Craft Village

- 4148. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether Government has established any Craft Village in Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether financial assistance is provided for these Craft Villages; and
- (c) if not, whether Government has any such proposal to establish Craft Villages in different parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has sanctioned a Craft Village in Raghurajpur in the state of Odisha during 2014-15, to the tune of ₹ 10.00 crores, out of which ₹ 6.00 crores have been released as 1st and 2nd installment for interventions like: house-cum-workshed improvement, common facilities centres, new constructions, internal road in the village, renovation of the internal road, infrastructure, external development, signage, landscape and interiors etc.

(c) The Government has sanctioned a Craft Village at Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh) during the year 2016-17, to the tune of ₹ 9.55 crores, out of which ₹ 4.77 crores have been released for the current financial year 2016-17.

Utilization of funds by ATIRA for textile training programme

- †4149. MAHANT SHAMBHUPRASADJI TUNDIYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any data with regard to provision and utilization of funds for garments and other textile training programmes imparted by Ahmedabad Textile Industry's Research Association (ATIRA), during last five years, is available with the Government; and
- (b) the details of the training imparted by ATIRA to the students during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) Yes, Sir. However the internal audit of Ministry of Textiles has raised certain issues regarding mis-utilization of funds by ATIRA.

(b) As per MIS of ISDS, during 2010-11 to 2014-15(i.e. till foreclosure of pilot phase of ISDS), ATIRA had claimed to have trained 51,307 persons of which 34,736 persons were placed.

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