

IDENTITY CARDS TO HANDICRAFT ARTISANS

281. SHRI SATPAL BRAHAMCHARI:

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

- (a) the details of the identity cards issued to handicraft artisans in Haryana State, especially Sonipat Lok Sabha constituency since the inception of the scheme, district-wise;
- (b) the details of the benefits received by the identity card holders under the National Handicraft Development Program, Comprehensive Handicraft Cluster Development Scheme etc.;
- (c) the details of handicraft artisans benefited from the above schemes and other schemes of the Ministry during the last three years and the current year, State/District and Scheme-wise in Haryana State, especially Sonipat Lok Sabha; and
- (d) the budget allocated for the above scheme during the last year and the scheme-wise amount spent during the current year?

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वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री गिरिराज सिंह)
MINISTER OF TEXTILES
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(a): The total number of artisans registered under Pahchaan initiative in the country, and district-wise in Haryana State especially Sonipat is enclosed at **Annexure-I**.

(b): The Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) under the aegis of Ministry of Textiles implements two schemes namely National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP) and Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS) for overall development and promotion of handicrafts sector across the country. Under these schemes, need based financial assistance is provided for end-to-end support to the artisans with identity cards through marketing events, skill development, cluster development, formation of Producer Companies, direct benefit to artisans, infrastructural & technology support and research & development support, which benefit the traditional crafts and artisans throughout the country.

(c): Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) provides support to the cluster artisans and does not maintain data of district-wise beneficiaries. Schemes of DC(Handicrafts) are need-based and may vary from state to state. However, total number of artisans benefited from schemes of Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) and the Samarth scheme, Ministry of Textiles during the last three years and the current year in the state of Haryana is as under:

S. No.	Artisans benefitted during the year in the state of Haryana	Handicrafts artisans benefitted from schemes of Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) & SAMARTH, Ministry of Textiles
1	2022-2023	2,056
2	2023-2024	1,233
3	2024-2025	710
4	2025-2026 (up to June)	98

(d): The budget allocated for the financial year 2024-25 for above schemes and expenditure incurred, scheme-wise, is as under:

(Rs. In Crores)

S. No	Scheme	2024-25		2025-26 (up to 10.07.2025)	
		Revised Estimate	Expenditure	Budget Estimate	Expenditure
1	National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP)	175.00	170.64	199.00	57.04
2	Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)	25.00	24.59	60.00	22.84

*During FY 2024-25 expenditure of Rs. 71.46 lakhs and in the current FY 2025-26 expenditure of Rs. 19.8 lakh has been incurred till 30th June 2025 in the state of Haryana under the cluster based programmes.

ANNEXURE-I

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 281 for answer on 22.07.2025.

District-wise number of artisans registered under the Pahchaan initiative in the State of Haryana till 30.06.2025:

S. No.	District	Number of Artisans
1.	Rewari	2,118
2.	Mewat	1,595
3.	Panipat	3,523
4.	Jind	764
5.	Hissar	1,330
6.	Sirsa	1,094
7.	Karnal	1,799
8.	Bhiwani	1,457
9.	Punchkula	456
10.	Faridabad	1,671
11.	Mahendragarh	626
12.	Kaithal	701
13.	Ambala	3,560
14.	Gurgaon	1,669
15.	Jhajhr	783
16.	Sonipat	1,608
17.	Kurukshetra	1,311
18.	Fatehabad	29
19.	Rohtak	586
20.	Yamuna Nagar	6,271
21.	Chandigarh (Ut)	478
22.	Palwal	483
23.	Charkhi Dadri	16
	TOTAL	33,928
