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# **GMMSA EXPO 2017 BEGINS**

First Exhibition to finally take place in Demonetization hit Ludhiana Hosiery Industry - Fingers Crossed

Lack lustre Ludhiana hosiery industry very severely hit by the note ban announcement of prime minister Narinder Modi on November 8, 2016 has finally been able to stage a mega machinery show, after the postponement of its two major shows. President of Garment Machinery Manufacturers & Suppliers Association (GMMSA), the organizers of this show, Narinder Kumar says, "We need to move ahead come what may - we are entrepreneurs always trying to find the best way out of every hazard, industry has started showing the signs of reverout better. Success of this show will provide ray of act as a big morale booster."

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2nd edition of GMMSA Friday, at Dana Mandi, for the exhibition has sal and soon we will come EXPO INDIA, the Bahadurke Road in been very encouraging. Garments Machinery Ludhiana.

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Manufacturers & Suppliers The Expo was inaugurated every effort bigger and hope to the industry and will Association (GMMSA) with lamp lightning cerebetter. (Regd.) opened their doors mony by Ravi Bhagat, He added, "The objec-Kicking off the to visitors on 17th February, I A S, D e p u t y tive of this Expo is to cap-

> Krishan - Chairman provide latest technol-GMMSA, Narinder ogy and know-how at Kumar President, the doorsteps of the Gurpreet Singh, Amit industry,' Jain, Parmesh Wasist, Gurdev Singh, Jatinder Narinder International Sudera, Sukhwinder and President GMMSA Singh, Pankaj Kalra, and Expo India 2017 said, other industry delegates.

> The exhibition is a plat- best to the industry in latform for the garment est technology. We have machinery manufacturers brought special and suppliers to display machines like the three their products and facili- technical way Jacquard tate relations between man- Machines where more ufacturers and buyers. The complex patterns can be first day of the exhibition made. The most signifisaw a foot fall of more than cant technology that is 7000 where manufacturers on display at the exhibidemonstrated the latest tion could be the Double

Speaking on the occasion, which the gauge of bed Mr. Ram Krishan -Chairman, GMMSA Expo ing to need. The entire India 2017 said that, "The bed can be changed from response that we have got

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Mr. Amit Jain of Nav Pankaj Creations said. "We have thick thread, multi-head and chinnile machines.

machines that save on time and money.

The well organized stalls were a treat for those who visited. The display of value added features enhancing productivity as well as quality of the end product significantly reeled in many enquiries. Top notch brass of the industry from knitting houses, dyeing, finishing, processing houses marked their presence with their production and quality control teams.



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> trends, generate quality national exhibitions leads and grow their through out the lengths

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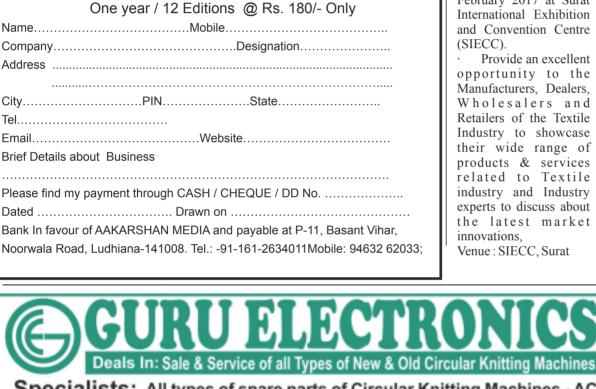
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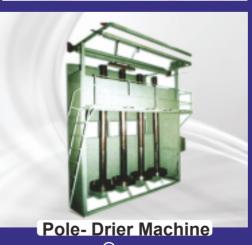


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# 'Make in India' needs better approach - Udeshi (Reliance)

