LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1691 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023

JUTE MARK INDIA

1691. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has introduced certification of authenticity for jute products with the unveiling of 'Jute Mark India' which will promote and protect Indian jute products and will also provide the collective identity and assurance on origin and quality for traditional jute and jute products;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the progress made in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any step to promote the jute products; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (a) &(b): Ministry of Textiles has introduced certification of authenticity for Jute Products with the unveiling of Jute Mark India Logo on 09th July 2022. Jute Mark India provides collective identity and assurance on origin and quality for traditional jute & jute diversified products. So far, 55 vendors have registered for availing Jute Mark India Logo.
- (c) & (d): The Government has approved an Umbrella scheme namely National Jute Development Program (NJDP) with a total outlay of Rs 485.58 crore for implementation during 2021-22 to 2025-26 for over all development and promotion of Jute Sector. NJDP covers following schemes:
 - (i) Improved Cultivation and Advanced Retting Exercise (Jute ICARE) –To introduce package of scientific methods of jute cultivation and retting exercises for improving fibre quality and productivity and reducing the cost of jute production and increasing farmers' income.
 - (ii) Jute Resource cum Production Centre (JRCPC)- To spread jute diversification programme by providing trainings to new artisans and WSHGs for sustained employment for production of Jute Diversified Products (JDPs).
 - (iii) Jute Raw Material Bank (JRMB)- To supply jute raw material to jute artisans, MSMEs for production of JDPs at Mill Gate price.

- (iv) Jute Retail Outlets (JRO) Scheme To facilitate existing and new artisans / entrepreneurs for promotion and sale of JDPs through Retail Outlets / Showrooms.
- (v) Jute Design Resource Centre (JDRC)- For designing and development of market worthy innovative jute diversified products and helping existing and new JDP manufacturers and exporters.
- (vi) Product Diversification (R&D) Studies- To explore Research & Development in Textile and Non Textile Applications.
- (vii) Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme To support Jute Mills and MSME JDP units for manufacturing and exporting JDPs and making them cost competitive in the international markets.
- (viii) Capital Subsidy for Acquisition of Plant & Machinery (CSAPM)- For manufacturing (JDPs) and to facilitate modernization / upgradation of the existing Jute mills and MSME JDP Units.
 - (ix) Market Development Promotion activities (Domestic & Exports)- To support the JDP units for promotion and sale of JDPs, in the Domestic market and to registered jute exporters to boost export of jute goods. Development of Jute Mark Logo for Certification of Quality Jute Diversified products and Launching publicity campaign to popularize jute.
 - (x) Scholarship Scheme for the girl children of the workers of jute mills, JDP- MSMEs: To support girl children of the workers of Jute Mills/MSME-JDP Units in the form of incentives.
