

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3417
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2020

NUMBER OF WEAVERS

3417. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

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

- (a) the number of weavers in the country, State-wise including Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh as on date;
- (b) whether the Government has sanctioned/released money for execution of various schemes for weavers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure optimum use of sanctioned/released fund to benefit weavers?

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ANSWER
वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति जूबिन इरानी)
MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): According to 4th All India Handloom Census there are 35,22,512 handloom workers in all over India including Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh State. Detail of State-wise no. of handloom workers is enclosed in Annexure- "A".

Budgetary allocation of funds is not made State-wise. The funds are released to eligible agencies based on the viable proposals received and utilization of previous release funds. The Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms sanctions and releases funds to the eligible handloom agencies for implementation of various schemes. Details of funds released in the last three years and the current year for various schemes are as under: -

Scheme-wise funds released in the last three years and current year					
Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	2016-17 (Rs. In crore)	2017-18 (Rs. In crore)	2018-19 (Rs. In crore)	2019-20 (Rs. In crore) (as on 04-03-2020)
1	National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)	153.56	135.05	119.72	132.84
2	Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)	40.11	31.82	16.38	14.65
3	Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme (HWCWS)	26.56	24.98	2.06	8.01
4	Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)	261.35	199.84	126.84	136.90
	Total	481.58	391.69	265.00	292.40

The Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms makes all efforts in close coordination with the State Governments and Weavers' Service Centres through regular correspondence, interaction and by holding meetings for optimum utilisation of funds allocated for various schemes.

Number of Handloom Workers as per 4th All India Handloom Census 2019-20

S.No	State Name	Number of Handloom Workers
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	177447
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	94616
3	ASSAM	1283881
4	BIHAR	12847
5	CHHATTISGARH	21503
6	DELHI	4285
7	GOA	26
8	GUJARAT	10601
9	HARYANA	25542
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	13688
11	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	23328
12	JHARKHAND	22497
13	KARNATAKA	54791
14	KERALA	22084
15	MADHYA PRADESH	18072
16	MAHARASHTRA	3509
17	MANIPUR	224684
18	MEGHALAYA	42774
19	MIZORAM	27540
20	NAGALAND	43484
21	ODISHA	117836
22	PUDUCHERRY	1690
23	PUNJAB	969
24	RAJASTHAN	10090
25	SIKKIM	697
26	TAMIL NADU	243575
27	TELANGANA	47852
28	TRIPURA	137639
29	UTTAR PRADESH	190957
30	UTTARAKHAND	12561
31	WEST BENGAL	631447
Total		3522512
