LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1626 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20-12-2018

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SILK WEAVERS

1626. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides the financial assistance to silk weavers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give them incentive and subsidy on yarn; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

- (a) & (b): The Government of India, Ministry of Textiles provides financial assistance under following handloom schemes to the handloom agencies/weavers including silk weavers for development of handlooms and welfare of weavers across the country:
 - (i) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)
 - (ii) Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)
 - (iii) Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme (HWCWS)
 - (iv) Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided for raw materials, purchase of looms and accessories, design innovation, product diversification, infrastructure development, skill upgradation, marketing of handloom products, loan at concessional rates etc.

A statement showing State-wise financial assistance provided to handloom agencies in the last three years and the current year (till date) under National Handloom Development Programme and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme is at Annexure-I. Funds under Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme and Yarn Supply Scheme are released to the implementing agencies viz. LIC of India and National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC) respectively.

(c) & (d): Under Handloom Marketing Assistance (HMA), a component of National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), Marketing Incentive, which is 10% of the average sales turnover for the last three years, is provided to the eligible handloom agencies to promote sales of handloom products. A statement showing details of Marketing Incentive provided in the last three years and the current year (till date) is at Annexure-II.

Under the Yarn Supply Scheme, freight subsidy is available to the handloom weavers on all type of yarn, including silk yarn. 10% price subsidy is also available on cotton, domestic silk, woollen and linen yarn with quantity restrictions. A statement showing details of 10% price subsidy provided to handloom weavers during last three years and current year (till date) is at Annexure-II.

Statement referred to in part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1626 for answer on 20-12-18

State-wise financial assistance provided to handloom agencies in the last three years and the current year (till date) under National Handloom Development Programme and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme

S No.	State	Amount Released (Rs. in crores)
1	Andhra Pradesh	7.42
2	Arunachal Pradesh	3.42
3	Assam	39.58
4	Bihar	2.71
5	Chhattisgarh	4.80
6	Delhi	0.38
7	Gujarat	0.60
8	Himachal Pradesh	3.73
9	Jammu and Kashmir	5.93
10	Karnataka	2.19
11	Kerala	4.56
12	Madhya Pradesh	4.74
13	Maharashtra	3.27
14	Manipur	6.06
15	Meghalaya	2.36
16	Mizoram	5.96
17	Nagaland	7.45
18	Odisha	12.54
19	Rajasthan	0.76
20	Sikkim	1.32
21	Tamil Nadu	19.73
22	Telangana	4.15
23	Tripura	3.22
24	Uttar Pradesh	16.76
25	Uttrakhand	1.58
26	West Bengal	2.35
	Total	167.57

Funds under Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme and Yarn Supply Scheme are released to the implementing agencies viz. LIC of India and National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC) respectively.

Statement referred to in part (c) & (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1626 for answer on 20-12-2018

Marketing Incentive provided in the last three years and current year (till date) under Handloom Marketing Assistance component of National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP):

Year	Marketing Incentive released (Rs. in crore)
2015-16	43.30
2016-17	40.96
2017-18	22.61
2018-19	17.99
Total	147.58

10% price subsidy provided on hank yarn in the last three years and current year (till date) under Yarn Supply Scheme:

Year	10% price subsidy on hank
	yarn
	(Rs. In crore)
2015-16	143.66
2016-17	107.01
2017-18	107.80
2018-19 (till date)	23.10
Total	381.57
