## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-635 ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2025

## PROMOTION OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY IN BIHAR

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of infrastructure development, establishment of facilities/assistance provided till date to promote textile industry in Bihar, the details thereof; and
- (b) the proposal for setting up of PM MITRA Park/Textile Park in Bihar along with the steps taken by Government to attract investors towards Bihar textile trade under which incentives, policy support or marketing efforts are being made to promote investment and trade activities?

## **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Textiles supports the Textiles, Handlooms and other sectors in the entire country including in Bihar through a number of schemes and initiatives. These include Amended Technology Upgradation Funds Scheme (ATUFS), Silk Samagra, National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), National Handicraft Development Programme (NHDP), Jute-ICARE. In addition, skilling and capacity building is supported through schemes such as SAMARTH and Skill Development Scheme in the Handicraft Sector.

Under Technology Upgradation Funds Scheme, subsidy support of Rs. 7.56 crore has been provided for technological upgradation of textile machinery in Bihar. Under SAMARTH Scheme a total 9,277 beneficiaries have been trained in Bihar out of which 86% are women. Under Marketing Support and Services (MSS) Scheme of NHDP, 03 Gandhi Shilp Bazaars have been organized with a total project cost of Rs. 32.01 lakhs benefitting 150 artisans in FY 2024-25. In addition, Handicraft Mega Clusters have been sanctioned in 2022-23 with a total project cost of Rs. 29.83 crore benefitting 9165 artisans. The Government has also established a National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) in Patna to support education, training and capacity building in Fashion Technology & Design in Textile Sector.

Further, In order to promote investment in Bihar in the textile sector, especially plug and play facilities, the Ministry of Textiles facilitated an Investor Meet in Patna on 19.07.2024 which was orgainsed by the Department of Industries, Government of Bihar. These measures collectively aim to position Bihar as a competitive hub for the textile sector, fostering industrial growth and employment generation.

The Government of Bihar also undertakes strategic initiatives to promote the textile industry by investing in infrastructure by the way of policy support and incentives including financial assistance and subsidies.

With a view to attract investment, boost employment generation and position itself strongly in the global market, the Government has approved setting up of 7 (Seven) PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks in Greenfield/Brownfield sites with world class infrastructure including plug and play facility with an outlay of Rs. 4,445 Cr for a period of 2021-22 to 2027-28.

The Government has finalized 7 sites viz. Tamil Nadu (Virudhnagar), Telangana (Warangal), Gujarat (Navsari), Karnataka (Kalaburagi), Madhya Pradesh (Dhar), Uttar Pradesh (Lucknow), Maharashtra (Amravati) for setting up of PM MITRA Parks. No proposal for setting up of Textile park in the state of Bihar is pending in the Ministry.

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