

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3794  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2023

SFURTI IN ANDHRA PRADESH

3794. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and number of clusters out of 266 clusters under implementation under Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) that exceeded the mandated time limit of 12/18 months;
- (b) whether any study has been conducted to assess the tangible improvement in wages/profits of the beneficiaries due to SFURTI;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the wage improvement classified under the scheme cluster/ industry-wise;
- (d) the details of the hard and soft infrastructure installed after fund approval in the State of Andhra Pradesh, cluster-wise;
- (e) whether data has been maintained separately for rural and urban beneficiaries for the said State and if so, the details thereof, cluster-wise; and
- (f) whether data has been maintained regarding soft intervention and if so, the details thereof, cluster-wise along with the outcomes achieved through the soft interventions?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

- (a): As on date, 281 clusters have become functional. The details of clusters that exceeded the mandated time limit of 12/18 months is placed at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) & (c): An exercise was undertaken through Nodal Agencies (NA) in September, 2022 to gather the data regarding improvement in artisans' income. As per the data submitted for 213 clusters there was an overall 83% increase in income of artisans as compared to pre-intervention period. The Sector-wise details are placed at Annexure-II.
- (d): As on date, 16 clusters have been approved in the State of Andhra Pradesh with a total Govt. of India assistance of ₹3731.56 Lakhs towards Hard Intervention and ₹327.35 towards Soft Intervention.
- (e): No Sir. The urban-rural beneficiary data is not collected separately.
- (f): As per the funding pattern of the scheme, financial limit for Govt. of India assistance for Soft Interventions is 10% of the amount of Hard Interventions or ₹ 25 lakhs, whichever is less. Soft interventions includes activities including general awareness, counselling, motivation and trust building, skill development and capacity building, institution development, exposure visits, market promotion initiatives, workshops, and training programmes etc. Since soft intervention activities are project specific the data is maintained at Nodal Agency level.

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**Annexure-I**

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3794 due for reply on 23.03.2023**

S. No.	Financial Year	Number of Clusters Approved	Number of Clusters made functional.	Number of Clusters exceeded the mandated timeline
1	2015-16	29	28	1
2	2016-17	38	35	3
3	2017-18	2	2	0
4	2018-19	64	41	23
5	2019-20	157	114	13
6	2020-21	107	47	60
7	2021-22	101	14	22
Total		498	281	122

## Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) & (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3794 due for reply on 23.03.2023

Details of sector wise increase in income in respect of functional clusters under SFURTI as compared to pre-intervention period.		
Sector	Number of Cluster	Change in Artisan Income
Agro	38	89%
Bamboo	17	88%
Coir	16	89%
Handicraft	57	83%
Honey	3	93%
Khadi	3	62%
Textile	79	68%