

PREFERENCE TO HANDLOOM CLOTHES

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether handloom clothes are given preference in the purchase of clothes as per the requirement of various Central Ministries;
- (b) if so, the detailed procedure for purchasing of such clothes;
- (c) the quantity and amount of mill-made cloth as well as handloom cloth purchased by the Ministry of Railways out of the total purchase of clothes during the year 2017-2018; and
- (d) whether the Ministry of Railways is likely to be directed that under the policy only handloom clothes should be purchased to provide employment to the weavers?

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ANSWER

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(a) to (d): Association of Corporations & Apex Societies of Handlooms (ACASH) is the nodal office of Ministry of Textiles, Government of India to supply handloom clothes to the Central Ministries and their Departments. ACASH is supplying handloom cloths through its member societies under Single Tender System. During the year 2017-2018, ACASH supplied handloom clothes worth Rs.97.00 crores. Ministry of Railways is procuring the required handloom clothes through GeM. However, from time to time, directions have been issued by the Government of India to various Ministries/Departments to purchase handloom clothes from ACASH.
