

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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MODERNISATION OF MILLS OF BIHAR
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of public, co-operative and private sector cotton and artificial yarn mills functioning separately, in Bihar as on date;
- (b) the capacity of production and actual production of these mills during the last two years, year-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the modernisation of these mills?

Answer

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

- (a) As on 30.06.2003, M/s. Buxar Central Jail, a composite mill in the public sector, is the only cotton/man-made fibre textile mill (Non-SSI) functioning in the state of Bihar.
- (b) The installed capacity of M/s. Buxar Central Jail is 5200 spindles and 60 looms. The above mill being a jail does not have regular production activity. During 2002-2003 the above mill has produced 13,589 metres of fabrics. As regards 2001-2002 the mill has submitted the nil production return.
- (c) To improve the technology level of the industry, including that of mills in the state of Bihar, the Govt. of India, Ministry of Textiles has launched a Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) for Textile and Jute Industries, w.e.f. 1.4.1999 for a period of 5 years, i.e., up to 31st March 2004. However, no cotton/ man made fibre textile units in the state of Bihar has availed of loan under TUFS.