

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding reopening of mills operating under NTC -laid.

SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN (VADAKARA): I would like to raise a matter regarding the 23 Mills operating under the National textile Corporation in various states including Mahe - Cannanore Spinning and Weaving Mills, and four Spinning Mills in Kerala (CSW Mills Kannur, Kerala Lakshmi Mills & Alagappa Textiles, both are in Trichur and Vijayamohini Mills in Thiruvananthapuram) have been closed for more than 20 months. Around 10000 permanent workers in the mills have been paid a nominal sum of 35% in this period. At the same time, the casual workers in these mills have lost their jobs. Office bearers of Trade Unions of NTC Unit Mills in the States of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka are demanding that all the mills under the closed NTC be reopened. I therefore request the Textile Minister to intervene in this matter at the earliest and do the needful regarding reopening the Mills and sanction necessary allocation for NTC Mills.