

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 586**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022**

**Complaint against KVIC officials**

586. DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any complaint against Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) officials for subversion of KVIC rules and norms and embezzlement of funds from various Sarvodaya Sanghs located in Tamil Nadu during the period between 2014 and 2019;
- (b) details thereof and the action initiated against the officials of KVIC and Secretaries of the Sarvodaya Sanghs for misusing the funds allocated to Government schemes; and
- (c) whether Government has received any request from any aggrieved person to initiate action against the KVIC officials for misappropriation of funds allocated to the weavers, spinners and artisans during 2014-2019?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI NARAYAN RANE)

(a) to (c): No Sir. No complaint has been received against Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) officials for subversion of KVIC Rules and Norms.

However, KVIC has received a complaint dated 25.08.2021 in regional language against working of Sarvodaya Sangh in the State of Tamil Nadu addressed to multiple authorities. Due to internal disputes among the members of the managing committee of the Sarvodaya Sangh, the complaint has been raised by a rival group of employees including retired persons.

In accordance with the KVIC guidelines, the financial audit of the Sarvodaya Sanghs are being sought every year besides the inspections carried out by the KVIC officials, in which, there are no adverse observations regarding misutilization of funds by the Sarvodaya Sanghs and no involvement of the KVIC officials are reported.

However, based on the complaint dated 25.08.2021 addressed to multiple authorities, KVIC has ordered for conducting a 'Special Audit' on the Sarvodaya Sangh functioning at Avarampalayam, Koduvai and Salem in Tamil Nadu.

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