

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) As on 31.03.2014, the number of spinners and weavers working to produce khadi clothes by hand in the country are given below:

| | (in lakh persons) |
|----------|-------------------|
| Spinners | 8.56 |
| Weavers | 1.41 |
| TOTAL | 9.97 |

(b) As on 31.03.2014, the number of spinners and weavers working in the States of Gujarat, Rajasthan and Maharashtra are given below:

| State | Spinners | Weavers | Total |
|-------------|----------|---------|-------|
| Gujarat | 10243 | 4057 | 14300 |
| Rajasthan | 16747 | 2797 | 19544 |
| Maharashtra | 8111 | 295 | 1106 |

(c) Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has developed E-charkha, which has a dynamo and portable storage battery. While plying charkha the battery is energized to supply power of 4 watt which is used to light a LED lamp, listening transistor and charging of cellphone. So far 1464 E-charkhas have been supplied to the khadi institutions. However, the Khadi Institutions and artisans did not favourably accept the same because of increased workload in spinning due to the attached dynamo. E-handloom has not been developed so far.

Steps taken to promote export of Khadi products

2896. SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the remedial steps/corrective action taken by Government, in consultation with State Governments, on the issue of sharp declining business of Khadi Udyog, considering this Udyog provides employment in rural parts of the country and it has been a dream project of Father of the Nation;

(b) whether Government has data regarding revenue generated through export of Khadi projects, if so, the details thereof for last three years, product-wise and country-wise; and

(c) the details of steps taken by Government to promote export of Khadi products, product-wise and specific State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) Government in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) have been implementing various schemes/programmes for the development of khadi through Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC). There has been significant growth in the production, sales and employment during preceding years. The production and sales of khadi during last three years are given below:

| Year | Production | | Sales (₹ in crore) | Cumulative Employment (in lakh persons) |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| | Quantity (lakh sq. metre) | Value (₹ in crore) | | |
| 2011-12 | 887.32 | 716.99 | 967.87 | 10.45 |
| 2012-13 | 909.85 | 761.93 | 1021.56 | 10.71 |
| 2013-14 | 932.51 | 811.07 | 1081.04 | 10.98 |

(b) The main items exported under Khadi are Silk & Muslin, Ready Made Garments, Textile Based Handicraft and Charkha. The product-wise and country-wise export of khadi products during last three years is given below:

| Sl. No. | Products | Export (₹ in lakh) | Countries |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---|
| 2011-12 | | | |
| 1. | Khadi (Silk & Muslin) | 3.51 | UK, USA, Thailand, Italy, Malaysia |
| 2. | Charkha | 0.59 | USA & Japan |
| 3. | Ready Made Garments | 7.82 | Oman |
| | TOTAL | 11.92 | |
| 2012-13 | | | |
| 1. | Khadi (Silk & Muslin) | 26.10 | Poland, Japan, U.K, Germany, Australia, Malaysia, Tel Aviv, Belgium |

| Sl. No. | Products | Export (₹ in lakh) | Countries |
|----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| 2. | Charkha/puni | 0.73 | USA & Japan |
| 3. | Ready Made Garments | 32.50 | Malaysia, Singapore |
| TOTAL | | 59.33 | |
| 2013-14 | | | |
| 1. | Khadi (Woolen Silk & Muslin) | 2.61 | Italy, Australia, Poland |
| 2. | Textile based Handicraft | 3.56 | USA & Japan |
| 3. | Charkha/puni | 2.12 | USA & Japan |
| 4. | Ready Made Garments | 20.15 | Kuwait, Oman, Canada, UK, Muscat and other countries. |
| TOTAL | | 28.44 | |

(c) The Government, in order to boost export of khadi products, has given deemed 'Export Promotion Council' status to KVIC under which KVIC has already enlisted more than 900 exporters. There is a provision of providing incentive in the form of 5% FOB value of direct export of khadi products. Besides, KVIC has also been focusing on quality participation in International Exhibitions and Buyer-Seller Meets abroad to tap new/emerging markets for khadi products.

Budget for MSME Sector

2897.SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- the budget allocated to MSME for current year; and
- the target of skill development in different sectors and entrepreneurs' capacity and the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) The budget allocation (BE) to Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises for the current year is ₹ 3327 crore.

(b) The target for skill development for different sectors of Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises for the current year is given below: