

MODERNISATION OF SERICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE

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

- (a) the progress on setting up PM MITRA parks and modernization of sericulture infrastructure in the country; and
- (b) the measures being taken to improve India's global ranking in textile manufacturing?

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(a)&(b): The Government has approved seven PM MITRA Parks. The PM MITRA scheme envisages to develop large-scale, integrated, world-class textile facilities to improve the competitiveness of Indian textile industry. Under the scheme, infrastructure works worth ₹1,197.33 crore have been initiated by State Governments with an expenditure of ₹291.61 crore incurred so far.

For modernisation of sericulture infrastructure, the Government through Central Silk Board (CSB) is implementing following measures under Silk Samagra-2 scheme:

- i. Introducing modern technologies/machineries to enhance silk quality and productivity, mechanisation of silkworm rearing and seed production, and improving post-cocoon processes to reduce drudgery and improve economic returns.
- ii. Establishing Automatic Reeling Machines (ARM)/Units for production of 3A–4A grade raw silk from bivoltine cocoons.
- iii. Strengthening cold storage and grainage facilities to produce, store, and supply quality silkworm seed.
- iv. Strengthening R&D to improve cocoon production and productivity by developing improved mulberry/host plant varieties, silkworm hybrids, and technology packages.
- v. Under the Silk Samagra-2 scheme (2021–26), measures such as raising of kisaan nurseries, silkworm rearing packages (plantation, irrigation, rearing houses, equipment, prophylactic measures), establishment of chawki rearing centres, silkworm seed sector infrastructure, silk reeling, spinning, weaving, and processing, are implemented for the overall development of the sericulture industry.

The Government has launched Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Textiles, with an outlay of ₹10,683 crore to promote production of Man Made Fibre (MMF) apparel, MMF fabrics, and products of technical textiles, aiming to achieve size and scale for global competitiveness and to improve India's global ranking in textile manufacturing.