

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
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PROMOTING HANDLOOM INDUSTRY OF PANIPAT, HARYANA

3031. SMT. KIRAN CHOUDHRY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of policy measures taken to promote the handloom industry of Panipat, Haryana;
- (b) the details of measures undertaken to promote the exports of handlooms and Textiles;
- (c) whether Government is aiming to fulfil 100 per cent power requirements by solar energy in context of Panipat Textile industry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): Ministry of Textiles, Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms is implementing the following schemes to promote handloom industry across the country including Panipat, Haryana:

- (i) National Handloom Development Programme;
- (ii) Raw Material Supply Scheme;

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided to eligible handloom agencies/weavers for raw materials, procurement of upgraded looms & accessories, solar lighting units, construction of workshed, skilling, product & design development, technical and common infrastructure, marketing of handloom products in domestic/overseas markets, concessional loans under weavers' MUDRA scheme and social security etc.

(b): Focusing the handloom exports, Office of Development Commissioner (Handlooms) through Handloom Export Promotion Council is organizing below mentioned activities to increase the Indian handloom exports including Panipat, Haryana:

- (i) Participation of member exporters across India every year, in around 15-25 international exhibitions, Buyers Seller Meet (BSM), Reverse Buyers Seller Meet (RBSM) including special events.
- (ii) Special Sourcing Expos in major handloom production clusters to connect the handloom manufactures with merchant exports and overseas buyers.
- (iii) Awareness seminars in major exports centres/handloom hubs and disseminate information or export trends, market analysis, etc.

(c) & (d): Currently, Ministry of Textiles through Office of Development Commissioner for Handlooms is not implementing any specific scheme for promotion of solar energy specifically for handloom/textile industry in Panipat, Haryana. However, as per National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) scheme financial assistance is provided for purchase of lighting unit (including solar lighting system) upto Rs. 15,000/- per unit to handloom workers. Cost sharing shall be in the ratio of 90% by GoI and 10% by the beneficiary. Financial assistance upto Rs. 10.00 lakh is also provided to the State Directorate for installing Solar Lighting System for Common Workshed with 10% beneficiary share.
