

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.\*35  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.02.2016

**TRAINING CENTRES FOR HANDICRAFT**

\*35. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up training centres for promoting handicraft in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the funds allocated and utilised by these centres and number of trainees trained during the last two years and the current year; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up more such training centres and if so, the details thereof?

**उत्तर**

**ANSWER**

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MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

**(a) to (c):** A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*35 FOR ANSWER ON 25.02.2016.**

(a) Yes, the Government of India has set up 175 Carpet Weaving Training Centres, 6 Regional Design and Technical Development Centres (RD&TDC) and 1 Bamboo and Cane Development Institute (BCDI) for promoting handicrafts in country. The details of the Training Centre is as per **Annexure-A.**

(b): The details of fund allocated and utilized for imparting various training programmes for the last two years and current year are as under:-

(Rs. In lakhs)

Name of the Centre		Year 2013-14	Year 2014-15	Year 2015-16 (up to January, 2016)
BCDI Agartala	Fund allocated	116.00	35.00	32.00
	Fund utilized	116.00	35.00	32.00
	No. of trainees trained	515	107	500
RD&TDC	Fund allocated	106.5	92.15	71.78
	Fund utilized	66.39	66.19	24.92
	No. of trainees trained	3220	2430	2070
Carpet Weaving Training Centres	Fund allocated	215.00	190.00	340.00
	Fund utilized	215.00	190.00	284.00
	No. of trainees trained	3950	3950	3296

(c): The Government is proposing to set up 04 (Four) Carpet Production Centres to be established at Bandipora, Budgam, Anantnag&Kulgam in J&K. The details is as per **Annexure-B.**

## **Annexure –A.**

- (i) There are 175 Carpet Weaving Centres out of which 147 are functional and 28 are non functional in the state of Jammu & Kashmir. The Carpet Weaving Training Centres envisages Primary Training Centres and Advanced Training Centres in Carpet Weaving through departmentally run as follows:-

	<b>Primary Training Centre (PTC)</b>	<b>Advanced Training Centre (ATC)</b>
Duration of Course	18 months	18 Months
Number of Trainees	30	20
Rate of stipend per trainees	Rs.500/- p.m.	Rs.700/- p.m.
Number of Training Centres	101	46

- (ii) There are 6 Regional Design and Technical Development Centres located at New Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Kolkata, Guwahati and Bhopal to provide training to the artisans. The Regional Design and Technical Development Centre located at Bhopal is non functional. The craft practiced by these centres are as under :

Sl.No.	Centre	Craft
1	Regional Design & Technical Development Centre, New Delhi	Phulkari, Terracotta, miniature painting, woodware, art metal ware.
2	Regional Design & Technical Development Centre, Mumbai	Leather, bamboo, pottery, jute, paper mache, hand block printing, dhokra craft.
3	Regional Design & Technical Development Centre, Bangalore	Metal ware, hand block printing, Tanjore painting etc.
4	Regional Design & Technical Development Centre, Kolkata	Kantha embroidery, sholapith
5	Regional Design & Technical Development Centre, Guwahati	Cane & bamboo, Jute, Kona craft

- (iii) The Bamboo and Cane Development Institute at Agartala was set up in the year 1974 by the Government of India as a part of departmental activity for training in Cane and Bamboo. Restructuring of Bamboo and Cane Development Institute at Agartala was done in September, 2003. Training programmes in bamboo and Cane craft are being undertaken.

## **Annexure –B**

A project proposal from Indian Institute of Carpet Technology (IICT), Srinagar was received in July, 2011 for setting up of Four Carpet Production Centre to be established at Bandipura, Budgam, Anantnag & Kulgam in Jammu and Kashmir, which is based on the recommendation of Expert Group under Dr. C. Rangarajan, Chairman, Prime Minister Economic Advisory Council to formulate job plan for J&K State.

The proposed Carpet Production Centres (CPC's) will have basic facilities like Carpet Weaving Hall, Design Development Centre, Space for Dyeing of raw material, Washing and clipping of carpets, Raw Material Depo, Class Room for training, Display/Show Room, Canteen etc. under one roof. However, Workshops/Awareness Camps and other related activities would be conducted in the proposed centre on need based only. The objectives of the establishment of Carpet Production Centre in 04 districts are :

- To create healthy/hygienic working atmosphere for the carpet artisans.
- To empower the artisans so that they can earn their livelihood in a dignified manner.
- To create small Self Help Groups (SHG's)/ Corporative Societies of carpet artisans in the craft Concentrated areas which can be a first step towards making the sector an organized one.
- To facilitate convergence of various developmental schemes of other Departments/Ministries of State and Central Government available for such groups.
- To establish/create other production related Services/Facilities under one roof which in turn could reduce the cost of production.
- To create a platform for direct linkages between the artisans and Exporters/Buyers to minimize the role of middleman.
- To expose the artisans to direct customers so that they could understand the market requirements in terms of colour combinations, size, quality etc. and could make products accordingly.
- To establish Modern Infrastructure/Facilities which shall attract more and more people towards this Industry which in turn will create additional employment opportunities.

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