

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3779
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2006
CREDIT CARD SCHEME
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the government has fixed any target for providing economic assistance to artisans and weavers under Self-Employment Credit Card Scheme; and

(b) If so, the number of artisans and weavers benefited under this scheme so far, state-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a): A target for issuance of 1,36,000 Artisans Credit Cards (ACCs) has been fixed to smoothen credit flow to handicraft artisans. As regards Swarojgar Credit Card (SCC), under which weavers are covered, no sector-wise target has been fixed by NABARD.

(b): State-wise, details of number of artisans covered under ACC in the handicraft sector is not maintained. However, 90,701 artisans have been covered so far. In respect of SCC, which covers a wide variety of small borrowers including handloom weavers, disaggregated data on different groups of borrowers is not maintained by NABARD. State-wise breakup of the number of small borrowers benefited under SCC scheme is enclosed at Annexure.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3779 for answer on 19.12.2006

States No of SCCs issued

Andaman & Nicobar	73
Andhra Pradesh	61439
Assam	2381
Bihar	23756
Chhatisgarh	13524
Goa	327
Gujarat	15522
Haryana	39357
Himachal Pradesh	5028
Jharkhand	6536
Karnataka	50480
Kerala	59504
Madhya Pradesh	14765
Maharashtra	8601
Mizoram	95
Nagaland	4
Orissa	30746
Punjab	14852
Rajasthan	19816
Tamil Nadu	20837
Tripura	23
Uttar Pradesh	79505
Uttaranchal	6092
West Bengal	21876
Grand Total	495139