

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF SILK INDUSTRY  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have received any fresh offer from Japan for the promotion of silk industry in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which proposal is likely to be implemented; and
- (d) the benefits likely to accrue therefrom?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES ( SHRI KASHIRAM RANA )

(a)to(d) Technical Cooperation between Government of India & Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in the field of Sericulture has been extended by a III phase with the Project entitled `Strengthening Extension System for Bivoltine Sericulture in India`. The project commenced in August, 2002 and will continue for a period of 5 years. The Project aims to provide technical support for the expansion and promotion of Bivoltine Sericulture in the States of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, by focusing on the following aspects relating to Bivoltine Sericulture:-

- i. Establishing a System of Mass Production of Quality Seeds.
- ii. Strengthening Training System for Staff of Departments of States and Farmers
- iii. Establishing an Extension Model for Spread of Bivoltine Sericulture.