

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON- 29/07/2021

IMPACT OF PANDEMIC ON COTTON EXPORTS TO CHINA

1228. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that export of cotton and yarn from India to China has nearly stopped due to COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that imports of chemicals and accessories used in textile industry has also stopped, which has adversely affected the domestic textile industry;
- (c) extent of increase likely to occur in the prices of textiles due to non-import of chemicals and accessories; and
- (d) the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a): The export of cotton and yarn from India to China has not stopped due to COVID-19 pandemic. During current cotton season 2020-21 (October 2020 to September 2021) as on April 2021, 21.97 lakh bales of cotton were exported from India to China out of the total exports of 54.83 lakh bales. China was the second largest importer of cotton from India after Bangladesh. Regarding export of yarn, during the year 2020-21 from Apr, 2020 to Mar, 2021, 275 million kg of cotton yarn were exported from India to China out of the total exports of 980 million kg. China was the largest importer of yarn from India. The country-wise data on export of cotton and cotton yarn of 2020-21 is annexed.

(b) to (d): The imports of Chemicals and accessories which is used in textile industry have not stopped.

Annexure

Country-wise data on Export of Cotton for the cotton season 2020-21 from Oct, 2020 to Apr, 2021 is given below

Export of Cotton (in lakh bales)	
Country	OCT 2020-APR 2021
BANGLADESH PR	22.09
CHINA P RP	21.97
VIETNAM SOC REP	6.40
INDONESIA	2.70
THAILAND	0.39
OMAN	0.31
TURKEY	0.27
ITALY	0.14
MAURITIUS	0.12
Others	0.44
Grand Total	54.83

Country-wise data on Export of Cotton Yarn for the year 2020-21 from Apr, 2020 to Mar, 2021 is given below:

Export of Cotton Yarn (in million kgs)	
Country	APR 2020-MAR 2021
CHINA P RP	275.00
BANGLADESH PR	225.19
VIETNAM SOC REP	55.62
PERU	53.49
PORTUGAL	44.44
EGYPT A RP	42.74
KOREA RP	32.31
COLOMBIA	23.17
TURKEY	21.03
Others	207.01
Grand Total	980.00

(Source:-Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics Kolkata portal).
