

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2520  
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SPINNING WEAVING SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware about the low capacity utilization in spinning sector of the organised textile mill industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to enhance the capacity utilization of spinning/weaving sector; and
- (d) the total capacity of textile industry being utilized presently?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF TEXTILES ( SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA )

(a) & (b) The capacity utilization of the spinning sector of the organised textile mill industry during the year 2003-04 was 83%.

(c) The various steps taken by the government to enhance the performance of the textile industry which in turn enhance the capacity utilization of spinning / weaving sector include:-

- Launching of the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) w.e.f. 1.4.1999 to facilitate modernization / technology upgradation of textile and jute sectors. The Finance Minister, in his Budget Speech 2005-06, has announced an allocation of Rs. 435.00 crore for this Scheme for the financial year 2005-06.

- In order to facilitate modernisation of the Powerloom Sector, Schemes such as High-tech Weaving Parks, Modernisation and Strengthening of Powerloom Service Centers, Group Workshed Scheme and Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme @ 20% have been introduced. Government has enhanced, w.e.f. 13.01.05, the capital ceiling for machinery from Rs. 60.00 lakh to Rs. 100.00 lakh under 20% capital subsidy scheme for the decentralised powerloom sector.

- To facilitate import of state of the art machinery to make our products internationally competitive in post quota regime, in 2005-06 Budget, the customs duty on textile machinery has been brought down to 10% except for 23 machinery. The concessional duty of 5% on 387 machinery continues to be at 5%.

(d) The installed capacity of cotton/man-made fibre spinning and weaving sectors and their production as on 31.03.04 is furnished in Annexure-I.

**Annexure-I**

**Installed capacity of cotton/man-made fibre spinning sectors and production as on 31.03.04**

Item	SSI	Non-SSI	Total
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Installed capacity

Spindles (million. no.)	3.01	34.02	37.03
Rotors ('000 no.)	99	383	482
Production of spun yarn (mn.kg.)	237	2815	3052

**Installed capacity of cotton/man-made fibre weaving sectors and production as on 31.03.04**

Item	Mill & Weaving units	Powerloom	Total
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Installed capacity

Looms ('000 nos)	105	1836	1941
Production of fabrics (million square meter)	1434	26947	28381