

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2020
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.02.2021

SCHEME FOR POWERLOOM SECTOR

2020. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

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

- (a) the salient features of Group Workshed Scheme for Powerloom sector in the country along with the objective and scope of the scheme;
- (b) whether the Government has modified the existing Group Workshed Scheme to decentralize the powerloom sector and to organize powerloom units in a cluster and improve their working conditions;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the eligibility/ criteria to avail the facilities under this scheme;
- (d) the total number of powerloom units benefited under this scheme during the previous three years, State-wise;
- (e) the total amount released and spent by the Government under this scheme during the said period; and
- (f) the other measures taken by the Government to improve the condition of powerloom sector?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी)

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): The Government is implementing Group Workshed Scheme for Powerloom sector under PowerTex India with an aim to establish Group Worksheds for installation of modern looms in an existing or new cluster, which will provide required scale of economies for business operations and to organize powerloom units in a cluster and to provide improved working condition in terms of more space, work environment, improve the work efficiency to enhance their competitiveness in the global market.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. The Government launched PowerTex India, a comprehensive scheme for Powerloom sector development with effect from 01.04.2017 to 31.03.2020 (further extended for 1 year upto 31.03.2021), modifying the old Group Workshed Scheme under Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Sector Schemes (ISPSD) which was in operation from 1.4.2012 to 31.03.2017. Eligible beneficiaries under the modified scheme include weaver(s) and entrepreneur(s) associated with powerloom units, including master weaver(s), registered co-operative societies of powerloom weavers or any new entrepreneur(s) individually or in-group.

(d): State-wise number of Powerloom Industry benefited under GWSS for the last three years is as under: -

(Rs. in crore)

S.No	State	2017-18 to 2019-20	
		Projects sanctioned	units
1.	Gujarat	99	633
2.	Maharashtra	14	67
3.	Tamil Nadu	01	04
4.	Madhya Pradesh	01	06
	Total	115	710

(e): The details of the amount released and spent by the Government under this scheme for the last three years is as under: -

S. No.	Year	Govt. of India share released and Spent (Rs. in Cr.) *
1	2017-18	21.53
2	2018-19	7.64
3	2019-20	25.97
Total		55.14

* Including funds released to the completed and installments for ongoing projects.

(f): In order to improve the conditions of Powerloom wavers and for holistic growth of Powerloom sector, the Government has launched PowerTex India, a comprehensive Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development w.e.f. 01.04.2017 to 31.03.2020 (further extended for 1 year upto 31.03.2021). The components of the scheme are (i) Insitu Upgradation of Plain Powerloom, (ii) Group Workshed Scheme, (iii) Yarn Bank, (iv) Common Facility Centre, (v) Solar Energy Scheme, (vi) Pradhan Mantri Credit Scheme, (vii) Tex Venture Fund, (viii) Grant-in-aid & modernization of Powerloom Service Centres and (xi) Facilitation and Information Technology.
