

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3360
ANSWERED ON- 28/03/2025

BUDGETARY ALLOCATION TO MEGA HANDLOOM CLUSTERS

3360. SHRI YERRAM VENKATA SUBBA REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Budget allocated for Mega Handloom Clusters for Financial Year 2022-23 and 2023-24 and 2024-25;
- (b) whether any financial assistance has been provided to Mega Handloom Clusters identified in Prakasam and Guntur districts of Andhra Pradesh during Financial Years 2022-23 and 2023-24; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): Government of India through the Office of Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles is implementing Mega Cluster Development Programme, a component of National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), all across the country (including Andhra Pradesh State). Under Mega Cluster Development Programme, need based financial assistance upto Rs.30.00 Crore (GOI share) per Mega Handloom Cluster is provided on receipt of complete proposals for various interventions like upgraded looms & accessories, solar lighting units, worksheds, design and product development, marketing support, setting up of common infrastructure such as Value Addition Centre (Garmenting/Apparel unit), Reeling, Processing, Printing units etc.

There is no separate budget allocation for Mega Cluster Development programme however, during financial year 2022-23 to 2024-25, financial assistance of Rs.3,029.327 lakh has been provided for setting up of Mega Handloom Clusters.

(b) & (c): No financial assistance has been provided to Mega Handloom Cluster identified in Prakasam and Guntur districts of Andhra Pradesh State during financial year 2022-23 and 2023-24.