A lot of thrust has \$250 billion," he ing. People are very remarked that the emphasised on posibeen given to Gov- adds. Udeshi says, three to four differ- industries should tive vision by both ernment's 'Make in "We are seeing little ent types of clothes avail of the oppor-India' initiative, said vibration in the in a day like morn-tunities to the best RD Udeshi, Presi- economy and peo- ing wear, office advantages to excel dent - Polyester ple have started wear, evening wear, in the international try. Chain, Reliance thinking what next night wear, etc. The competitive envi-Industries Limited, to do? This is a very younger generation ronment. in keynote address, ambitious target, is making this Chief Guest Ujjwal facilitate invest-This was the theme We need to work on change happen. Narayan Uke, Prin-ment, foster innoof international tex- the right direction There is a definite cipal Secretary (Tex- vation, enhance tile conference, held to reach this target. change in buying tile), Co-operation, by the Textile Asso- Countries like Banciation (India), gladesh, Vietnam demand will tile Department, Mumbai Unit on and Cambodia are increase in future," December 1-2, 2016 becoming a manuat Hotel The Lalit, facturing hub. They Mumbai. "India has enough tage because of advantages and how India should

natural resources, most favoured tag competitive adopt this initiative areas planned in labour and skill. We given by various strengths of India as Uke emphasised this mission providare No. 1. in cotton. countries." Then why are we lag- "India is changing a ging still behind? lot. Earlier people fibre base, modern work hand in hand ment opportunities. This is the biggest used to wear one sin-technologies under to achieve the super question," tells gle dress in the the TUFs scheme ordinate goals of

have started looking at India very seriously.'

"The Indian textile industry is around \$110 billion. It's very small compared to China. Indian textile industry has been growing at a rate of 15 per cent annually. India is the second largest textile manufacturer and exporter. China is first with the market share of 40 per cent. The Government has given kept target to reach around \$600 billion by 2025. Of this, textile exports is around \$350 billion and total textile consumption is around

have certain advan- the comparative Make in India and

"Foreign countries the time is chang-

pattern. The Marketing & Tex-

says Udeshi. Udeshi highlighted vational speech on Udeshi. He adds, entire day. But now, and thrust on tech- the "Make in

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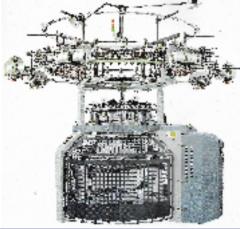
Government of India, gave a moti-

industries and individual for the future growth of the coun-

campaign aims to skill development, protect intellectual property, and build best-in-class manufacturing infrastructure in India. The textile sector is one of major thrust fast emerging econ- that industry and ing growth drivers, omy. He pointed out government should FDI, and employ-







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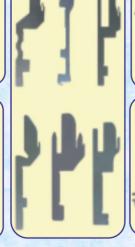
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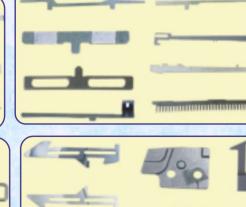












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# Innovation in manufacturing: First **Speed Factory' opens in Germany**

turing: first 'speed factory' opens in Germany Sporting giant Adidas has company said. launched a new concept that looks at individuali-

sation rather than stand-

Adidas has announced the establishment of its first

duction

that aims to revolutionise is based on the idea of production in the coming Industry 4.0, which many experts consider to be the production method of the future. The aim is to com-'Speed Factory'. The purbine the latest digital techpose: Adidas intends to nology with the automarevolutionise production tion possibilities of big in the coming years, and data and new production be even closer to cus- methods. Until now, the tomer's needs at the same manufacture of shoes and time. It was not until this clothing was a hand summer that Adidas labour-intensive industry; consumer has to become industry. It is not just announced the plan to that's why it has been part of the brand and can about creating new jobs in develop Speed Factories outsourced to low-wage interact directly with in- a production branch, to take shoe production to countries. Only with the store customisation, co- which seemed to be lost a new level. Only a few new possibilities of a creation and interactive forever in countries like months later, the first plant highly efficient and autowas built. It was erected at mated production, that pro- "Speed Factory combines improving environmental the Oechsler AG in duction sites in Germany the design and develop- performance by avoiding Ansbach, Germany, not and elsewhere in Europe ment of sporting goods transport routes. In addifar away from the Adidas are conceivable again. So, with an automated, decention, the production would headquarters in Herzo- instead of continuing to tralised and flexible manu- improve its transparency genaurach. It is exp-ected outsource production to facturing process," said and control in the global to produce 500 pairs of run-low-wage countries and Herbert Hainer, CEO of value chain leading to conning shoes in the next few accept the expensive Adidas Group. "This flex- trol over product piracy.

exchange data with each ucts."

