# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1924 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.05.2016

### **URBAN HAATS**

### 1924. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Standing Committee on the Review of Urban Haats (2014-15) has recommended the establishment of Urban Haats in various States/UTs in order to provide direct market facilities to handicraft artisans and handloom weavers:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether various State Governments including Rajasthan have submitted project reports to the Union Government for establishment of Urban Haats;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government intends to issue administrative and financial sanctions for establishment of these urban haats and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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### **ANSWER**

# वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री संतोष कुमार गंगवार) MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): The Standing Committee noted that the main objective of the scheme of setting up of the Urban Haats is to establish a permanent marketing infrastructure in towns/metropolitan cities to provide direct marketing facilities to the handicrafts artisan/handloom weavers and enable them to sell their products round the year to a wider targeted audience/ customers. In pursuance of that objective, the Ministry have been facilitating setting up of Urban Haats, which are owned, managed and operated by Implementing Agencies such as the State Handicrafts/ Handlooms Development Corporations/Tourism Development Corporation/ Urban local bodies.
- (c): Yes, Madam.
- (d): The Urban Haat at Alwar (Rajasthan), Hubli (Karnataka), Bishnupur (Manipur) and Dogergarh (Chhattisgarh) including Rajasthan.
- **(e):** Government will issue administrative and financial sanctions for establishment of these Urban Haats, subject to fulfillment of complete documentation availability of suitable land etc.

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