

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No.*230
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2018

SCHEMES FOR ARTISANS

*230. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has been implementing any Scheme for enhancing the income of the artisans of handicrafts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the capacity building of artisans so that they can upgrade their skills.?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति जूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*230 FOR ANSWER ON 27.12.2018.

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Government implements various schemes for promotion and development of handicraft artisans of the country under "**National Handicraft Development Programme [NHDP]**" and **Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)**. The NHDP has following components.

1. Dastkar Shasktikaran under Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojna (AHVY)
2. Design & Technology Upgradation (DTU)
3. Human Resource Development (HRD)
4. Direct Benefit to Artisans (DBA)
5. Infrastructure and Technology Support (ITS)
6. Research and Development (R&D)
7. Marketing Support & Services (MSS)

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

1. Mega Cluster (MC)
2. Special projects under Integrated Development and Promotion of Handicraft (IDPH). The details of various programmes organized under different schemes of this office during the last four years is as per **Annexure-I**. Total of 678098 artisans have been benefited directly.

(c): The Government organizes various training programmes like Handicrafts Training Programmes (Technical Tainting and Soft Skill Training). Training through Guru Shishya Prampara, Training the trainers and Design Mentorship and apprentice programmes, Design Development Workshop and Integrated Design Development Programmes to upgrade the skill of the artisans throughout the country. The details of artisans benefitted through various training schemes details as under:-

SL.NO.	SCHEME	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	TOTAL
1	HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME	9895	15455	9091	7620	42061
2	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY UPGRADATION	9990	9630	6260	3080	28960
3	MEGA CLUSTER	17975	17976	17978	17986	71915
	TOTAL	37860	43061	33329	28686	142936

Other measure initiatives taken by the Government in this regard are detailed as under:-

- For collaboration in the area of education for handicraft artisans and their children a **MoU** has been signed between Govt. and **National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) and Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)** wherein reimbursement of 75% of the fee for SC/ST/BPL and women artisans is being done. Till date 541 Artisans and their children have enrolled under IGNOU and NIOS, special IGNOU centres are also running exclusively for artisans at Bhopal.
- **Guru Shishya Parampara Trainings** are organized to handover / transfer traditional knowledge of handicrafts from mastercraftspersons to the new generation ensuirjing sustenance of the craft and revival of the endangered crafts. During the last four years 505 Nos. GSP have been organized benefiting 8654 number of artisans.
- **Handicrafts Helpline** No.18002084800 (Toll Free) launched on 5th May 2017 in 7 languages viz. Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Bangla, Assamese, Kannada and English. 16401 calls have been received and redressed upto November 2018.

ANNEXURE I

Scheme	Year	No. of Programmes/ Projects	Fund sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)	Artisans benefitted/ covered
Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY)	2014-15	-	-	-
	2015-16	115	1883.04	70987
	2016-17	204	1451.61	130649
	2017-18	110	900.74	77850
	Total	429	4235.39	279486
Design & Technology Upgradation (DTU)	2014-15	140	1304.06	9990
	2015-16	153	1805.97	9630
	2016-17	193	1175.12	6260
	2017-18	88	864.60	3080
	Total	574	5149.75	28960
Human Resource Development(HRD)	2014-15	437	1572.16	9895
	2015-16	769	2671.11	15455
	2016-17	353	2215.25	9091
	2017-18	357	1856.57	7620
	Total	1916	8315.09	42061
Marketing Support & Services (MSS)	2014-15	156	1593.00	12193
	2015-16	229	2431.00	14357
	2016-17	207	2382.00	14609
	2017-18	173	2106.25	15987
	Total	765	8512.25	57146
Research & Development (R&D)	2014-15	137	281.16	3170
	2015-16	221	602.24	8730
	2016-17	260	827.35	3290
	2017-18	83	613.57	2360
	Total	701	2324.32	17550
Infrastructure & Technology Support	2014-15	2	1105.00	-
	2015-16	2	161.00	-
	2016-17	6	1530.00	-
	2017-18	4	525.00	-
	Total	14	3321.00	-
Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)	2014-15	5	13550.00	109300
	2015-16	4	9850.00	85900
	2016-17	5	9205.00	57695
	2017-18	-	-	-
	Total	14	32605.00	252895
	Grand Total	4413	64462.80	678098