In addition, Adidas will gain much more flexibil- other companies and instiity to better meet regional tutions and with funding needs and be able to by the German Governrespond even to individual ment, wants still more. customer requirements. "Individualisation rather succeeds, the new concept than standardisation" is may solve several probthe idea of Adidas. The lems of the global apparel brand experiences.

months. Commercial transportation to consum- ibility opens doors for us mass production should ers. Adidas wants to work to be much closer to the start in the near future, the in the future with smaller, market and to where our decentralised and highly consumer is. Ultimately, Flexible, highly auto- automated production we are at the forefront of mated, decentralised pro- facilities right where the innovating our industry by consumer is located. The expanding the boundaries ardisation. Regina The highly innovative congoal is a whole network of for how, where and when Henkel analyses the idea cept of the Speed Factory new sites that use intelli- we can manufacture our gent robot technology will industry-leading prod-

> But the project, which has been supported by many When the first pilot plant Germany. It is also about

## **Digital Textiles Printing on Growth path**

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Digital textiles printing is four major applications of expected to be driven by fol- Key players in the DTI the DTP namely Textiles & lowing major drivers. market are Mimaki Engi Clothing applications, It significantly reduced neering Company Ltd. (Ja Home textiles applica- response time by eliminat- pan), Seiko Epson Corpo tions, Soft signage applica- ing several time consum- ration (Japan), Kornit Digitions and others. Digitally printed textiles bility and high creativity nologies Corporation output is expected to Cost advantage in short run (U.S.), EFI Inc. (U.S.), S increase at a CAGR of cycles More eco-friendly Dystar Group (Singapore) 28.1%, in terms of volume process than traditionally D and APSOM Technolo

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## Making of Textile and Apparel Machinery -Will The Whirr Get Louder?

The Indian textile and the last five years, the has very favourable demo-fold. Hopefully, global

and to increase its export may grow to US\$ 243 bil-Historically, indigenous cent. importing machinery will invested towards capacity not make much practical building. An additional

The Indian textile and required for the replaceapparel industry is again ment of old machinery. at an inflection point. With Approximately 30 per and apparel machinery research on location, 5.2 per cent share of cent of our machinery is global trade in 2013, this now imported from industry ranks second in China. But since 2010, the the world, but is far behind Indian currency has torchbearer China. The depreciated significantly good news is that China's with respect to the US dolshare in global textile lar while the yuan has trade is estimated to go appreciated. This double down as it has started los- impact has made Chinese ing its competitive edge in machinery costlier to terms of costs, domestic import. Importing demand is growing expo- machinery does not really Many small and medium nentially, and China is make sense in the long entrepreneurs prefer to focusing on industries term. This trend is use second hand machin-

with higher margins. Chinese textile players are textile and apparel, investing outside their machinery manufacturing country, including in is also becoming costlier India. The recent joint ven- in China as wages are ture of Shandong Ruyi increasing sharply comwith Reliance is one such pared to many other fast. example. India is in the developing countries, best position to capture including India. Demothe major share of the graphic shifts in China trade vacuum which will will limit the labour force ties in comparison to be created by China and in coming years which outsourced facilities, and can increase its export to will further push up wage the overall market size

advantage of the present cent CAGR. It is expected scenario. Manufacturing to keep its momentum for machinery is an essential the next decade. It has 2020 only in machinery to 2020. So, the Indian texmeet domestic demand tile and apparel industry

