

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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SICK CLOSED HANDICRAFTS UNITS

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of sick/closed handicrafts/handloom units during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the financial assistance provided by the Government to revive the closed/sick industries and the number of units which have been benefited during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the State-wise fund allocated/spent under the Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) to the workers of Public Sector Undertakings/Private Sector during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government is contemplating to implement the textile job guarantee scheme for the assistance of rural families living below the poverty line; and
- (e) if so the details thereof and the action taken by the Government for implementation of the said policy particularly in the backward areas of the country including Maharashtra?

Answer

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

- (a): As per 3rd National Handloom Census (2009-10), out of 2,377,331 Handloom Units across the country, 230,899 are idle. Assam has 1,28,905 idle units and West Bengal has 39,761 idle units. State-wise data of sick/closed handloom units are not collected by Government annually.
- (b): Government does not provide financial assistance for revival of sick/closed industries. Government has set up the Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) for addressing issues of industry sickness.
- (c): The State-wise fund allocated/spent under Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme (TWRFS) to the workers of closed private Non-SSI textile mills during the last three years are Rs. 1381 lacs in Maharashtra, Rs. 842 lacs in Andhra Pradesh, Rs. 40 lacs in Gujarat, Rs. 548 lacs in Madhya Pradesh, Rs. 42 lacs in Tamil Nadu, Rs. 408 lacs in Punjab and Rs. 314 lacs in West Bengal.
- (d): No, Madam.
- (e): Does not arise.