LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *401 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023

SETTING UP OF HANDLOOM CLUSTERS

*401. SHRI SATYADEV PACHAURI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up handloom clusters for the benefit of weavers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the extent of progress made so far in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned during the last three years including the current year, State-wise and year-wise?

उत्तर ANSWER वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल) MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *401 for answer on 29.03.2023.

(a) & (b): Ministry of Textiles has been implementing Cluster Development Programme under National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) to provide need based financial assistance to handloom workers in identified clusters. The proposals are received from States/UTs/WSCs for implementation of various interventions like looms & upgraded accessories, solar lighting units, worksheds, design and product development, marketing etc.

Since, 2015-16, financial assistance has been provided to 619 handloom clusters across the country benefitting 59,750 handloom workers by providing looms & upgraded accessories and skill upgradation to 73,945, worksheds to 4,051 and lighting units to 6,023 handloom workers.

(c): State-wise and year-wise details of financial assistance provided to handloom clusters during the last three years and current year (till 20.03.2023) are as under:

| (Rs.in lak) | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|---------|---------|----------|-------------------|
| S. | State/UT | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
| No. | | | | | (till 20.03.2023) |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 360.22 | 212.80 | 1,448.66 | 959.68 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 37.76 | 1 | 1 | 410.36 |
| 3 | Assam | 146.91 | 589.69 | 241.85 | 1,124.38 |
| 4 | Bihar | - | 7.47 | 420.42 | 1,007.39 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 52.10 | 41.22 | 186.36 | 36.09 |
| 6 | Gujarat | - | 74.94 | 61.42 | 33.24 |
| 7 | Himachal Pradesh | 4.24 | 37.52 | 15.56 | 276.78 |
| 8 | Jammu & Kashmir | 23.39 | 90.17 | 142.22 | 120.31 |
| 9 | Jharkhand | 0.00 | 258.64 | 216.63 | 101.39 |
| 10 | Karnataka | 71.17 | 179.48 | 190.45 | 278.22 |
| 11 | Kerala | 67.86 | 133.55 | 285.82 | 338.69 |
| 12 | Ladakh | 6.65 | - | 0.00 | 13.98 |
| 13 | Madhya Pradesh | - | - | 99.17 | 49.27 |
| 14 | Maharashtra | 53.29 | 106.87 | 44.03 | 35.97 |
| 15 | Manipur | 315.81 | - | 607.36 | 2,387.66 |
| 16 | Mizoram | 32.14 | - | 486.12 | 566.18 |
| 17 | Nagaland | - | - | 45.12 | 23.12 |
| 18 | Odisha | 472.20 | 231.51 | 157.22 | 261.1 |
| 19 | Rajasthan | - | - | 25.50 | - |
| 20 | Tamil Nadu | 24.25 | | 489.29 | 105.03 |
| 21 | Telangana | 23.75 | 10.17 | 327.01 | 733.74 |
| 22 | Tripura | 24.90 | - | 205.51 | 293.31 |
| 23 | Uttar Pradesh | 146.64 | 65.22 | 239.10 | 660.45 |
| 24 | Uttarakhand | 5.40 | - | 12.46 | - |
| 25 | West Bengal | 327.23 | 0.50 | 13.76 | 94.37 |
| | Total | 2,195 | 2,039 | 5,961 | 9,910 |