

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5654  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.04.2022

HANDLOOM CLUSTER IN JHARKHAND

5654. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Jharkhand for sanction of Handloom Clusters in their State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Union Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Union Government is planning to develop such clusters in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of such clusters currently functional in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;
- (e) the details of the places identified for establishment of new handloom clusters in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand; and
- (f) the present status of mega handloom clusters in the country, State/UT-wise?

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

**(a) to (e):** Previously, 30 handloom clusters have been provided financial assistance in Jharkhand State. In the current financial year 2021-22, no proposal has been received from State Government. However, financial assistance has been sanctioned for implementation of upgraded looms/accessories, lighting units, construction of worksheds by Weavers' Service Centre, Ranchi in the handloom pockets other than integrated cluster development projects during the current year in Jharkhand State. Based on the proposals received from State/UT Governments, 508 handloom clusters have been provided need based financial assistance by the Ministry of Textiles across the country since, 2015-16 to 2021-22 (including financial assistance for 30 handloom clusters in Jharkhand State). State/UT-wise number of handloom clusters provided financial assistance in the country including Jharkhand is annexed.

**(f):** 8 mega handloom clusters have been provided financial assistance for different projects in the country, namely Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh), Sivasagar (Assam), Virudhunagar (Tamil Nadu), Murshidabad (West Bengal), Prakasam & Guntur districts (Andhra Pradesh), Godda & neighbouring districts (Jharkhand) Bhagalpur (Bihar) and Trichy (Tamil Nadu). Besides, one mega handloom cluster at Imphal (East) in Manipur State has been approved in current year 2021-22.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.5654 for answer on 06.04.2022		
State-wise number of handloom clusters provided financial assistance during 2015-16 to 2021-22 (till February 2022)		
S. No.	States	No. of handloom clusters provided financial assistance
1	Andhra Pradesh	66
2	Arunachal Pradesh	11
3	Assam	59
4	Bihar	17
5	Chhattisgarh	12
6	Gujarat	5
7	Himachal Pradesh	10
8	Jammu & Kashmir	15
9	Jharkhand	30
10	Karnataka	9
11	Kerala	11
12	Ladakh	1
13	Madhya Pradesh	9
14	Maharashtra	6
15	Manipur	20
16	Meghalaya	3
17	Mizoram	15
18	Nagaland	13
19	Odisha	30
20	Rajasthan	2
21	Sikkim	1
22	Tamil Nadu	58
23	Telangana	15
24	Tripura	9
25	Uttar Pradesh	52
26	Uttarakhand	3
27	West Bengal	26
	<b>Total</b>	<b>508</b>

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