

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1516  
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BLANKET CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of blanket centres in the country, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the plan of action by the Government for development, protection and promotion of this handicraft as large number of population is engaged in weaving of blanket in these blanket centres?

**Answer**

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

(a): There are 7 major production centers of blankets in the country. These are located in Maharashtra-2, Punjab-2, Haryana-1, UP-1, MP-1.(b): The Government provides various incentives for exporters such as MDA scheme, Duty Drawback, DEPB, Market Linked Focus Product Scheme etc for export of wool & woollen products including blankets.