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- i. Based on size, industries can be classified into small scale and large scale industries.
- ii. Cottage or household industries are a type of small scale industry where the products are manufactured by hand, by the artisans. Basket weaving, pottery and other handicrafts are examples of cottage industry.
- iii. Small scale industries use lesser amount of capital and technology as compared to large scale industries that produce large volumes of products. Investment of capital is higher and the technology used is superior in large scale industries.
- iv. Silk weaving and food processing industries are small scale industries. Production of automobiles and heavy machinery are large scale industries.

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Ans. Cotton textile industry in Osaka

- i. It is an important textile centre of Japan, also known as the 'Manchester of Japan'.
- ii. The textile industry developed in Osaka due to several geographical factors. The extensive plain around Osaka ensured that land was easily available for the growth of cotton mills. Warm humid climate is well suited to spinning and weaving. The river Yodo provides sufficient water for the mills. Labour is easily available. Location of port facilitates import of raw cotton and for exporting textiles.
- iii. The textile industry at Osaka depends completely upon imported raw materials. Cotton is imported from Egypt, India, China and USA.
- iv. The finished product is mostly exported and has a good market due to good quality and low price.
- v. Though it is one of the important textile cities in the country, of late, the cotton textile industry of Osaka has been replaced by other industries, such as iron and steel, machinery, shipbuilding, automobiles, electrical equipment and cement.