

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
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TRADITIONAL TEXTILE MAKING

2077. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any initiative to establish well equipped centres for ensuring the survival of traditional textile making in different regions of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the special measures taken to document the traditional textile making skills in different parts of the country and to promote them commercially?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Govt. has 29 well equipped Weavers' Service Centres (WSCs) in different States for ensuring survival of traditional textiles making across the country. These WSCs are located at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Guwahati, Itanagar, Aizawl, Imphal, Varanasi, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Bhubaneswar, Kancheepuram, Salem, Meerut, Nagpur, Indore, Chamoli, Srinagar, Raigarh, Hyderabad, Bhagalpur, Kannur, Vijaywada, Kullu, Bengaluru, Dimapur, Ranchi and Panipat.

(c): To document the traditional textile making skills in different parts of the country and promote them commercially, 13 Design Resource Centres (DRCs) have been set up in WSCs at Guwahati, Delhi, Mumbai, Varanasi, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Bhubaneswar, Kancheepuram, Kolkata, Meerut, Nagpur, Indore and Panipat to build and create design-oriented excellence in Handloom Sector.

DRCs facilitate weavers, exporters, manufacturers and designers to access these design repositories for sample/product development and improvisation. They may create new designs and take benefit of erstwhile created designs and use it commercially.
