

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-795
ANSWERED ON- 03/12/2021

SUPPLY OF QUALITY RAW MATERIALS FOR PROMOTION OF HANDLOOM

795. DR. AMAR PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether assured supply of quality raw material, namely silk, cotton yarn, dyes and chemicals at a reasonable price is important for promotion of handloom;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government for ensuring it;
- (c) whether Government would consider streamlining the arrangements of supply of raw material for the handloom sector through the Textile Commissioner with the support of Central Silk Board, if so, details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government is considering making quality dyes and chemicals along with training for helping the handloom weavers in the unorganised sector, if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a) to (d): Raw Material Supply Scheme is being implemented throughout the country to make available Yarn to Handloom weavers at reasonable price. Under the Scheme, freight charges are reimbursed for all types of yarn; and component of 15% price subsidy is there for cotton hank yarn, domestic silk, wool and linen yarn and blended yarn of natural fibres, with quantity caps. National Handloom Development Corporation, State Governments through Commissioner/Director of Handlooms & Textiles, Apex Societies and State Handloom Corporations under the direct control & supervision of the State Governments are implementing agencies. Dyes & Chemicals of desired quality are also made available by National Handloom Development Corporation to handloom weavers through a network of depots and warehouses.

Skill upgradation is a continuous process. Need based skill up-gradation programme for handloom workers in technical areas viz. weaving, dyeing, designing etc., are conducted under SAMARTH-Capacity Building in Textile Sector including Handlooms.
