

(a) the targets and achievements of Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) for the handloom sector since its inception; and

(b) in the current financial year, how much amount was disbursed for handlooms and powerlooms under the TUFS, State-wise and district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI):

(a) No targets have been fixed for handloom sector. No release under the scheme has been made so far.

(b) No fund has been released for handloom under TUFS in the current financial year. Funds disbursed for powerloom sector under TUFS - 20% MMS for the current financial year, state-wise and district-wise as under:-

District/State	Amount disbursed (Rs. in lakh)
Thane/Maharashtra	4.94
Valsad/Gujarat	13.66
Total	18.60

Skill development mission

2879. SHRI BHARATKUMAR RAUT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is planning to launch Skill Development Mission to remove scarcity of skilled workers in organized sectors;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the mission;

(c) whether this mission will create opportunity for lakhs of the workers of unorganized sectors and unemployed workers of the country to get specialized training and get a chance of employment in the organized sectors of textiles industry; and

(d) whether there is any plan to associate National Institute of Fashion Technology with the mission for providing fashion designing skill to the trainees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Status of handloom cooperative in UP

2880. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR :

SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of handloom cooperatives, State-wise especially in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the financial assistance given to each cooperative in Uttar Pradesh during last three years, year-wise and cooperative-wise; and