etc. affect the cocoon prices. As marketing of cocoon and raw silk comes under the State subject, few States provide price incentive to farmers for their cocoon produce (through regulated cocoon markets), whenever there is a fluctuation in cocoon prices. The traditional silk producing States like Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal follows open auctions between farmers and the reelers. The marketing of these commodities is purely done by the State.

**Annexure- I****State wise Raw Silk production during the last 3 Years  
(2016-17 to 2018-19)****(in MT)**

#	State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1	Karnataka	9571	9322	11592
2	Andhra Pradesh	5970	6778	7481
3	Telangana	119	163	224
4	Tamil Nadu	1914	1984	2072
5	Kerala	11	15	16
6	Maharashtra	259	373	519
7	Uttar Pradesh	269	292	289
8	Madhya Pradesh	111	103	100
9	Chhattisgarh	361	532	349
10	West Bengal	2565	2577	2394
11	Bihar	77	63	55
12	Jharkhand	2631	2220	2375
13	Odisha	125	116	131
14	Jammu & Kashmir	145	132	118
15	Himachal Pradesh	32	32	34
16	Uttarakhand	34	35	36
17	Haryana	1	0.7	0.7
18	Punjab	3	3	3
19	Assam (including Bodoland)	3811	4861	5026
20	Arunachal Pradesh	45	54	59
21	Manipur	529	388	464
22	Meghalaya	927	1076	1187
23	Mizoram	76	83.6	92
24	Nagaland	678	615	620
25	Sikkim	9	0.001	0.4
26	Tripura	75	87	230
<b>Total</b>		<b>30348</b>	<b>31906</b>	<b>35468</b>

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