**Sectoral Overview**

1. **Snapshot of the Sector**
2. **Key Metrics**
3. Growth rates
* MMF production increased by about 4% percent during the period April 16 – March 2017.
* India has had one of the fastest growth in the Polyester Filament Yarn and Fibre production at about 4.5% CAGR in the last five years.
* The Indian Textile Industry has witnessed further investments in the polyester sector including the raw materials which would further help the country to enhance the necessary raw material supply base in the country.
* India likely to witness 6% growth in Polyester production during the next 10 years, amongst the highest in major producing countries.
* Ample supply of MMF manufacturing base.
* India has a very unique position in MMF production with the ability to produce almost all MMFs, along with their raw materials.
* In polyester industry India has the privilege of having the global major large producers of raw materials and feeds for the textile industry, which is expected to grow further.
* India is sufficiently capable of catering to growth in the downstream industry.
* Adequate feedstock supply ensures greater dependability.
1. **Share in GDP**
* Textiles have a share of 6% in Indian GDP
1. **Employment**
* Textile sector is the 2nd largest employer after agriculture (45 million people directly employed)
1. **Exports**
* Manmade Yarns and Fabrics have been growing at a handsome rate
1. **Imports**
* Manmade Fabric worth over 800 million $ imported from China in the year 2016-17 in addition to Yarns and Fibres.  The imports have grown further post GST on account of unintended benefit to imports due to inverted GST structure, Fabrics being at 5%, Manmade Yarns at 12%, Manmade Fibres at 18% for which no Input Tax Credit is available.  Uniform GST rate in the Textile chain is the remedy.
1. **Key Players**
* Reliance Industries, Bhilosa Industries, Wellknown Polyesters, SRF Ltd, Bombay Dyeing, Garden Silk Mills Ltd., Sanathan Textiles, Century Enka, JCT Ltd etc.
1. **Investments**
* Over 30,000 crores
1. **Key Government initiatives**
* Partial mid-term correction in GST rate on Manmade Yarns from 18% to 12%
* Hike in Import Duty on fabric from 10% to 20%
1. **Future Outlook**
* Looks good as main growth in the Textile sector has to come from Manmade Fibres.
1. **Source**
* Association of Synthetic Fibre Industry (ASFI)