LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1323
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2022

PROMOTION OF TRADITIONAL HANDICRAFT

1323. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

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

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for the development and promotion of traditional handicrafts industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has formed any Schemes/ programmes for the benefit of traditional handloom factories and their workers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a) & (b): The Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) implements "National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP)" and Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS) for development of handicraft in a holistic manner and to provide sustainable livelihood opportunities to the artisans. The NHDP and CHCDS has following components:

1. Marketing Support & Services
2. Skill Development in Handicrafts Sector
3. Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana
4. Direct Benefit to Artisans
5. Infrastructure and Technology Support
6. Research and Development
7. Mega Cluster

(c) & (d): The Office of Development Commissioner (Handlooms) is implementing following schemes for development and promotion of handloom sector and welfare of traditional handloom weavers and workers across the country: -

1. National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)
2. Raw Material Supply Scheme (RMSS)

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided to the eligible handloom agencies/weavers for raw materials, purchase of looms/accessories/lighting units, construction of worksheds, MUDRA loans at concessional rates, design development, common infrastructure development, marketing of handloom products, developmental projects, registration of handloom projects under Geographical Indication Act, promotion of Handloom Mark and India Handloom Brand etc.

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