machinery has always The entire environment of played an important role the Indian textile and in the growth of the textile apparel industry needs to and apparel industry. A gear up to take maximum look at the history of the advantage of the present textile industry in Europe, scenario. Manufacturing China or even the spin- machinery is an essential ning industry in India part of this preparedness. reveals this trend. If India It has been estimated that is to bring to reality the the Indian textile and 'Make In India' dream, his- apparel industry will need nous textile and apparel of the lowest in India. Mantory will need to repeat to invest US\$ 75 billion by machinery in their draft ufacturers of other itself for the entire textile 2020 only in machinery to document, 'Vision, Strat-machineries are also value chain. By 2020, the meet domestic demand egy and Action Plan - exporting to the Indian Indian textile and apparel and to increase its export treated as a base document subcontinent and Africa. industry is estimated to basket size to US\$ 89 bilinvest US\$ 75 billion only lion. To this end, US\$ 50 in machinery since billion will need to be

US\$ 25 billion will be

apparel industry needs to domestic apparel market graphics with half of the players will now foresee gear up to take maximum has been growing at 11 per population less than 25 the minimum economic years of age.

part of this preparedness. been estimated that the skill development, avail-The industry will need to domestic market will be ability of skilled maninvest US\$75 billion by worth US\$ 154 billion by power in the productive has seen rapid recent age group of 20-60 years growth. Global leaders of should not be a challenge that industry have not only in coming years. Manu- looked at India as a great basket size, says Associ- lion by 2020 from the pres- facturing our own market but a potential manate Director, Wazir Advi- ent US\$ 108 billion, a machinery is also one of ufacturing base for this sors, ARINDAM SAHA jump of almost 150 per the major focuses of the region. Once they made the last Union Budget, an spare parts suppliers came allowance of 15 per cent in and many of the Indian was declared for the players improved their investment of more than product quality and capac-`25 crore in new plant and ity. machinery for manufac- The same is waiting to hapturing capital goods.

The expert committee also erv manufacturing. Per suggested several mea- spindle manufacturing sures in favour of indige- cost of ring-frame is one for the upcoming textile Global leaders of textile policy. When all these machinery industry are developments are considered, investment in textile and apparel machinery manufacturing in India investment calls. Once makes lot of sense.

have not invested signifi- capacity, technology, busicantly yet in India except ness models, etc. will be in the spinning sector. They have been inhibited by a smaller market. The textile product basket of India is very diverse so we cant investment by some require different technolo- of the loom and knitting gies. Even domestic and machine manufacturers export market suppliers use different technology. expected to continue. Like ery. So, the market of a typical machine gets divided into many segments and thus falls below the minimum economic size. But this scenario is changing

A process of consolidation has started; organised players prefer in-house capaci-US\$ 89 billion by 2020. In rates. In contrast, India will also increase mani-

market size which will With the present focus of help swing their investthe Union government on ment decisions in India's favour.

India's automobile sector present government. In their investment plan, the

pen with textile machintaking note of it and hopefully will keep this angle in mind while taking they make up their mind to Global leaders of textile invest in India, further required.

It will be interesting to oserve the first movers. We might witness signifivery soon.

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# Ludhiana Hosiery industry badly hit by demonetization experiment Prime Minister Narendra economy and generates hosiery industry is the vived so far," said a

tize high value currency has 400,000 people in the city. badly affected Ludhiana's Demonetization has dealt a hosiery industry.

try in Ludhiana contributes whose 90 percent trade hapabout 80 percent of the total pens in cash. woolen/acrylic output of the

Modi's decision to demone- employment for over mother of industry worker at a gar-

severe blow to small time The knitwear indus- traders and shopkeepers,

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which has almost 12.000 ment factory. units. The sudden ban of Pushp Kamal. notes has affected our industry in a very bad will people purmanner," said Ludhiana chase readymade Knitwear Club Chair- garments? Our man Vinod Thapar.

per cent of the industries season is going on, have shut down. Work- and this is the seaers have migrated back son for hosiery garto their homes and unem- ments and everyployment has thing has gone increased," he added.

