

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3240
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

TEXTILES AND HANDLOOM WORKERS

3240. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:
SHRIMATI DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI:

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

- (a) the details of the number of textiles and handloom workers in various parts of the country particularly in Maharashtra, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to start a welfare fund and implement any welfare scheme for the rehabilitation of the said textiles and handloom workers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof State-wise,;
- (d) the details of schemes/projects already implemented for textiles and handloom workers in various parts of the country particularly in Maharashtra, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu; and
- (e) the year-wise details of the funds spent in this regard during the last three years and the current year?

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

(a): The textile industry is one of the largest sources of employment generation in the country with over 45 million textile workers, including a large number of women and rural population. The state-wise and UT-wise textile workers data is not maintained. As regards Handloom sector, as per 4th All India Handloom Census, 35.22 lakh handloom workers are in the country, out of this, 3,509 handloom workers are in Maharashtra.

(b) to (d): Ministry of Textiles is implementing following schemes to promote the handlooms and welfare of handloom workers across the country including Maharashtra, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu:

1. National Handloom Development Programme;
2. Raw Material Supply Scheme;

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided to eligible handloom agencies/workers for raw materials, procurement of upgraded looms & accessories, solar lighting units, construction of workshed, product & design development, technical and common infrastructure, marketing of handloom products in domestic/overseas markets, concessional loans under weavers' MUDRA scheme and social security etc.

Government is implementing various schemes/ programmes on pan India basis including in the state of Maharashtra and UT Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu viz. Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles, Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Scheme, Silk Samagra-2, SAMARTH - Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector, Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS), National Technical Textile Mission (NTTM),

Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), National Handloom Development Programme and National Handicrafts Development Programme etc. for overall development of textile sector including providing thrust in generating employment opportunities.

(e): The year-wise details of fund spent during the last three years and current year in Handloom sector are as follows.

(Rs. in crore)					
S. No.	Name of the Scheme	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (as on 02.08.2023)
1.	National Handloom Development Programme	159.53	165.37	152.51	24.39
2.	Raw Material Supply Scheme	60.32	89.53	139.70	61.90
