

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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ARTISANS IN RURAL AREAS

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

(a) whether artisans in rural areas are not getting the benefits of the schemes run by the Government and only the artisans in urban areas are getting the said benefits due to widespread corruption;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the benefits meant for rural and poor artisans are being availed only by the artisans living in urban areas as the Handicrafts Board have issued identity cards only to the urban artisans; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and remedial measures taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Does not arise.