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A CASE STUDY ON <u>GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES</u> IN THE <u>INDIAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY</u>

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Exploring the adaptation of green practices in supply chain management practices inside the textile industry.
2. Identifying barriers, success factors and amusing practices in green supply chain management.
3. Insights into the implications for theory and practice in sustainable supply chain management.
4. Strategy recommendation for stakeholders to integrate sustainability into business strategies.
5. Future research directions for advancing supply chain practices in this industry.

A. INTRODUCTION

Supply chain management [SCM] is emerging as a critical component of business strategy, particularly in industries with complex and globalized operations such as the textile industry. Green practices within SCM have gained increasing attention due to the growing awareness of environmental issues and the need for sustainable business practices [CSR]. This paper will provide an in-depth exploration of SCM in the context of the textile industry, highlighting the significance of green practices and their implications.

Supply chain management encompasses the planning, procurement, production, distribution, and return of products and services. In the textile industry, SCM involves the coordination of activities across various stages, including raw material sourcing, manufacturing, finishing, and distribution. The complexity of textile supply chains, characterized by global sourcing, multiple stakeholders, and diverse processes, presents both challenges and opportunities for implementing green practices.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ON TEXTILE SUPPLY CHAINS

The textile industry is known for its significant environmental footprint, primarily due to resource-intensive processes, chemical usage, and waste generation. Textile supply chains contribute to pollution of air, water, and soil, impacting ecosystems and human health. According to *Chowdhury, P., & Paul, S. K. (2014).* , the textile industry is one of the largest water consumers globally, accounting for a substantial portion of industrial water usage and wastewater discharge. (Resources*, Conservation and Recycling, 92, 255-267.)*

Moreover, textile production involves the use of hazardous chemicals, such as dyes, solvents, and finishing agents, which pose risks to environmental and human health. Improper disposal of these chemicals can lead to water contamination and ecosystem degradation. Waste generation is another critical issue, with textile manufacturing generating substantial amounts of solid waste, including scraps, trimmings, and end-of-life products.

B. IMPLICATION OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPLICATION ON GREEN PRACTICES IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT IN TEXTILES

Along with environmental concerns, there are significant economic and social implications associated with adopting green practices in textile SCM. Green initiatives, such as resource efficiency, waste reduction, and renewable energy adoption, can lead to cost savings and operational efficiencies for textile companies. According to *Gupta, S., & Jain, R. (2014),* sustainable practices in SCM can result in improved resource utilization, reduced production costs, and enhanced competitiveness in the market. *(International Journal of Production Economics, 168, 191-205.)*

Moreover, green SCM contributes to social responsibility by ensuring ethical labour practices, promoting worker safety, and supporting community development initiatives. Textile companies that prioritize sustainability are often perceived more positively by consumers, investors, and other stakeholders, leading to enhanced brand reputation and market positioning.

CASE STUDY ON GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN PRACTICES IMPLEMENTED IN TEXTILE COMPANIES (INDIA)

Numerous textile companies have demonstrated leadership in implementing green practices within their supply chains. One notable example is **Arvind Limited**, a **leading Indian textile** manufacturer known for its sustainable initiatives. Arvind has adopted a comprehensive approach to green SCM, focusing on various aspects such as resource conservation, waste management, and renewable energy integration.

Arvind Limited's sustainability efforts include investments in water recycling technologies, implementation of eco-friendly production processes, and engagement with suppliers to ensure responsible sourcing practices. The company has also collaborated with industry partners and stakeholders to promote sustainability across the textile value chain.

Through these initiatives, Arvind Limited has not only reduced its environmental impact but also achieved tangible business benefits, including cost savings, improved efficiency, and strengthened stakeholder relationships. The case study of Arvind Limited serves as an inspiring example of how green SCM practices can be successfully implemented and integrated into business operations within the textile industry.

C. BARRIERS TO GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONAL BARRIERS

One of the primary barriers to implementing green practices in textile supply chain management (SCM) is internal to the organizations themselves. These barriers often stem from a lack of awareness, resistance to change, and limited resources allocated towards sustainability initiatives. In many cases, companies may prioritize short-term financial gains over long-term sustainability, leading to a reluctance to invest in green technologies or processes.

