

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2846
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022

TECHNOLOGY UPGRADATION IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY

2846. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

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

- (a) whether assistance is being provided for technology upgradation in textile industry and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the assistance is being provided for preservation of traditional/tribal textile skills in cloth manufacturing and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of tribal children trained in traditional tribal textile skills by the Government?

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ANSWER

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

(a): Ministry of Textiles is providing capital investment subsidy for eligible investment in technology upgradation across textile manufacturing sector under Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) implemented since 2016. Financial support is also provided under National Handloom Development Programme for upgradation of looms and accessories to handloom weavers. Various Technology Upgradation assistance and improved toolkits are provided to handicraft artisans under National Handicraft Development Programme. The new technologies developed by Central Silk Board R&D institutes are transferred to the stakeholders by providing financial assistance to the State Sericulture Departments through beneficiary oriented components under Silk Samagra Scheme.

(b) & (c): The Ministry of Textiles is implementing SAMARTH- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector (SCBTS) across the country including tribal areas to address the skilled manpower requirement of organized textile sector and traditional sectors of handlooms, handicrafts, sericulture and jute. Under SAMARTH, preference is given to the marginalized social groups like women, SC/ST, differently-abled persons, minorities, persons from the BPL category and 115 Aspirational Districts notified by the NITI Aayog. A total of 3,281 Scheduled Tribe beneficiaries have been provided skill training in traditional textile sector courses (Handloom-1,997, Handicraft-1,020, Sericulture-197 and Jute-67) under SAMARTH. Also, 6,215 Scheduled Tribe beneficiaries have been trained in courses relating to organized textile manufacturing sectors under the scheme. In addition, a total of 4,820 tribal artisans have benefitted through 238 training programmes conducted by O/o Development commissioner (Handicrafts) since 2018-19.
