## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TEXTILES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3479

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## REVIVAL OF TRADITIONAL SKILL OF WEAVING

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the efforts made by Government to revive the nearly lost traditional skill of weaving of textiles across the country; and
- (b) the details of the various health insurance and other welfare schemes being run by Government for the weavers. State-wise details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): Skill upgradation is a continuous process. Need-based skill upgradation programmes for handloom workers in technical areas viz. weaving, dyeing, designing, etc. are conducted under SAMARTH- Capacity Building in Textile Sector.

Health Insurance to eligible weavers is provided under the schemes of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India.

Government of India, Ministry of Textiles is implementing the following schemes for development of handlooms and welfare of weavers across the country:

- 1) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)
- 2) Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)
- 3) Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme (HWCWS)
- 4) Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)

Under the above schemes, financial assistance is provided to the eligible handloom agencies/weavers etc. for raw materials, purchase of looms and accessories, design innovation, product diversification, infrastructure development, skill upgradation, lighting units, marketing of handloom products in domestic as well as overseas markets and Mudra loan at concessional rates.

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