GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TEXTILES LOK SABHA

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POWERLOOM SECTOR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes being implemented for development of powerloom sector and the funds allocated/released and utilised thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and scheme-wise;
- (b) the number of centres working as mega group in powerloom sector on Public-Private Partnership basis in the country, State/UT-wise:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open powerloom development centres in the country, particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the details and locations thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The schemes being implemented for development of powerloom sector are :-

Group Workshed Scheme; Integrated Scheme for Powerloom Cluster Development; Group Insurance Scheme for welfare of powerloom weavers / workers; 20% Margin Money Subsidy (MMS). The powerloom units may also avail the benefits of 5% interest reimbursement and 15% Margin Money Subsidy under Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme. Comprehensive Powerloom Cluster Development Scheme is being implemented by the Government for development of mega clusters for the powerloom sector in an integrated and holistic manner on public/private partnership basis.

The fund allocated and released year-wise for the last three years and current year are as under:-

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(in Rs. Crore)
Year Group Workshed Integrated Scheme 20% Margin Money Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Subsidy-TUFS Scheme
Cluster Development
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2008-09 1.36 1.36 8.33 8.33 40.00 40.00 1.35 1.33
2009-10 2.76 2.76 8.27 8.27 53.00 46.00 2.60 2.22
2010-11 4.50 1.24 9.93 6.94 25.17 17.33 2.40 1.76
(upto 31.1.11)
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- (b): Presently, two Mega Cluster for Powerloom Sector are being implemented in Bhiwandi (Maharastra) and Erode (Tamil Nadu). Government has also given "in principle" approval of the Mega Cluster project for powerloom at Bhilwara (Rajasthan).
- (c) & (d): There is no proposal to open Powerloom Development Centres in the country. There are 44 Powerloom Service Centres (PSCs) all over the country providing services to powerloom sector, including five PSC in Uttar Pradesh, located at Kanpur, Tanda, Gorakhpur, Meerut and Mau.