

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PRODUCTION OF JUTE

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether only five percent of jute production in the country went towards making products of jute diversification
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the government for diversification towards other products such as carpets and curtains etc?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a): No Sir. As per the information furnished by the Jute Manufactures Development Council (JMDC), the diversified jute products account for nearly 8% of total production of jute goods in India.

(b): The production of diversified jute products (125660 tonnes) include decorative fabrics (8400 tonnes) mattings (3000 tonnes), webbing (560 tonnes) soil saver (6700 tonnes) and value added yarn (1,07,000 tonnes) which is used for manufacturing of union fabrics, floor coverings, (carpets, rugs and durries) and wall hangings.

(c): The Government has initiated a number of measures to boost production of JDPs in the country. The measures include programmes run by the National Centre for Jute Diversification (NCJD) 1) Jute Service Centre Scheme 2) Jute Raw Material Bank Scheme 3) Market Support Scheme 4) Jute Entrepreneurs Assistance (Capital Subsidy) Scheme (JEAS) 5) Micro Finance / NGO Assistance Scheme 6) Design Development Scheme. The Jute Manufactures Development Council also runs the Capital Subsidy Scheme for Modernisation of Jute Mills, the External Market Assistance Scheme and other Market Development Schemes for promotion of export of diversified jute products.