

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Funds allocation	Funds disbursed
2010-11	2900.00	2784.18
2011-12	3700.00	2937.82
2012-13	2323.03	2151.35

Development of textile industry in North-Eastern States

4627. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the central scheme approved by Government for the development of textile industry in North Eastern States;

(b) whether Government is taking any comprehensive initiative for the betterment of skilled labour in view of the importance of textiles to the richness of human resource indulged in this work; and

(c) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) All the major schemes of the Ministry of Textiles are implemented all over India including the North Eastern States. As per the Government decision, the Ministry of Textiles has been earmarking 10 per cent of its total budget outlay exclusively for the North Eastern States. During the current year the Ministry of Textiles has formulated three new schemes exclusively for implementation in the North Eastern States. These Schemes are North Eastern Textile Promotion Scheme, Scheme for usage of Geotextiles in the North Eastern States and Scheme for Promoting Agrotextiles in North Eastern States. A list of the major schemes that are being implemented for the development of the textile industry in the North Eastern States is given in Statement (*See below*).

(b) and (c) The Government has taken various initiatives to address the issue of deficit of trained manpower in the handloom sector and bridge the gap between the skill and the market requirement. The Scheme of Integrated Skill Development for Handloom workers targets to create a pool of 50,900 trained weavers in the span of five years from 2012-13. Skill upgradation is also one of the important inputs in the cluster development programme of Integrated Handloom Development

Scheme (IHDS). For the betterment of skilled labour in the handloom sector, the government has introduced policy initiatives such as cluster development approach, marketing promotion, revival of viable and potentially viable societies through loan waiver and recapitalization assistance, availability of subsidized yarn and credit etc. In addition, life insurance and health insurance coverage is also being provided to handloom workers.

The Government is implementing a number of schemes such as (i) Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY), (ii) Design and Technical Upgradation Scheme, (iii) Marketing and Export Promotion Scheme and (iv) Handicraft Artisans Comprehensive Welfare Scheme with components of life insurance and health insurance for the betterment of handicrafts artisans.

Similarly, for the betterment of sericulturists, the government is implementing schemes such as Catalytic Development Programme.

In addition, the Government has introduced the Integrated Skill Development Schemes (ISDS) in 2010-11 with the objective of creating a skilled workforce for the textile sector. Under this scheme, a total of 1,00,000 persons have been trained since the beginning of the scheme. An outlay of Rs.1900 crore has been provided for training 15 lakh persons during the Twelfth Plan.

Statement

Major Schemes of the Ministry of Textiles that are being implemented in the North-Eastern States

1 Handlooms

- (i) Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme with the Components of
 - (a) Health Insurance Scheme
 - (b) Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana
- (ii) Mill Gate Price scheme
- (iii) Diversified Handloom Development Scheme
- (iv) Integrated Handloom Development Scheme (IHDS)
- (v) Marketing and Export Promotion Scheme

2 Handicrafts

- (i) Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY)

- (ii) Design and Technical Upgradation Scheme
- (iii) Marketing Support and Services and Export Promotion Scheme
- (iv) Research and Development
- (v) Human Resource Development
- (vi) Handicraft Artisans Comprehensive Welfare Scheme

3 Sericulture

- (i) Research and Development, Training, Transfer of Technology and IT Initiatives
- (ii) Seed Organisation/Human Resource Development
- (iii) Coordination and Market Development (HRD)
- (iv) Quality Certification Systems
- (v) Catalytic Development Programme (CDP)

4 Powerlooms

- (i) Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development
 - (ii) Group Insurance Scheme
 - (iii) Group Workshed Scheme
 - (iv) Integrated Powerloom cluster development
- 5 Mega Cluster Scheme
- 6 NIFT
- 7 R&D including TRAs
- 8 Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS)
- 9 Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP)
- 10 Jute Technology Mission
- 11 Technical Textiles/(TMTT)
- 12 Textile Engineering including Jute

- 13 Human Resources Development
- 14 Market Development and Product Diversification Scheme
- 15 New Schemes

- i. Comprehensive Handloom Development Scheme.
- ii. North Eastern Textile Promotion Scheme.
- iii. Scheme for Usage of Geotextiles in North Eastern States.
- iv. Scheme for promoting Agro textiles in North East

More than export target of handicraft products

†4628. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite global economic recession the export of handicraft products from the country has been more than the export target of \$3.3 billion during the year 2012-13;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard; and

(c) the reasons for the negative impact of global economic recession not being felt by this sector of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) As reported by Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts & Carpet Export Promotion Council, the export of Handicraft products as well as handmade carpets and other floor coverings have been more than the target fixed by the Government during the year 2012-13, which is as under:

(Value in US \$ Million)		
Name of Item	Target	Achievement
Handicraft Products	3300.00	3304.90
Handmade Carpets and other floor coverings.	1050.00	1074.29

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.