## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2076** ANSWERED ON- 23/12/2022

# NHDP FOR PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO URBAN HAATS

#### 2076. SHRI RAJENDRA GEHLOT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is implementing the National Handicraft Development Programme (NHDP) to provide assistance for setting up of Urban Haats in major cities of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of Urban Haats operating in Rajasthan and the details of sales and profits thereof;

(c) whether Government has received proposals for setting up of other Urban Haats in the State of Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof and their present status; and

(d) whether the Urban Haats have been successful in achieving their goals, if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

### THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a): The Government is implementing the National Handicraft Development Programme (NHDP) to provide assistance for setting up Urban Haats with the objective to set up a permanent marketing infrastructure in towns/metropolitan cities to provide direct marketing facilities to the handicrafts artisans/handloom weavers.

(b) & (c): At present, 3 Urban Haats are operating in Rajasthan at Jaipur, Jodhpur and Ajmer. The details of sales and profits derived thereof are not maintained centrally as these urban haats after construction are operated by respective State Govt. agencies. There are no other pending proposals from the State of Rajasthan under NHDP.

(d): The Urban Haats are successful in achieving their goals as these are providing marketing platforms directly to artisans/weavers, thus increasing the sale and income of artisans/weavers in the country.

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