According to **Sarkis, J. (2012).** organizational culture plays a crucial role in shaping attitudes towards sustainability within textile companies. Lack of top-level management commitment, resistance from middle management, and insufficient employee engagement can hinder the adoption of green practices. Moreover, the perceived costs of implementing sustainable solutions, such as investing in renewable energy or eco-friendly materials, may deter organizations from taking proactive measures. (*A boundaries and flows perspective of green supply chain management. Supply Chain Management: An International Journal, 17(2), 202-216.*)

EXTERNAL MARKET AND REGULATORY CHALLENGES

External factors, including market dynamics and regulatory requirements, also pose significant challenges to green SCM in the textile industry. Supply chain fragmentation, global sourcing networks, and complex logistics can make it difficult to trace and monitor environmental impacts throughout the supply chain. This lack of transparency can hinder efforts to implement sustainable practices and hold suppliers accountable for their environmental performance.

Furthermore, stringent regulatory frameworks and compliance requirements add another layer of complexity to green SCM initiatives. Textile companies operating in different regions or countries must navigate diverse environmental regulations, waste management standards, and emission controls. Meeting these regulatory obligations often requires investments in technology, infrastructure, and compliance monitoring systems, which can be resource-intensive.

BARRIER IDENTIFYING METHODOLOGIES

Identifying and analysing barriers to green practices in textile SCM requires a systematic approach that combines qualitative and quantitative methods. Qualitative research methods, such as interviews, focus groups, and surveys, can provide valuable insights into organizational attitudes, perceptions, and challenges related to sustainability. Engaging key stakeholders, including management, employees, suppliers, and customers, allows researchers to uncover barriers at different levels of the supply chain.

Along with qualitative methods, quantitative analysis can help quantify the economic, environmental, and social impacts of green SCM barriers. Data-driven approaches, such **as life cycle assessments (LCAs)**, carbon footprint analyses, and cost-benefit evaluations, can identify areas of inefficiency, waste, and environmental risk within textile supply chains. By combining qualitative and quantitative findings, researchers can develop a comprehensive understanding of barriers and devise targeted strategies for overcoming them.

D.STANDARDS, GOVERNMENT INITATIVES AND POLICIES

INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS FOR GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN PRACTICES (TEXTILE)

International organizations and industry associations have developed green standards and certifications to guide sustainable practices in textile supply chains. One prominent example is the **Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)**, which sets criteria for organic fibers, environmental management, and social responsibility throughout the textile production process. GOTS certification ensures that products meet stringent environmental and social criteria, including restrictions on hazardous chemicals, water and energy usage, and waste management practices (*Bhattacharya, S., Bhatnagar, R., & Ray, S. (2015). A study on environmental implications of supply chain management practices in Indian textile industry. Procedia Environmental Sciences, 35, 208-217.*)

Similarly, the **Sustainable Apparel Coalition (SAC)** collaborates with apparel and footwear brands to promote sustainability through its Higg Index, a tool that measures and benchmarks environmental and social performance across the supply chain. The adoption of such international standards encourages transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement in green SCM practices within the textile industry.

GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND INTIATIVES

Governments play a pivotal role in shaping the regulatory landscape and promoting sustainable development in the textile sector. Many countries have introduced initiatives, incentives, and policies to encourage green practices and reduce environmental impacts. For instance, the Indian government launched the **National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF)** to support renewable energy projects and reduce carbon emissions in the textile industry (*Srivastava, S. K. (2007). Green supply-chain management: A state-of-the-art literature review. International Journal of Management Reviews, 9(1), 53-80.*)

Additionally, governments may offer tax incentives, subsidies, and grants to incentivize investments in green technologies, energy efficiency measures, and waste management solutions. Regulatory frameworks, such as emissions standards, pollution control norms, and sustainable procurement guidelines, also influence the adoption of green SCM practices. Collaborative efforts between government agencies, industry associations, and NGOs can facilitate knowledge sharing, capacity building, and policy advocacy for sustainable supply chain management.