The city has a large num- Prime Minister ber of small industries - Narendra Modi's both registered and drive to purge unregistered - which "black money" deal with readymade gar- from the economy ments, textiles and win- by withdrawing ter hosiery products. 500 and 1000 rupee They export both locally currency notes in and globally.

The industry has seen a wiped out 86 per downfall in consumer cent of the money footfall as thousands in circulation. have been left without cash in the wake of to demonetise demonetization and these large bills strict limits on with- was designed to drawals from banks.

tion has affected busi- cash in unacnesses a lot and only five counted for wealth percent of work has sur- into the main-

industry is suffer-"More than 70 ing a lot. As winter

> bust," he added. one stroke has

The move bring billions of "Demonetiza- dollars' worth of

stream economy, as well as create a dent in the finances of militants who target India and are suspected of using fake rupee notes to fund their criminal operations. However, none of these goals seem to have realized so far. The hosiery industry will take around 2 years to get back to its normalcy. First hit by 2 years of lesser winter followed by Kashmir

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# Payment banks to Revolutionise Industry

ing services - for instance, Yojana (PMJDY).

With the Reserve Bank of vices, but can't lend. It is vices Ltd, Cholamandalam expected to expand pene-India (RBI) issuing expected that the payment Distribution Services Ltd, tration of the banking secapproval to 11 entities to banks will target financially Department of Posts, FINO tor in rural areas of the open payments banks in the excluded customers like PayTech Ltd, National country. At the same time, country, it is expected that migrant workers, low-Securities Depository Ltd the entry of new players is the move will widen the income households and (NSDL), Reliance Indus- likely to increase competireach of banking services in small businesses, thus sup-tries Ltd (RIL), Tech tion in the Indian banking the country and revolution- porting the financial inclu-Mahindra Ltd, Vodafone industry, lower remittance ise the Indian banking indus-sion drive of the Govern-m-pesa Ltd, Dilip costs and extend the formal try. The payment banks are ment of India from the Shanghvi, founder of Sun market for remittances, permitted to do limited bank- Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Pharmaceutical Industries thus pushing the sector Ltd and Vijay Shekhar towards the next phase of

they can accept deposits, Companies and individuals Sharma, CEO of One97 growth. India is already the issue debit cards and offer like Aditya Birla Nuvo Ltd; Communications that runs world's largest for global payments and remittance ser- Airtel M Commerce Ser-Paytm have received the remittances and payment

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report, worldwide mobile these banks will depend on US\$ 1 trillion in value in high volume of transacless than US\$ 500 billion the same time. expected in 2015. Report- Overall, the payments edly, mobile wallets have banks are expected to bring already surpassed credit in additional funds into the cards in terms of the num- Indian banking circuit and ber of users in India. In being a support system to fact, according to The the big banks in extending World Bank, RBI's move is their rural reach.

in-principle approval from banks are expected to push the envelope even further. According to a recent IDC However, the success of payments will account for low-cost technology and 2017, registering an tions so that charges are reaincrease of 124%. from the sonable and profitable at

## **Apparel Industry in India: Current** Scenario and Snapshot to 2020

on the Indian apparel market, researching key driving factors for the growth of the country's domestic report further segments the market egory, use and price. Key Indian players and the entry of international brands into the Indian market are also briefly discussed in this report, as well as the impact of online sales.

