

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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HEALTH INSURANCE FOR WEAVERS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is only one welfare scheme is being implemented i.e. Group Insurance Scheme for powerloom weavers;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to introduce Health Insurance Scheme for powerloom weavers like that of handloom weavers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of weavers availing insurance facilities since its inception, Statewise particularly for weavers from North-East region of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SMT. PANABAACA LAKSHMI)

- (a): Yes Madam.
- (b) & (c): At the moment Ministry of Textiles is not considering to introduce Health Insurance Scheme for Powerloom weavers like that of handloom weavers.
- (d): State-wise (including North Eastern Region) number of weavers enrolled in the Group Insurance Scheme since its inception in 2003 is annexed as Annexure.