LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1140 ANSWERED TO BE ON 28.06.2019

URBAN HAATS

1140. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

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

- a) whether the Government proposes to establish 'Urban Haats' for handicrafts and craftsmen;
- b) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- c) whether the Government proposes to establish 'Urban Haats' in various districts including Sikar of Rajasthan;
- d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- e) whether the Government proposes to grant administrative and financial approval for establishment of 'Urban Haats'; and
- f) the time by which the approval is likely to be granted?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Government sets up Urban Haat in big towns/metropolitan cities to provide direct marketing facilities to handicrafts artisans. The financial ceiling for Urban Haat is Rs. 300 Lakhs for each unit in which 80% of the admissible amount is borne by the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) and 20% is contributed by the implementing agency. The land is also provided by implementing agency. 35 Urban Haats have been constructed throughout the country.
- (c) to (f): The proposals for setting up Urban Haats for Sikar and Alwar were received from the state of Rajasthan. A PAMC meeting was held on 21.05.2013 under the Chairmanship of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), wherein the proposal for construction of Sikar Urban Haat could not be considered as the State Government of Rajasthan had already been constructing Urban Haat at Sikar. Further, the land proposed by Implementing Agency for setting up Urban Haat at Alwar was not found suitable by the Committee. Accordingly, the implementing agency was requested to propose new venue for setting up Urban Haat at Alwar. At present, three Urban Haats are functional in Rajasthan at Ajmer, Jodhpur and Jaipur.
