

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3351  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF HANDLOOM TECHNOLOGY

3351. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

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

- (a) whether Panipat under Karnal Parliamentary Constituency, is famous in the world for the Handloom Industry;
- (b) whether Panipat accounts for a major share in the total handloom items exported from India and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to open Indian Institute of Handloom Technology in Panipat to overcome the shortage of technical manpower promote exports and resolve other issues of Handloom Industry?

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

**(a) & (b):** Yes, Panipat is an important hub for Handloom Production and Exports. India's total export of Handloom Products for the Financial Year 2022-23 is Rs. 1,461.78 crore out of which export of Handloom Product from Panipat is Rs. 718.13 crore with a share of 49%.

**(c):** There are 6 Indian Institutes of Handloom Technology (IIHTs) under Central Sector under the administrative control of Office of Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles and are situated at Salem (Tamilnadu), Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh), Guwahati (Assam), Jodhpur (Rajasthan), Bargarh (Odisha) and Fulia, Shantipur (West Bengal). Besides, 4 IIHTs under State Sector are also functioning under the administrative control of respective State Governments and are situated at Venkatagiri (Andhra Pradesh), Gadag-Betgeri (Karnataka), Champa (Chattisgarh) and Kannur (Kerala).

No proposal for setting up of Indian Institute of Handloom Technology at Panipat is under consideration presently.

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