India is among the most attractive investment propositions for the global retailers. The retail sector in India accounts for nearly 22 per cent of the country's gross domestic product (GDP) and contrib-

This study focuses utes to almost 8 per cent of sion of excise duty on 2020, women's wear would the total employment. The branded apparel has prodomestic apparel market is vided an incentive to retail- men's wear. In terms of US\$ 50 billion as of 2013 ers in terms of the market usage, casual wear leads and is expected to grow at a sentiment. compound average growth With a market size of US\$ for almost half of the total apparel industry. The rate (CAGR) of 13 per cent 20 billion in 2013 and over the next seven years. Currently, apparel industry of the overall market, men's Indian market -- Madura size based on user cat- contributes 15 per cent to wear is the largest segment Garments, Raymond and the industrial production, 4 in the Indian apparel mar-

per cent to the GDP, and 17 ket. per cent to the country's In comparison, women's export earnings. Over 30 wear makes 35 per cent, brands. million people are directly while the kid's wear com- Online sales are at a

be contributing more than the purchases, accounting

apparel sales. accounting for 40 per cent The key players in the Arvind -- are facing increasing competition

emp-loyed in the apparel prises only 25 per cent of nascent stage, however industry. The recent excluthe market. However by growing at a rapid pace

from entry of international



# Rajiv Garg to head NITMA

Rajiv Garg, MD of Garg since continu-Acrylics Limited has ously serving been elected as President the best interof Northern India Textile est of textile Mills' Association units in North-(NITMA), the apex body ern India and of textile industry in has been North India. NITMA instrumental elected its new leadership in creating a team in its executive com- 1 i n k a g e mittee meeting held very between the recently at Ludhiana.

Manish Bagrodia, MD, Winsome Yarns Ltd. was Its members elected as Senior Vice collectively President and Mukesh have a turn-Tyagi, Director, BST Tex- over upward tile Mills Pvt Ltd., was of Rs 50,000 crore elected as Vice President. Sanjay K Jain the outgoing President welcomed Garg said that the indus-& congratulated the new

in 1958 and has been as well as international

industry and Government.

(approx. \$8 billion). Speaking on the occasion try is confronted with an uphill task of overcom-NITMA was established ing hurdles in domestic

markets in

post demonetisation scenario. He also advocated adopting scientific approach for estimating cotton crop size and cotton arrivals by various agencies.

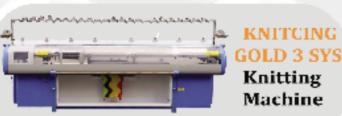
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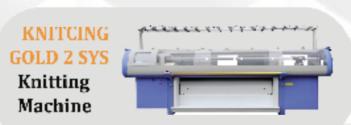
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## Vietnam: The emerging giant in textiles & clothing

quantities from outside. and clothing products -a sumption. National Textile and Gar-

Although Vietnam-the (Vinatex), the apex body of duction), mid-stream sector world's fourth largest tex- the textiles industry in that (fabric production and dyetile and apparel exporter - country, has declared that ing) and down-stream sector has huge potential for cot- Vietnam has become the (garment manufacturing). In ton cultivation and produc- world's fourth largest tex- the Initial years, the subtion, the local sources sup- tile exporter. In the first sectors that produced fibres ply less than 2 per cent of half of this year, the coun- or fabric were not up to the the total requirements and try earned an estimated mark in quality and were the industry imports huge \$12.18 billion from textile mainly used for domestic con-

The country's Vietnam year-on-year (YOY) Although Vietnam has huge increase of 10.26 per cent. potential for cotton cultivament Group (Vinatex) now The industry is well on tion and production, the local plans to invest \$441.3 mil- track to meet its 2015 sources supply less than 2 per lion in 59 textile, dyeing, export target of \$27- 27.5 cent of the total cotton garment and infrastructure billion. The three largest requirements and the textile projects over the next two importers of Vietnamese industry imports huge cotton years alone. Government products are United States - quantities. The local fabric

Johnny Wan, Director of business relationship over links between India and Exhibitions Market the years. While Hong Hong Kong," said Wan. relationship is than 30 fairs annually, Development, Hong Kong is well-positioned India is Hong Kong's particularly strong in forming 11 largest Trade Development to help enhance India's seventh largest trading pearls, precious and semi- marketplaces of their kind Council (HKTDC), external trade in global highlighted opportunities markets, the HKTDC for Indian companies at plays an important role in around \$26.9 billion, an equipment and parts, as electronics and lighting the HKTDC's world-class boosting trade and impressive increase of 13 well as finished jewellery. being the largest of their

partner. In 2016, the value of bilateral trade reached

The trade HKTDC organises more



### scope for MMF textiles Come March, the Synthetic (\$534.51 million), clothing Textile Export Promotion imports for 41% (\$468.81 Council (SRTEPC) will be million) and made-ups for participating in exclusive 12% (\$142 million). Indian Textile Exhibitions Ethiopia's total imports of

