

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:459
ANSWERED ON:23.08.2001
DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES FOR JUTE SECTOR
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have sought the UNDP assistance for the development in the processing of Jute Products;
- (b) if so, the details of projects under implementation with this assistance and the amount of UNDP assistance allocated and released to each State during each of the last three years and 2001-2002;
- (c) whether the Government have introduced/propose to introduce some more effective schemes for the development of jute sector;
- (d) if so, the financial provision made in this regard during the said period, State-wise and scheme-wise; and
- (e) the details of achievements made by implementing these schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House

Statement referred in reply to Starred Question No. 459 for answer on 23.08.2001 regarding development schemes for jute sector

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Government has launched a programme titled 'Fibre and Handicraft Programme, Country Cooperation Framework - I' (CCF-I) in 1999 with financial assistance from UNDP, under which jute is one of the components. Under this Programme following projects are being implemented with NCJD as the nodal agency:

- (1) Commercialisation of R&D efforts in jute sector;
- (2) Quality assurance for jute products;
- (3) Machinery development for jute products;
- (4) Human resource development for jute mills;
- (5) Development of better jute seeds;
- (6) Marketing of jute products in international markets;
- (7) Sustainable programme for NGOs engaged in jute related activities.

The year-wise allocation and release of UNDP funds under the CCF-I Jute Programme is given below:

Year	UNDP assistance (Rs. In lakhs) Released
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1999-2000	124.00
2000-2001	130.00
2001-2002	32.00

State-wise allocation made with UNDP assistance under NGO scheme is at Annexure - I. The other CCF-I programme activities do not have a state based approach. As such no state-wise allocations have been made.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. Government has introduced/proposes to introduce a number of schemes as under for development of jute sector:

(i) A Jute Technology Mission (JTM) is proposed to be launched for an all round development of jute sector.

(ii) A Technological Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUF) for technological upgradation of textile and jute industry is in operation.

(iii) A Jute Entrepreneurs Assistance Scheme is under implementation by National Centre for Jute Diversification (NCJD) to provide interest free loans to the entrepreneurs to set up new ventures in jute.

(e) The cumulative scheme-wise achievements made under CCF-I Programme upto 30.7.2001 are given at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE - I

Report on NGOs supported under CCF-I as on 03.08.2001

Total number of NGOs supported under CCF-I	66
Total Grant sanctioned to NGOs	Rs. 91.12 lakhs
Total Grant disbursed to NGOs	Rs. 43.06 lakhs
Total number of beneficiaries involved	2440

S.No.	State	Benefi- ciaries No.	Sanctioned Amount in Rs. Amount in Rs.	Nos Disbursed
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1. West Bengal 375 13 18,46,000 13 8,90,000

2. Orissa 360 11 14,98,680 10 8,02,750

3. Assam 400 9 12,68,600 9 6,40,225

4. Andhra Pradesh 290 9 9,78,000 7 4,59,900

5. Maharashtra 95 4 5,26,000 4 2,45,000

6. Tamilnadu 105 4 5,17,500 3 1,85,500

7 Uttar Pradesh 175 3 5,36,000 3 1,97,450

8. Rajasthan 50 2 4,00,000 1 85,000

9. Gujarat 340 2 3,66,000 2 2,40,000

10. Kerala 60 2 3,00,000 2 1,55,000

11. Tripura 40 2 2,62,000 2 1,32,000

12. Madhya Pradesh 50 2 2,17,000 2 1,07,000

13. Bihar 60 1 1,65,000 1 61,000

14. Karnataka 20 1 1,31,000 1 75,000

15. Mizoram 20 1 1,00,000 1 30,000

Total: 2440 66 91,11,780 61 43,05,825

ANNEXURE -II

Achievements under the CCF-I Programme

Name of the project Achievements

1. Betterment of Farmers 600 kg of JRC -321 seeds multiplied in 120 acres of lands.
60 MT fibres cultivated by 150 farmers.
JRC-321 seeds ready for cultivation in 150 acres of land
in 2001 also.
2. HRD Workers` Training 9 training centres set up.
8 training modules in 2 languages developed.
Training manuals printed in 2 languages. 6300 workers &
29 Master trainer trained.
3. Assistance to NGOs 15 workshops organised
66 NGOs sanctioned (Rs. 91.12 lakhs).
Total beneficiaries covered 2440.
4. Commercialisation 2 workshops organised
8 units financed under JEA Scheme.
5. Quality Assurance 1145 samples tested, 3 testing instruments developed, Norms
for jute and blended yarn (short staple) formulated
6. Machinery Development Vendor selected for indigenous development of 3 machines.