

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2057
ANSWERED ON- 05/08/2021

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES FOR ARTISANS IN THE COUNTRY

2057. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of artisans in the country, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Jharkhand;
- (b) the details of the welfare development programmes/schemes launched for the artisans;
- (c) whether there is any problem in the implementation of the development programmes/schemes for artisans;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the remedial measures being taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a): A total of 26.79 lakh artisans have been registered so far under Pahchan initiative. The state-wise details including Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Jharkhand of handicraft artisans is annexed at **Annexure-I**.

(b): The office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) implements various schemes for welfare development of artisans through “**National Handicraft Development Programme (NHDP)**” and **Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)** to emphasize integrated approach for development of handicraft in a holistic manner and provide sustainable livelihood opportunities to the artisans.

These two schemes have the following components:

- (i) Base Line Survey & Mobilization of Artisans under Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana
- (ii) Design & Technology Up gradation,
- (iii) Human Resource Development,
- (iv) Direct Benefit to Artisans,
- (v) Infrastructure and Technology Support,
- (vi) Research and Development,
- (vii) Marketing Support & Services.

(c) to (e): No Sir.

Annexure referred to reply of part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2057 to be answered on 05.08.2021

Sl. No	States	Artisan enrolled
1	A & N Island	2232
2	Andhra Pradesh	58816
3	Arunachal Pradesh	9401
4	Assam	79687
5	Bihar	131730
6	Chhattisgarh	12908
7	Delhi	15175
8	Goa	9651
9	Gujarat	123039
10	Haryana	32109
11	Himachal Pradesh	14590
12	J & K	97822
13	Jharkhand	99344
14	Karnataka	32951
15	Kerala	46906
16	Madhya Pradesh	82346
17	Maharashtra	51236
18	Manipur	69432
19	Meghalaya	3427
20	Mizoram	3841
21	Nagaland	8684
22	Odisha	176464
23	Pondicherry	14375
24	Punjab	30917
25	Rajasthan	118730
26	Sikkim	2717
27	Tamil Nadu	57018
28	Telangana	37944
29	Tripura	13748
30	Uttar Pradesh	935844
31	Uttarakhand	35390
32	West Bengal	270518
	Total	2678992
