

7. **Jute Integrated Development Scheme (JIDS):** JID Scheme aims at setting up local units and agencies at distant locations around the country through collaboration with bonafide bodies to carry out various activities. JID provide Basic, Advance and Design Development training programmes and rendering the backward and forward linkages to the existing and potential entrepreneurs at grass-root levels mainly on technology application and design /product development and disseminations.
8. **Samarth-"Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector (SCBTS)"** launched in 2017 for three years with an outlay of ₹ 1300 crore. The scheme will have National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) compliant training courses with funding forms as per the Common Norms notified by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE). 10 lakh people are expected to be skilled and certified in various segments of Textile Sector through the scheme, out of which 1 lakh will be in traditional sectors.
9. **Tripura Bamboo Workshop Bridging Japan and India by Bamboo:** A Workshop on Bridging Japan and India by Bamboo was organised by Cane and Bamboo Technology Centre (CBTC) Assam at Bamboo and Cane Development Institute, Agartala on 2nd August 2018. On that occasion Japan's Economic Minister and Forest Minister of State Govt., of Tripura and other official officers were present. During the famous workshop, Japanese Artisan and Shilp-guru of Tripura, traditional Northeast artisans exchanged their crafts ideas and developed craft items.

Budgetary allocation

2182. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that out of the annual budgetary allocations of ₹23 billion and claim sought for around ₹18 billion, Government has released a meagre amount of ₹3.5 billion;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the complicated structure of Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) has made it one of India's least preferred subsidy schemes; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) Under Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS), the original Budget Estimate (BE 2018-19) of ₹ 2300 crore was revised to ₹622.63 crore at Revised Estimate stage (RE 2018-19), of which an amount of ₹ 621.92 crore has been released against the claims under the scheme.

(c) and (d) Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS), launched in 2016 with a view to promote ease of doing business in the country and achieve the vision of generating employment and promoting exports by way of technology upgradation in textile sector was formulated after extensive discussions with the stakeholders. The scheme is implemented through a web based software called iTUFS. In order to further streamline the structure of processes and to make iTUFS an end-to-end solution for effective implementation of the scheme, after discussions with stakeholders, the guidelines of ATUFS have been revised on 02.08.2018. The scheme has received a good response from the industry. Since inception, iTUFS has so far registered 6999 online applications (issued with UIDs) from textile industry covering a project cost of ₹ 25,603.98 crore and seeking an overall subsidy of ₹ 1,912.25 crore under new cases of ATUFS.

Bhiwandi loom mills

2183. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of Bhiwandi loom mill owners' situation due to demonetisation and implementation of GST and if so, the details of mills functioning since 2014, year-wise;

(b) the measures taken to provide relief to 2.5 lakh loom workers who lost their jobs and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any budget has been allocated to provide aid for the industry's recovery and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of policies implemented to reduce the burden of demonetisation and GST and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) As per baseline survey conducted by Textile Commissioner's office during 2012-13, there are 1,11,702 Powerloom units installed with 6,08,865 Powerlooms in the Bhiwandi cluster, providing employment to 9,44,537 persons. However, detailed data-base of