

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:783  
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Decline in Export of Cotton  
Ram Shri Janak

**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there has been a decline in the export of cotton from the country during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether decline in the export of cotton has been due to decrease in the demand for cotton overseas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): During the cotton year 2014-15 (from 1st October, 2014 to 30th September, 2015), 57.72 lakh bales of raw cotton were exported as against 116.96 lakh bales during the cotton year 2013-14. The decline in export was due to substantial reduction in import by China. However the exports from India for 2015-16 are expected to increase by about 18% compared to previous year as per the estimates of the Cotton Advisory Board.

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