(INTEXPO) in Ethiopia MMF textiles from the world (March 6th & 7th, 2017) and Kenya (March 9th and 10th, million, of which India's 2017). SRTEPC is inviting its members to participate in million (16%). these exhibitions since it Highlights of the Kenyan sees a lot of scope for man- textile market: Imports of made textiles in these two African nations. The from the world were incentives for member \$2013.13 million during participation include early 2015, of which India's share bird discounts and is nearly 5%. Textile imports Marketing Development of Kenya from the world

Assistance, says SRTEPC. Highlights of the Ethiopian textile market: Imports of textile & clothing by (\$498.99 million) and made-Ethiopia from the world ups for 15 per cent (\$297.72 were US\$ 1145 million million). Kenya's total during 2015. India's share in total imports of is nearly from the world during 2015 10%, worth \$112 million in stood at \$335.69 million, of 2015. In this textile imports which India's share was only from world account for 47%

during 2015 stood at \$458.84 share was only \$74.32

textile & clothing by Kenya account for nearly 42% (\$849.65 million), clothing imports for nearly 25% imports of MMF textiles \$55.01 million (16%)

briefing in New Delhi recently.

Wan underscored the robust bilateral trade relations between Hong Kong and India, adding that the Council's trade fairs offered a good platform to boost business.

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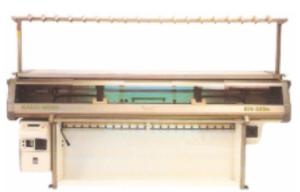
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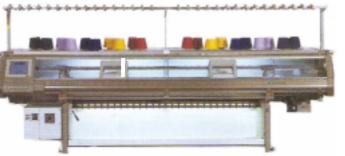
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The Government of India has laid special emphasis on the reforms required in its public procurement process. In a major step that aims to transform the way in which procurement of goods and services is done by Ministries/ Departments, PSUs and autonomous bodies etc, the government has recently announced the launch of Government e-Market place (GeM). The idea of GeM was mooted in recommendations of two Groups of Secretaries made to the Hon'ble Prime Minister in January 2016. The recommendations included setting up of a dedicated e-market for different goods & services procured/sold by Government/PSUs. Subsequently, the Hon'ble Finance Minister in his Budget speech for FY 2016-17,

announced setting up of a technology driven platform to facilitate procurement of goods and services by various Ministries and agencies of the Government.

The Government e-Marketplace (www.gem.-gov.in) was formally launched in August 2016 by the Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister. Transactions for more than INR 140 crore (US\$ 20.5 million) have been processed through GeM since its launch (Source: PIB release id 157610 dated January 23, 2017). The platform today boasts of over 7400 products in about 150 categories. Being a completely paperless, cashless and system driven e-market place that enables procurement of common use goods and services with minimal human

interface, GeM offers clear advantages like transparency, efficiency and security. GeM also has the potential to support key government initiatives like Make in India and Digital India.

Needless to mention, GeM is expected to result in huge savings for the government. GeM is also doing demand aggregation for items that are to be procured by various Central/State Government Departments which, according to reports, is expected to result in annual savings to the tune of INR 40,000 crore (US\$ 5.87 billion) per annum. GeM has an opportunity to emerge as the single platform for India's National Public Procurement Program and result in massive annual savings in public procurement.

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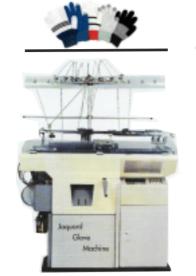
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