

**Question 11 — Australian Textile, Clothing, Footwear and Allied Industries**

(5 marks)

- (a) Explain how Australian clothing manufacturers have responded to changing consumer demand for sun protection factor clothing. 2

Australian clothing manufacturers have responded to this demand by producing more sun protection factor clothing including long sleeve shirts, collars on shirts, wider brimmed hats, & more enclosed swimwear garments.

- (b) How has Australian government legislation influenced Australian textile industries to select processes and resources that have a reduced impact on the environment? 3

The Australian government is trying to create a sustainable environment so they have legislated against processes and resources found in the textile industry that are not sustainable. An example of this is legislating against the use of delustring agents on fabrics. These agents are washed off into our waterways and pollute our environment.