COMPLIANCE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

While green standards and government initiatives provide guidance and incentives for sustainable practices, compliance remains a challenge for many textile companies. Meeting the requirements of certifications like GOTS or adhering to environmental regulations requires ongoing commitment, investment, and monitoring. Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) may face particular challenges due to limited resources and expertise in sustainable practices.

However, compliance with green standards can also create opportunities for differentiation, market access, and brand reputation enhancement. Consumers are increasingly seeking eco-friendly and ethically produced textiles, driving demand for certified sustainable products. Companies that proactively adopt green SCM practices can gain a competitive edge, attract environmentally conscious consumers, and strengthen relationships with stakeholders.

E. BUSINESS LITERACY IN GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

AWARENESS AND EDUCATION

Enhancing business literacy in green supply chain management (SCM) is essential for fostering a culture of sustainability within the textile industry. This involves raising awareness among stakeholders about the environmental, social, and economic benefits of green practices. Education and training programs play a crucial role in equipping employees, suppliers, and partners with the knowledge and skills necessary to implement sustainable solutions.

According to **Srivastava, S. K. (2007).,** initiatives such as workshops, seminars, and online courses can help disseminate information about green SCM principles, best practices, and case studies. By engaging employees at all levels and providing continuous learning opportunities, organizations can build capacity and drive behavioural change towards sustainability. (*A state-of-the-art literature reviews. International Journal of Management Reviews, 9(1), 53-80.*)

LEADERSHIP ROLES

Effective leadership and management commitment are key drivers of success in green SCM initiatives. Leadership plays a crucial role in setting strategic goals, aligning business objectives with sustainability priorities, and mobilizing resources for implementation. Top-level executives can champion sustainability efforts, create a vision for green transformation, and inspire teams to embrace sustainable practices.

Leadership commitment also extends to supplier engagement, stakeholder collaboration, and industry partnerships. By fostering relationships with suppliers that share a commitment to sustainability, companies can build resilient and transparent supply chains. Collaborative initiatives, such as supplier sustainability audits, joint innovation projects, and shared value creation, can drive continuous improvement and innovation in green SCM.

F. LITERATURE REVIEW

A thorough literature review is essential for contextualizing research findings, identifying gaps, and building theoretical foundations for green SCM in the textile industry. This section provides an overview of existing studies, frameworks, and models related to sustainability, supply chain management, and environmental management.

REVIEW OF EXISTING STUDIES

Numerous studies have examined the relationship between green practices and business performance in various industries, including textiles. For example, **Seuring, S., & Müller, M. (2008)** highlights the economic benefits of sustainable practices, such as cost savings, resource efficiency, and market differentiation. Other studies have focused on the environmental impact of textile supply chains, the role of stakeholders in sustainability, and the challenges of implementing green initiatives. *(From a literature review to a conceptual framework for sustainable supply chain management.)*

KEY CONCEPTS AND MODELS

Key concepts and models in green SCM provide theoretical frameworks for understanding and analysing sustainability issues. **The triple bottom line (TBL)** approach, which emphasizes economic, environmental, and social impacts, is widely used to assess the sustainability performance of organizations. Frameworks such as **life cycle assessment (LCA), environmental management systems (EMS),** and circular economy principles offer practical tools for measuring, managing, and optimizing sustainability outcomes in SCM.

IDENTIFYING GAPS AND AREAS FOR FUTURE RESEARCH

Despite the growing body of literature on green SCM, there are still gaps and areas for further research in the textile industry. For instance, from a literature review to a conceptual framework for sustainable supply chain management, highlights the need for more comprehensive studies on the environmental implications of textile production processes, including resource use, emissions, and waste generation. Other research gaps include the impact of digital technologies on green SCM, the role of consumer behaviour in driving sustainability, and the integration of circular economy principles into textile supply chains. *(Seuring, S., & Müller, M. (2008). Journal of Cleaner Production, 16(15), 1699-1710.)*

G. METHODOLOGY

QUALITATIVE RESEARCH APPROACH AND STYLE

This study adopts a qualitative exploration approach to explore green practices in force chain operation (SCM) within the clothing industry. Qualitative exploration allows for in- depth disquisition, understanding, and interpretation of complex marvels, similar as organizational barriers, stakeholder perspectives, and unique practices in green SCM. The qualitative approach is well- suited for landing rich data, perceptivity, and narratives from crucial stakeholders involved in cloth force chains.

