

Steps to make Khadi Gramodyog Commission result-oriented

†2514. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to make Khadi Gramodyog Commission result-oriented and productive;
- (b) if so, the details thereof as on date; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of MSME, through Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), has taken various steps to increase organizational capacity to meet the various requirements towards implementation of the schemes to extend requisite benefits to the Khadi and Village Industries (KVI) Institutions and Units. The steps taken encompass administrative as well as operational aspects of KVIC. The salient among those are given below:—

- (1) In order to access or communicate digitally among the KVIC offices, a facility has been created in the official website of KVIC, which has replaced the postal communication by digital communication rendering the inter office communication instantaneous and retrievable through a digital platform.
- (2) To reduce the paper work and save time usually caused in movement of files, KVIC has started comprehensive plan to introduce e-office system. The training of officials have been completed and the piloting of the system has been initiated in Central Office, KVIC, Mumbai.
- (3) KVIC have also issued Request for Proposal (RfP) seeking bids for implementation of e-governance in KVIC. The bids received from the parties are under finalization. The implementation of e-governance system will make KVIC to attend all financial/ accounting/ budgeting/ administering the schemes of Government on a digital space.
- (4) To bring transparency and expedite disbursement of Margin Money subsidy under Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) scheme, KVIC has introduced online submission of application by the prospective beneficiaries and the payment of Margin Money subsidy is directly made into the beneficiary account through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

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- (5) For supporting implementation of Khadi programme, Government of India extends Market Development Assistance (MDA) to Khadi Institutions (KIs). Under the modified Market Promotion and Development Assistance (MPDA) scheme, financial assistance is provided to institutions @ 30% of Prime Cost of khadi and polyvastra, to be distributed amongst Artisans (40%), Producing Institutions (40%) and Selling Institutions (20%) through online transfer to KIs and 271796 artisans. KVIC has started disbursement of financial assistance to KIs as well as Artisans under DBT mode where the portion of MPDA is directly credited in their bank accounts.
- (6) KVIC also provides interest subvention for the bank finance for meeting capital requirement, under the Interest Subsidy Eligibility Certificate (ISEC) Scheme, availed by KIs. The subsidy under the scheme is also remitted directly to the cash credit account of KIs online.
- (7) Khadi certification has been made online and simple to enable new companies to start Khadi venture.
- (8) KVIC has started e-commerce platform and franchisee system for online marketing of Khadi products and extending the marketing network.
- (c) Does not arise.

Review and assessment of functioning of KVIC

2515. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some years back a thorough review and assessment of functioning of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) was undertaken by Government;
- (b) if so, when was it done and what were actions taken after such review and if not, whether Government would consider undertaking such review;
- (c) how many training institutions are being run by KVIC all over-India presently and how many of these institutions are making losses and to what extent; and
- (d) whether Government has thought of any measures to help these institutions become self supporting, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of MSME constituted an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. D.M. Sukthankar, former Chief