

(b) if so, the status of all such programmes organized during the last five years; and

(c) the report of such programmes completed and the interim report of the ongoing programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total 97 number of Cluster Development Programme related to natural fibre (including Bamboo craft) under Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY) have been sanctioned to different agencies during last five year from 2011-12 to 2015-16.

(c) During last five years, 77148 artisans were mobilized and about 4572 SHGs have been formed. These artisans of SHGs have been benefited through different kind of interventions like technical training and design development programme. Out of 97 Cluster Development Programme were sanctioned, 45 such programmes have been completed during the last five year, and in rest of clusters different kind of need based intervention programmes are being sanctioned to Implementing Agencies based on the eligibility criteria and as per the terms-conditions and guidelines of the scheme.

Scheme and funds for the textile sector

†1501. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any detailed scheme for Handloom, Powerloom and Handicraft sectors in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of funds provided during each year in the last three years, State-wise.

(c) the details of progress made and success achieved in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) The Handloom, Handicrafts and Powerloom Sector pre-dominantly come under the unorganized/small scale sectors. In order to support, develop and modernize these sectors in the country, Government has launched several schemes for strengthening these sectors.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

In the Handloom Sector, National Handloom Development Programme is being implemented for development of the sector and welfare of handlooms weavers is being promoted through Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Scheme, Health Insurance Scheme, Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana and Yarn Supply Scheme etc. These schemes ensure regular supply of basic raw materials to the handloom sector and help utilize the employment potential of the sector.

Under the National Handicrafts Development programme (NHDP), raw material depots are setup to make easy availability of quality and graded raw material to artisans/entrepreneurs/units at a reasonable rates. Other schemes such as Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojna, Design and Technology Upgradation, Marketing and Support Services, Research and Development, Human Resource Development, Welfare Schemes and assistance for creation of Capital Infrastructure are implemented for overall development of Handicraft Sector and welfare of Handicrafts Artisans.

In order to overcome the problems faced by the powerloom weavers and for the development of decentralised Powerloom Sector, Government is implementing a number of schemes such as Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme for upgradation of technology & In-situ upgradation scheme for upgradation of plain powerlooms, Group workshed scheme for giving/assistance for constructing workshed for powerloom sector, Group Insurance Scheme, Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development (ISPSD) for extending assistance for marketing support in the form of Buyer Seller Meet, Yam Bank, setting up of facility for Common Facility Centre organizing Seminar/ Workshop regarding Government support for Schemes. A corpus fund for yam Bank is provided under the Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Sector Development, to provide interest free corpus to set up Yarn Banks.

(b) and (c) The above schemes are implemented on pan India basis and funds are allocated scheme- wise. The details of funds provided during each of the last three year and success achieved under major components of the above three schemes are given in the Statement.

Statement

Scheme-wise details of the funds provided during last three years alongwith the success achieved therein

(₹ in lakhs)

(a) Handloom Sector Schemes

Scheme	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	Total	Progress/Achievement
Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme.	2519.01	956.74	4752.70	8228.45	254 Block Level Clusters sanctioned covering 1,46,878 weavers
Health Insurance Scheme	49.21	25.87	1.94	77.02	34,98,904 Beneficiaries covered
Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana	16.63	16.39	16.67	49.69	17,57,879 Beneficiaries covered
Yarn Supply Scheme	96.86	127.81	321.96	546.63	4411.84 Kg. of yarn supply ensured

(b) Powerloom Sector Schemes

Scheme	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	Total	Progress/Achievement
Group Workshed Scheme	240.00	1640.00	2007.00	3887.00	79 Project Approved
Group Insurance Scheme	426.00	363.00	662.00	1451.00	3,8342 4Beneficiaries covered
In-situ upgradation of Plain Powerlooms	00.00	998.00	5918.50	6916.50	53,836 Powerlooms upgraded
MMS-TUFS	7322.00	12999.00	16599.00	36920	3,277 Beneficiaries covered
Buyer Seller Meets	122.00	161.00	226.00	509.00	54 Buyers Seller Meets organized
Exposure Visits	6.00	12.00	48.00	66.00	1882 Weavers covered
Seminar/Workshops	8.00	26.00	23.40	57.40	122 Seminar/ Workshops Organised.

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(c) Handicraft Sector Schemes

Scheme	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	Total	Progress/Achievement
Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikash Yojana	5206.80	1406.45	1883.04	8496.29	231 Cluster Covered
Design and Tech. Upgradation	443.80	480.01	1687.16	2610.97	1074 event organized and 1835 tool kit given
Marketing and Support Services	3761.39	3889.66	2638.85	10289.90	Participated in 1125 Domestic/ international event
Research and Development	830.36	281.16	602.24	1713.76	Total 300 Survey Studies/ Seminars/Workshop/Brand Promotion done.
Human Resource Development	1396.41	1288.53	1948.10	4633.04	1582 Programmes organized.
Welfare Schemes	2194.00	14.97	244.96	2453.04	218106 beneficiary in RGSSBY, 259633 beneficiaries in AABY, 4004 Credit guarantee and 3062 Artisan I. Card issued.
Infrastructure (Capital)	1004.51	2646.67	4416.75	8067.93	7 Projects at Moradabad, Lucknow, Bareilly, Jodhpur, Srinagar, Mammalapuram and Jammu and Kashmir covered and 6 office building renovated/ constructed.

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