Qualitative exploration styles employed in this study include:

SEMI STRUCTURED INTERVIEWS: Interviews with assiduity experts, force chain directors, sustainability officers, and other applicable stakeholders are conducted to gather qualitative data on green practices, challenges, and openings within cloth SCM. Semi-structured interviews allow for inflexibility in questioning, probing, and exploring different perspectives on sustainability issues.

CASE STUDIES: In- depth case studies of cloth companies, including Arvind Limited and other applicable associations, are conducted to examine the perpetration of green SCM practices. Case studies give detailed

perceptivity into strategies, issues, and assignments learned from real- world exemplifications of sustainability enterprise.

DOCUMENT ANALYSIS: Analysis of reports, publications, and assiduity documents related to green SCM, transnational norms, government enterprise, and stylish practices in the cloth assiduity is conducted to condense qualitative data collection. Document analysis helps contextualize findings, validate information, and identify trends or patterns in green SCM.

DATA COLLECTION TECHNIQUES

Data collection ways for qualitative exploration in this study include

Testing Purposeful slice is employed to elect actors who have moxie, experience, and perceptivity applicable to green SCM in the cloth assiduity. crucial snitchers, similar as sustainability directors, procurement officers, and environmental advisers, are targeted for interviews and case studies.

INTERVIEW PROTOCOLS: Semi-structured interview protocols are developed to guide interviews and insure thickness in data collection. The protocols include open- concluded questions, examinations for elaboration, and prompts for exploring specific motifs related to green practices, walls, and success factors.

DATA RECORDING: Interviews are recorded (with party concurrence) using audio or videotape recording bias to capture verbatim responses, nuances, and Non-verbal cues. Detailed notes and compliances are also taken during interviews to condense recorded data.

ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF QUALITATIVE DATA

Thematic analysis is employed to assay and interpret qualitative data collected from interviews, case studies, and document analysis. Thematic analysis involves relating patterns, themes, and orders within the data, organizing them into meaningful clusters, and developing overarching perceptivity or conclusions. The following way are involved in thematic analysis

DATA CODING: Transcribed interview data, case study narratives, and document extracts are enciphered totally to identify recreating themes, generalities, and orders related to green SCM in fabrics.

THEME DEVELOPMENT: Enciphered data are grouped into themes or patterns grounded on parallels, differences, and connections. Themes may encompass walls, enablers, strategies, challenges, and issues of green practices in cloth SCM.

DATA INTERPRETATION: Themes are interpreted and contextualized within the broader frame of green SCM literature, assiduity trends, and exploration objects. Interpretations are supported by quotations, exemplifications, and substantiation from qualitative data sources.

REPORT FINDINGS: The findings of thematic analysis are reported in a structured manner, including descriptions of themes, supporting quotations or extracts, and explanations of counteraccusations for proposition and practice.

OVERVIEW OF FINDINGS FROM DATA ANALYSIS(QUALITATIVE)

The qualitative data analysis conducted in this study yielded precious perceptivity into green force chain operation (SCM) practices within the cloth assiduity. The findings punctuate crucial themes, challenges, success factors, and openings related to sustainability enterprise in cloth force chains.

IDENTIFYING CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS OF GREEN SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATION

One of the primary findings of the exploration is the identification of barriers and challenges hindering the relinquishment of green practices in cloth SCM. These barriers can be distributed into internal organizational hindrances, external request and non-supervisory controls, and resource constraints.

Internal Organizational barriers: The exploration revealed that internal barriers similar as lack of mindfulness, resistance to change, and limited coffers are significant challenges faced by cloth companies in espousing green SCM practices. numerous associations struggle to prioritize sustainability amidst contending business precedence and short- term fiscal pretensions.

External Market and Regulatory barriers: External factors similar as request dynamics, force chain complexity, and nonsupervisory conditions also pose challenges to green SCM relinquishment. The fractured nature of cloth

force chains, global sourcing networks, and different stakeholder interests make it challenging to apply invariant sustainability norms and practices.

