LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *224 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2025

TEXTILE SECTOR POTENTIAL IN NASHIK

*224. SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the textile sector potential of Nashik district in Maharashtra, including handloom, powerloom, garment, and technical textiles;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its key findings;
- (c) whether small weavers, powerloom operators and textile MSMEs in Nashik reportedly face challenges due to lack of modern infrastructure, common facilities, design and marketing support, and limited access to credit despite various Central schemes, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to approve any major textile park, modern cluster or skill development centre specifically for Nashik to boost local employment; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and steps proposed to be taken to develop Nashik as a sustainable textile hub in Maharashtra?

उत्तर ANSWER वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री गिरिराज सिंह) MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a) to (e):- A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *224 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2025 ASKED BY SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE REGARDING "TEXTILE SECTOR POTENTIAL IN NASHIK".

- (a) & (b): Ministry of Textiles has not conducted any district specific assessment study of Nashik. However, the Ministry has assessed the potential of Nashik district while implementing various schemes under powerloom, handloom and handicraft. Nashik district has a strong presence of textiles sector.
- (c): The Ministry has continuously supported the improvement of the textiles ecosystem in Nashik. In particular, to promote modernisation, under Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) subsidy supports provided to 13 units in Nashik district. Support to common facilities under design support to handloom clusters is given through Design Centre of two Weaver Service Centres. The marketing supports are available under various schemes of Department of Commerce as well as through Ministry of Textiles for organising and participating in trade fairs, exhibitions, buyer-seller meets etc. The scheme under MSME such as Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) provides credit supports, a total of 34 textiles units supported under PMEGP in Nashik in the last three years.
- (d) & (e): The Powerloom Service Centre, Malegaon under the aegis of M/o Textiles provides short-term basic weaving training for local people. Government under SAMARTH provides support to demand driven, placement oriented, skilling programme. The State Government has introduced several schemes under the Integrated & Sustainable Textiles Policy 2023-28, targeting ₹25,000 crore investment and 5 lakh jobs over five years. The policy offers benefits such as electricity subsidy, capital subsidy, and solar energy subsidy to textile units across Maharashtra.
