

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3911  
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EXPORT QUOTA  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether USA has recently given any indication that export quota for readymade garments from India will be increased only when American garment industry gets marketing facilities in India on mutual basis; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL))

(a) No, Sir. As per World Trade Organisation (WTO) Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), the quantitative restrictions (import quotas) would be completely phased out and textile sector fully integrated by 1st January 2005. All WTO Members including USA are bound by this obligation.

(b) Does not arise, in view of (a) above.