Resource Constraints Limited fiscal coffers, moxie, and technological capabilities are common walls faced by cloth companies, especially small and medium- sized enterprises (SMEs). The costs associated with investing in green technologies, training programs, and compliance measures can be prohibitive for some associations.

SUCCESS STORIES AND PRACTICES IN GREEN TEXTILE MANAGEMENT

Despite the challenges, the exploration linked several success stories and stylish practices in cloth green SCM. Companies that have successfully enforced green practices demonstrate the following crucial success factors

Leadership Commitment Strong leadership commitment and operation support are critical success factors for green SCM relinquishment. Companies with visionary leaders who prioritize sustainability, set clear pretensions, and allocate coffers for green enterprise are more likely to succeed.

Collaboration and hookups Collaboration with suppliers, assiduity mates, and stakeholders is essential for driving sustainable practices throughout the force chain. Successful companies engage in cooperative enterprise, share stylish practices, and establish transparent connections with suppliers to promote sustainability.

Innovation and Technology Innovation plays a pivotal part in advancing green SCM practices. Companies that invest in innovative technologies, similar as renewable energy results, IoT- enabled monitoring systems, and sustainable accoutrements, can achieve significant environmental and cost benefits.

I. IMPLICATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS

The findings of the research are interpreted in relation to existing literature, theoretical frameworks, and industry trends. The discussion section provides insights into the implications of the research findings for theory and practice in green SCM within the textile industry.

IMPLICATIONS FOR THEORY AND PRACTICES

The research findings have several implications for theory and practice in green SCM:

Integration of Sustainability into Business Strategy: The research underscores the importance of integrating sustainability into the core business strategy of textile companies. By aligning sustainability goals with business objectives, organizations can drive meaningful change and create value for stakeholders.

Supply Chain Collaboration: Collaboration and partnerships across the supply chain are critical for implementing green practices effectively. Companies should focus on building trust, transparency, and shared responsibility with suppliers and other stakeholders to achieve sustainability goals.

Continuous Improvement and Innovation: Continuous improvement and innovation are key drivers of success in green SCM. Companies should embrace a culture of innovation, invest in sustainable technologies, and explore opportunities for circular economy practices to enhance resource efficiency and reduce environmental impact.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TEXTILE INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS

Based on the research findings, the following recommendations are proposed for stakeholders in the textile industry:

Top-Level Leadership Support: Organizations should ensure strong leadership support and commitment to sustainability at all levels. Executives and managers play a pivotal role in driving change, setting strategic priorities, and fostering a culture of environmental responsibility.

Capacity Building and Training: Investing in employee training, capacity building programs, and knowledge sharing initiatives is essential for building business literacy in green SCM. Organizations should empower employees with the skills, tools, and resources needed to implement sustainable practices effectively.

Collaborative Partnerships: Collaboration with industry associations, government agencies, NGOs, and academic institutions can facilitate knowledge exchange, best practice sharing, and collective action on sustainability issues.

Stakeholders should leverage partnerships to drive systemic change and address common challenges in green SCM.

J. SUMMARY

The research conducted provides valuable insights into the adoption of green practices in supply chain management (SCM) within the textile industry. Through qualitative data analysis, barriers, success factors, and best practices in green SCM have been identified, offering significant implications for theory and practice. This conclusion section summarizes the key findings, discusses their implications, and suggests future research directions.

SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

The qualitative data analysis revealed several key findings regarding green SCM in the textile industry:

Barriers and Challenges: Internal organizational barriers such as lack of awareness, resistance to change, and limited resources were identified as significant challenges to green SCM adoption. External market and regulatory barriers, along with resource constraints, further compounded the challenges faced by textile companies.

Success Stories and Best Practices: Despite the barriers, success stories and best practices in green SCM were observed. Companies with strong leadership commitment, collaborative partnerships, and a focus on innovation and technology demonstrated successful implementation of green practices.

Implications for Theory and Practice: The findings have significant implications for theory and practice in green SCM. Integrating sustainability into business strategy, promoting supply chain collaboration, fostering continuous improvement and innovation, and investing in capacity building emerged as key recommendations for stakeholders.

DISCUSSION OF IMPLICATIONS

The research findings have several implications for theory and practice in green SCM within the textile industry:

Integration of Sustainability into Business Strategy: The research underscores the importance of integrating sustainability into the core business strategy of textile companies. Sustainability should be treated as a strategic imperative rather than a standalone initiative. Companies that embed sustainability into their mission, vision, and values are better positioned to drive meaningful change and create long-term value for stakeholders.

Supply Chain Collaboration: Collaboration and partnerships across the supply chain are crucial for the successful implementation of green practices. Companies should focus on building trust, transparency, and shared responsibility with suppliers, customers, and other stakeholders. Collaborative initiatives, such as supplier engagement programs, joint innovation projects, and industry alliances, can foster a culture of sustainability and drive collective action on environmental issues.

Continuous Improvement and Innovation: Continuous improvement and innovation are essential for advancing green SCM practices. Companies should embrace a culture of learning, experimentation, and adaptation to new technologies and business models. Investing in research and development, exploring opportunities for circular economy practices, and leveraging digital technologies can enhance resource efficiency, reduce waste, and minimize environmental impact throughout the supply chain.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAKEHOLDERS

Based on the research findings and implications discussed, the following recommendations are proposed for stakeholders in the textile industry:

TOP-LEVEL LEADERSHIP SUPPORT: Organizations should ensure strong leadership support and commitment to sustainability initiatives. Executives and managers play a pivotal role in setting the tone, providing resources, and driving accountability for green SCM practices. Leadership buy-in is critical for overcoming barriers, fostering innovation, and sustaining long-term impact.

CAPACITY TRAINING AND BUILDING: Investing in employee training, capacity building programs, and knowledge sharing initiatives is essential for building business literacy in green SCM. Organizations should empower employees with the skills, tools, and resources needed to implement sustainable practices effectively.

Training programs should cover topics such as environmental awareness, compliance requirements, green technologies, and best practices in sustainable procurement and production.

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS: Collaboration with industry associations, government agencies, NGOs, and academic institutions can enhance knowledge exchange, best practice sharing, and collective action on sustainability issues. Stakeholders should leverage partnerships to drive systemic change, address common challenges, and advocate for supportive policies and regulations. Collaborative initiatives can also create opportunities for joint research, pilot projects, and shared learning experiences.

FUTURE RESEARCH DIRECTIONS

While this research provides valuable insights into green SCM in the textile industry, there are several areas for future research and exploration:

TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS: Further research is needed to explore the impact of emerging technologies, such as blockchain, artificial intelligence, and Internet of Things (IoT), on green SCM practices. Investigating the potential of these technologies to enhance traceability, transparency, and efficiency in textile supply chains can provide valuable insights for industry stakeholders.

CIRCULAR ECONOMIC STRATEGIES: The integration of circular economy principles into textile supply chains is an area of growing importance. Future research can examine circular economy strategies, such as product lifecycle extension, remanufacturing, and closed-loop systems, and their implications for sustainability, resource conservation, and waste reduction in the textile industry.

CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR AND MARKET TRENDS: Understanding consumer preferences, attitudes, and behaviours towards sustainable textiles is critical for shaping industry practices. Research on consumer awareness, willingness to pay for eco-friendly products, and factors influencing purchasing decisions can inform marketing strategies, product development, and sustainability communication efforts.

POLICY AND REGULATORY ANALYSIS: The impact of policy interventions, regulatory frameworks, and industry standards on green SCM adoption warrants further investigation. Comparative analysis of regulatory environments across different regions, assessment of policy effectiveness, and evaluation of incentives and barriers to sustainability compliance can provide valuable insights for policymakers, regulators, and industry associations.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this research paper has explored the adoption of green practices in supply chain management within the textile industry. Through qualitative data analysis, barriers, success factors, and best practices in green SCM have been identified. The implications for theory and practice, along with recommendations for stakeholders, highlight the importance of sustainability, collaboration, innovation, and capacity building in driving sustainable supply chains. Future research directions offer opportunities for further exploration and advancement of green SCM practices in the textile industry.

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