

TRADITIONAL CLOTH HANDICRAFTERS:

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Will be Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has any scheme to support/boost traditional cloth handicrafters and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) The details of states where these handicrafts are present;
- (c) Whether their financial condition is not promising due to inflow of synthetic garments and imports;
- (d) If so, the details thereof; and
- (e) The steps taken by the Government to improve their condition?

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ANSWER

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(a): The Government implements various schemes to boost different crafts being practiced by the artisans including traditional cloth handicrafts throughout the country under "**National Handicraft Development Programme [NHDP]**" to emphasize integrated approach for development of handicraft cluster in a holistic manner. The NHDP has following components:

1. Base Line Survey and Mobilization of artisans.
2. Design & Technology Upgradation (DTU)
3. Human Resource Development (HRD)
4. Direct Benefit to Artisans (DBT)
5. Infrastructure and Technology Support (ITS)
6. Research and Development (R&D)
7. Marketing Support & Services (MSS)

Besides, Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS) has following components:

1. Mega Cluster (MC)
2. Special projects under Integrated Development and Promotion of Handicraft (IDPH).

(b): Traditional cloth handicrafts is being practiced in the following States:-

Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya and Sikkim.

(c)to(e): The production and exports of traditional cloth handicrafts has increased, which implies that financial condition of the artisans employed in traditional cloth handicrafts has improved. The details are as per **Annexure-I**.

ANNEXURE- 1

Annexure-I refers to part (c)to(e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2564 for answer on 02.08.2018.

STATEMENT SHOWING PRODUCTION & EXPORT OF HANDICRAFTS (TRADITIONAL CLOTH)					
FOR THE PERIOD FROM 2016-17 TO 2017-18					
(Rs. in crores)					
Sl. No.	Items	2016-17		2017-18	
		Production	Export	Production	Export
1	Embroidered & Crocheted Goods	4517.80	3227.00	4567.56	3262.54
2	Shawls as Art Ware	5.39	3.85	5.98	4.27
3	Zari & Zari goods	96.63	69.02	132.72	94.48
	Total	4619.82	3299.87	4706.25	3361.29
