

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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CENSUS FOR HANDLOOM AND POWERLOOM SECTORS  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any census/survey for the handloom and powerloom sector has been conducted recently;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof;
- (c) whether the census/survey report in this regard has since been submitted to the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the census/survey in this regard is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

- (a): As far as Handloom Sector is concerned, work relating to Census has been completed. No census, however, has been carried out for the Powerloom sector.
- (b): As per Handloom Census of India (2009-10), there are 43.31 lakh handloom weavers including allied workers in the country working on 23.77 lakh handlooms.
- (c): The report on Handloom Census of India (2009-10) has been released on 23.12.2010.
- (d): The salient findings of the Census are as follows:

S.N.	Description	As per 2009-10 Census
1.	Nos. of Handlooms	23.77 lakh
2.	Number of Weavers & allied workers	43.32 lakh
3.	Scheduled Caste	10.13%
4.	Scheduled Tribe	18.12%
5.	Other Backward Class	45.18%

6. Women weavers 77.90%

7. Man days worked per weaver per annum 234 days

8. Share of full time weavers to total weavers 64%

9. Share of the idle looms 4%

(e): Does not arise.