

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:837  
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GIS FOR WORKERS OF KVIC  
BODAKUNTI VENKATESHWARLU; NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Life Insurance Corporation has taken a decision to introduce a Group Insurance Scheme (GIS) for workers engaged in Khadi and Village Industries Commission;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) the number of workers likely to be covered by the scheme in various activities managed by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission; and
- (d) when the said Group Insurance scheme is likely to be launched?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO V. ADSUL)

- (a) & (b) The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) have informed that they have considered a proposal from the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries and have agreed that the self-employed Khadi artisans could be covered under the Janashree Bima Yojana. Under this scheme, all eligible Khadi artisans aged between 18 and 59 years are proposed to be covered for a life insurance cover of Rs. 20,000 payable on natural death; Rs.50,000 payable on death/total permanent disability due to accident and Rs.25,000/0 payable on partial permanent disability due to accident. The total premium would be Rs.200/- per person.
- (c) Initially, in the first year it is proposed to cover about 3 lakh workers.
- (d) The launch of the scheme would be decided by the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries.