

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *165
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2025

CLUSTERS UNDER SFURTI IN MAHARASHTRA

*165. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:
 SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAVAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the activities/programmes presently being implemented in the country under the Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI);
- (b) whether the Government has approved any clusters under SFURTI in Maharashtra, particularly in Parbhani Lok Sabha Constituency during the last five years and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of financial assistance sanctioned and released under the said scheme during the last five years, cluster and year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any impact assessment to evaluate employment generation, income enhancement and product diversification through SFURTI clusters in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the manner in which the Government is providing fair marketing support, branding and ecommerce linkage for products developed by SFURTI clusters in Maharashtra?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI JITAN RAM MANJHI)

(a) to (e): A Statement laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE PARTS OF (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *165 FOR ANSWER ON 11.12.2025.

(a): Under Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), the following activities are being implemented by Government for the approved clusters:

- i. Construction of Common Facility Centre, procurement and installation of Plant and Machinery and provision of Raw Material Bank under **Hard Intervention**.
- ii. Conducting training, exposure visits, buyer seller meets etc. Under **Soft Intervention**.

(b) and (c): Since FY 2020-21, 13 clusters have been approved in Maharashtra including Parbhani Lok Sabha Constituency. The details are given at **Annexure-I**.

(d): An evaluation study on Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) was undertaken by the Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow during the year 2021, covering 18 clusters across 8 States (including Maharashtra) and a study was undertaken by NITI Aayog during the year 2022, covering 50 clusters across 6 States. In addition to the evaluation studies, a review of 90 functional SFURTI clusters was conducted by the Ministry in FY 2024-25. Key findings are as follows:-

- i. Income levels of artisans have increased by 10-20% generally due to value addition, product diversification, and access to both domestic and export-oriented markets.
- ii. Employment generation has expanded through regular wage-based work at Common Facility Centres (CFCs), contributing to more stable livelihoods in rural and forest-adjacent areas. Women's participation is found to be more than 50% across the SFURTI clusters.
- iii. The use of modern machinery and technology helped to improve product quality and increase production.
- iv. Strengthening the role of SPVs across clusters is essential to ensure the effective reach of benefits to artisans.
- v. Ensuring efficient milestone-based monitoring through periodic reviews and follow-ups of approved clusters.

(e): Under the Scheme, the empanelled Technical Agencies (TAs) assist the clusters in developing and implementing marketing strategies with a special focus on e-commerce, including using online marketing platforms, planning and developing business development strategies, new media marketing, promotion and advertising through regular publicity channels.

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (b) and (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *165 for answer on 11.12.2025.

Details of clusters approved in Maharashtra (Since FY 2020-21)

S. No.	Cluster Name	Lok Sabha Constituency	Approved Committed GoI Assistance (INR In Lakhs)	Year -wise Fund Released (INR in Lakhs)						Total Fund Released since 2020-21
				2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	
1	Bamboo Craft Cluster Amravati	Amravati	356.88	178.4	178.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	356.88
2	Bhadrawati Terracotta Cluster	Chandrapur	166.85	83.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	83.42
3	Bhandara Forest Based Lac Processing Cluster	Yavatmal-Washim	269.86	134.9	0.0	0.0	120.9	0.0	7.0	262.87
4	Nashik Pottery Cluster	Nashik	343.44	171.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	41.0	67.7	279.948
5	Paithini Saree, Embroidery and Stitching Cluster	Nashik	427.29	213.6	213.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	427.29
6	Multi Product Processing Cluster	Jalna	228.22	0.0	199.5	0.0	29.6	0.0	0.0	228.22
7	Plush Toys Cluster	Parbhani	387.73	193.7	194.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	387.73*
8	Solapur Broom & Allied Products Cluster	Solapur	173.49	86.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	86.75
9	Spice Processing, Aurangabad	Aurangabad	462.63	0.0	231.3	0.0	220.0	0.0	11.3	462.63
10	Sundarban Fruit & Vegetable Processing Cluster	Pune	227.82	113.9	0.0	0.0	100.5	0.0	13.4	227.82
11	The Multi Product Cluster	Hingoli	309.54	154.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	60.0	0.0	214.77
12	Dairy Development & Entrepreneurship for Farming and Landless Milk Producer Community Pavani & Lakhandur cluster	Bhandara-Gondiya	412.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	Dragon palace readymade garment cluster	Nagpur	242.72	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

*Amount of Rs. 225.34 lakhs returned to CNA account by Nodal Agency