

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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HANDLOOM DEVELOPMENT CENTRE  
Chakraborty Shri Ajay

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

- (a) whether the Government is in process of setting up of handloom development centers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the total funds allocated for the State of West Bengal for the current financial year, centre-wise; and
- (d) the total number of persons likely to be benefitted from this scheme?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF TEXTILES ( SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a) & (b): The Scheme for Setting up of Handloom Development Centres and Quality Dyeing Units (HDC&QDU) was introduced in the year 1993 and discontinued with effect from 01.04.1998. The committed liabilities under the Scheme were entertained, however, upto 31.03.2002. There is, therefore, no proposal to set up any further Handloom Development Centres in the country.

(c) & (d): Does not arise.