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THE PROSPERITY OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY IN INDIA



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ABSTRACT:

The Textile Industry in India traditionally after agriculture is the only industry that has generated huge employment generating sector in India. It offers direct employment to over 35 million in the country. The share of textiles in total exports was 11.04% during April-July 2010 as per the Ministry of Textiles. During 2009-2010 Indian textiles industry was pegged at US55 billion, 64% of which services domestic demand. In 2010 there were 2500 textile weaving factories and 4,135 textile finishing factories in all of India. Official website of Textile in India

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Textile Industry , agriculture , archaeological surveys and studies , Civilization.

INTRODUCTION:

HISTORY :-

The archaeological surveys and studies have found that, the people of Harrapan Civilization knew weaving and the spinning of cotton four thousand years ago. Reference to weaving and spinning materials is found in the Vedic Literature also.

There was textile trade in India during the early centuries. A block printed and resist-dyed fabrics, whose origin is from Gujarat is found in tombs of Fostat, Egypt. This proves that, Indian export of cotton textiles to the Egypt or the Nile Civilization in medieval times were to a large extent. Large quantity of north Indian silk were traded through the silk route in China to the western countries. The Indian silk were often exchanged with the western countries for their spices in the barter system. During the late 17th and 18th century, there were large export of the Indian cotton to the western countries to meet the need of the European industries during industrial revolution. Consequently, there was development of nationalist movement like the famous Swadeshi movement which was headed by the Aurobindo Ghosh.

There was also export of Indian silk. Muslin cloth of Bengal, Bihar and Orissa to other countries by the East Indian Company. Bhilwara is known as textile city.

Production in decentralised sector :-

India is the second largest producer of fibre in the world and the major fibre produced textile industry is cotton based. The strong domestic demand and the revival of the Economic markets by 2009 has led to huge growth of the Indian textile industry. In December 2010, the domestic cotton price was up 50% as compared to the December 2009 prices. The causes behind high cotton price are due to the floods in Pakistan and China. India projected a high production of textile (325 lakh bales for 2010-11). There prices are the major concern of the domestic producers of the country.

Man Made Fibers:- These includes manufacturing of clothes using fiber or filament synthetic yarns. It is produced in the large power loom factories. They account for the largest sector of the textile production in India. This sector has a share of 62 % of the India's total production and provides employment to about 4.8 million people.

The Cotton Sector :- It is the second most developed sector in the Indian Textile Industries. It provides employment to huge amount of people but its productions and employment is seasonal depending upon the seasonal nature of the production.

The Handloom Sector :- It is well developed and is mainly dependent on the SHGs for their funds. Its market share is 13 % of the total cloth produced in India.

The Woolen Sector :- India is the 7th largest producer of the wool in the world. India also produces 1.8% of the world's total wool.

The Jute Sector :- The jute or the golden fiber in India is mainly produced in the Eastern states of India like Assam and West Bengal India is the largest producer of jute in the world.

The Sericulture and Silk Sector :- India is the 2nd largest producer of silk in the world. India produces 18% of the world's total silk. Mulberry, Eri, Tasar and Muga are the main types of silk produced in the country. It is a labour intensive sector.

Indian Textile Policy:

Government of India passed the National Textile Policy in 2000

Textile Organisation:

The Indian Textile Industries is mainly dominated by some Government, Semi Government and Private Institutions. The major functions of the Ministry of Textile are :

Bhilwara Textile Industry
Textile Policy & Coordination
Man-Made Fiber Industry
Cotton Textile Industry
Jute Industry
Silk and Sericulture Industry
Wool Industry
Decentralized Powerloom Sector
Export Promotion
Planning & Economic Analysis
Finance Matters
Information Technology (IT)
The Advisory Boards Include:-
All Indian Handloom Board
All Indian Handicrafts Board
All Indian Powerlooms Board
Advisory Committee Under Handloom Reservation of Articles For Production
Co-Ordination Council of Textile Research Association
MM Cotton Industry

The Major Export Promoting Councils Include :-

Shahi Export Pvt. Ltd., Faridabad.
Apparel Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.
Carpet Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.
Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, Mumbai.
The Major PSU or Public Sector Undertaking are :-

National Textile Corporation Ltd. (NTC).
British India Corporation Ltd. (BIC).
Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI).
Jute Corporation of India Ltd. (JCI).
National Jute Manufacturers Corporation (NJMC).
Handicrafts and handlooms Export Corporation (HHEC).
National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC).
Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts, New Delhi.
Handloom Export Promotion Council, Chennai.
Indian Silk Export Promotion Council, Mumbai.
Power loom Development & Export Promotion Council, Mumbai.
Wool & Woolen Export Promotion Council, New Delhi.
The Clothing Manufactures Association of India (CMAI).
Other Autonomous Bodies in This Industry are :-
Central Wool Development Board, Jodhpur.
National Institute of Fashion Technology, New Delhi.
National Centre for Jute Diversification.

The Textile Research Association are :-

South India Textiles Research Association (SITRA), Coimbatore
Ahmadabad Textiles Industry's Research Association.
Bombay Textiles Research Association, Mumbai.
Indian Jute Industries Research Association, Kolkata.
Man-Made Textiles Research Association, Surat.
Synthetic and Art Silk-Mills Research Association, Mumbai.
Wool Research Association, Thane.
Northern India Textiles Research Association (NITRA), Ghaziabad.

Organized Sector :-

According to Kearney's 'Retail Apparel Index' India ranked as the fourth most promising market for apparel retailers in 2009.

There is large scope of improvement in the textile industry of India as there is a huge increase in personal disposable income among the Indians after the 1991 liberalisation. There is also a large growth of the organised sector in the Indian textile industries. The foreign brands along with the collaboration of the Indian companies established business in India. Some of these are Puma, Armani, Benetton, Esprit, Levi Strauss, Hugo Boss, Liz Claiborne, Crocs etc.

The major Indian Industries include Bombay Dyeing, Mayur, Modern Woolens, Sangam India, BSL, Fabindia, Grasim Industries, JCT Limited, Lakshmi Machine Works, Lakshmi Mills and Mysore Silk Factory.

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