LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1854 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2021

WORKFORCE INVOLVED IN HANDLOOM

1854. SHRIMATI RAKSHA NIKHIL KHADSE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to figure out the total number of work force, men, women, and children, involved in handloom sector, separately;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to conduct any survey in this regard to strengthen the ancient works of art form across various locations of the country; and
- (d) the steps taken to improve their efficiency in the field of handloom and the outcome thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती दर्शना जरदोश)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

- (a) to (c): According to Fourth All India Handloom Census 2019-20 report, there are 35, 22,512 handloom workers across the country. Out of which 9, 75,733 are male, 25, 46,285 are female, & 494 are transgender.
- (d): To promote the handloom sector, Ministry of Textiles, is implementing the following schemes across the country:-
 - 1) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)
 - 2) Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)
 - 3) Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme (HWCWS)
 - 4) Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided for raw materials, purchase of looms and accessories, design innovation, product diversification, infrastructure development, skill upgradation, lighting units, marketing of handloom products and loan at concessional rates.