

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2077
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.09.2020

SUPPORT TO SPINNING MILLS

2077. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:
SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for providing necessary support to establish modern spinning mills for the interest of cotton farmers in the States, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether CCI has any plan to open new branch in Odisha, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to promote cotton industry and spinning by introducing new technology in view of the abundance of cotton cultivation in Wardha, Amaravati and Nagpur in Vidarbha and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any proposal for such work is pending with the Government, if so, the details thereof and the time by which it will be approved?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी)
MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): Government provides conducive policy environment, facilitate creation of enabling conditions for the industry and private entrepreneurs to set-up manufacturing units including modern spinning mill. Government has been assisting entrepreneurs to set-up textile units under various programmes and schemes such as Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme, Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks, PowerTex India, a Comprehensive Scheme for Powerloom Sector, etc. The benefit of these Schemes is available across the States / regions of the country for the entire textile value chain.

(b): There is no such proposal for setting-up of new branch in Odisha as CCI is already having a branch at Rayagada in Odisha and has opened adequate procurement centres to cover maximum cotton farmers in the State.

(c) & (d): The then Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) had estimated the area under cotton cultivation in Maharashtra including Wardha, Amaravati and Nagpur in Vidarbha at 43.69 lakh hectares for the cotton season 2019-20 as against 42.54 lakh hectares in 2018-19 showing an increase of 2.7 percent. To safeguard the interest of cotton farmers and to give them remunerative price of their produce, Government has nominated Cotton Corporation of India (CCI), as a nodal agency to undertake Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations of seed cotton (kapas) in all cotton growing States.
