

(d) by when the remaining craftsmen will be trained in terracotta craft?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) There are 63,390 craftsmen in the State of Chhattisgarh.

(b) 80 craftsmen have been trained in terracotta craft during 2016-17.

(c) 120 craftsmen have been provided free tool kits during 2016-17.

(d) Training of craftsmen in various crafts including terracotta craft is taken up under the Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana. This is a continuous process.

#### **Coverage under insurance schemes**

4154. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of Textiles be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken necessary steps to bring all those engaged in Textile industries under insurance schemes meant for them;

(b) if so, the details of steps taken in this regard; and

(c) the number of people covered under the insurance schemes till 31st March, 2017?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government is implementing various Social Security/Welfare measures for the benefit of textile workers/weavers in the country. In the handloom sector, Government is taking steps to converge all Insurance Schemes including Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana (MGBBY) to Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) to cover all handloom weavers under the insurance coverage. In the current financial year, (upto February 2017) 400940 weavers have been covered under the insurance scheme.

In powerloom sector, Government is implementing Group Insurance Scheme (GIS) for the benefit of powerloom weavers since the year 2003. Under this scheme, 16,83,124 number of workers had been insured since its implementation and upto 28.02.2017.

In the silk sector, the Government of India has implemented the scheme—“Health Insurance Programme for Sericulture Farmers and Workers” under Catalytic Development Programme during 2012-13 and 2013-14 and covered 2.17 lakhs beneficiaries and their families under this programme.

The Government is also implementing insurance Scheme for Sheep Breeders under “Social Security Schemes” for welfare of wool growers/farmers in the country to provide insurance coverage in the case of natural death/accidental death, total/partial disability during the period of policy. Under this scheme, 79,157 number of sheep breeders were insured from 2012-2016.

### **Integrated textile park**

†4155. SHRI SANJAY SETH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has formulated any plan for the development of Integrated Textile Parks in various parts of the country for the purpose of increasing textile production in the country;

(b) the location-wise total number of Integrated Textile Parks expected to be developed in the country; and

(c) the State-wise number of people likely to get employment through these Parks and the estimated annual production of these Parks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI AJAY TAMTA): (a) The Scheme for Integrated Textile Park is a demand driven scheme where proposals to set up Textile Parks are initiated by group of entrepreneurs or Industry Associations. Role of the Government is limited to facilitate the projects with grant support up to 40% of the eligible project cost not exceeding to ₹ 40 crore for developing common infrastructure and common facility in the park.

(b) Presently 66 Integrated Textile Parks are sanctioned/operating across the country. Details of the Textiles parks with location wise detail are given in Statement-I (*See below*).

(c) Around 3.92 lakh people are likely to get employment from these Textile Parks. State wise details of expected employment generation from these Textile Parks are given in Statement-II (*See below*). Annual production of 30 functional parks is estimated as below:-

Product	Output from Parks
Yarn (tons/annum)	14,000
Woven Fabric (Mn. Sq. m/annum)	825
Knitted Fabric (Mn sq. mtr/annum)	155
Garment (Mn. Pcs/annum)	140

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.