

- (ii) Reclamation of Alkali Soil (RAS)
- (iii) National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRA)
- (iv) Watershed Development Projects for Shifting Cultivation Areas (WDPSCA) in North Eastern States.

3. Ministry of Environment & Forests

- (i) Integrated Afforestation and Eco Development Project (IAEP)
- (ii) Area Oriented Fuel wood and Fodder Projects (AOFFP)
- (iii) Grant-in-Aid Scheme for Afforestation and Tree Planting

4. Planning Commission

- (i) Western Ghat Development Programme (WGDP)

Revival of handloom Sector

1887. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up an integrated policy for revival of handloom sector in the country;

(b) if so, what are the main proposals approved by Government for revival of handloom sector;

(c) by when revival plans would be implemented; and

(d) to what extent it will help the handloom sector in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) to (d) Yes sir, Government of India is implementing various development and welfare schemes for the handloom sector. Recently, Government of India has launched a new scheme, namely, Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana, covering gamut of activities, such as, basic inputs, infrastructure, design inputs, publicity, marketing incentive and transport subsidy for revival and strengthening of handloom sector in an integrated manner. The scheme is in operation w.e.f 01.04.2000 and will continue till 31.03.2007.