

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5291  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

PM VISHWAKARMA KAUSHAL SAMMAN

5291. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:  
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:  
SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to implement PM Vishwakarma Kaushal Samman (PM VIKAS) Scheme which represents the true spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the scheme includes not only financial support but also access to advanced skill training, knowledge of modern digital techniques, efficient green technologies, brand promotion, linkage with local and global markets, digital payments and social security which will greatly benefit the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBCs, women and people belonging to the weaker sections of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State wise along with the funds sanctioned/spent in this regard till now; and
- (d) whether the new scheme would enable them to improve the quality, scale and reach of their products and integrating them with the MSME value chain and if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER  
वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती दर्शना जरदोश)  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES  
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

**(a) to (d):** Budget 2023 announced PM Vishwakarma KAushal Samman (PM VIKAS) as a package of assistance for artisans and craftspeople, who work with their hands using tools. The objective of PM VIKAS is to enable the artisan and craftspeople to improve the quality, scale and reach of their products, integrating them with the value chain. It will include not only financial support but also access to advanced skill training, knowledge of modern digital techniques and efficient green technologies, brand promotion, linkage with local and global markets, digital payments, and social security benefitting the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBCs, women and people belonging to the weaker sections. Stakeholder consultations have been undertaken. A Post Budget Webinar on PM VIKAS was organised on 11.03.2023 for the scheme formation.

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