

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*179
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2016

HANDLOOM CLUSTERS

*179. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Mega Handloom Clusters that are currently functioning in the country, State/UT-wise, including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the financial assistance provided and utilized by these clusters during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government has received fresh proposals for creation of new mega clusters from various State Governments including Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TEXTILES

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED
QUESTION NO.*179 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2016.**

(a) Under the Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS), 08 Mega Handloom Clusters are functioning in the country including Uttar Pradesh. The details are as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	State	Name of Mega Handloom Cluster	Year of budget announcement	Total Project cost	Central share	Special Purpose Vehicle/ State/ Benf. share	Total Central share released
1	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	2008-09	7979.33	6937.67	1041.66	4403.42
2	Assam	Sivasagar	2008-09	4834.00	4236.00	598.00	1241.00
3	West Bengal	Murshidabad	2009-10	10219.00	6925.00	3294.00	1586.00
4	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar	2009-10	7920.87	6999.83	921.04	29.15
		Trichy	2014-15	4516.03	4000.00	516.03	9.75
5	Andhra Pradesh	Prakasam & Guntur Districts	2012-13	7357.00	7000.00	357.00	1445.17
6	Jharkhand	Godda & neighbouring Districts	2012-13	7652.00	7000.00	652.00	943.22
7	Bihar	Bhagalpur	2014-15	1715.15	1621.71	93.44	243.62

(b) The State-wise and Cluster-wise financial assistance provided and utilized for these Clusters during the last three years and the current year are as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	States	Name of Mega Handloom Cluster	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17 (till date)	
			Fund released	Fund utilized	Funds released	Fund utilized	Fund released	Fund utilized	Fund released	Fund utilized
1	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	980.87	980.87	776.53	776.53	841.91	779.28	308.07	-
2	Assam	Sivasagar	246.12	246.12	54.51	54.51	12.61	12.61	385.40	-
3	West Bengal	Murshidabad	281.97	281.97	515.09	515.09	318.92	318.92	66.23	-
4	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar	1199.46	582.93	-	-	-	-	110.00	-
		Trichy	-	-	231.65	231.65	745.22	-	-	-
5	Andhra Pradesh	Prakasam & Guntur districts	7.18	7.18	3.81	3.81	1429.18	-	0.00	-
6	Jharkhand	Godda & neighbouring districts	8.76	8.76	251.85	251.85	317.45	108.44	360.16	-
7	Bihar	Bhagalpur	-	-	5.62	5.62	-	-	238.01	-

(c)&(d) A request was received for sanction of Dharamvaram (Ananthapuram District), Andhra Pradesh as Mega Handloom Cluster. Any additional Mega Handloom Clusters will be taken up as and when announced in the budget with additional allocation of funds.