

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
LOK SABHA**

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OUTLETS UNDER KVIC

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**Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of retail outlets of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) in the country including in Jharkhand, State-wise;
- (b) the details of retail outlets of KVIC opened during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether many retail outlets of KVIC are in a very poor condition;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve their condition?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

- (a): Presently, 26 retail outlets of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) are in operation. These outlets include ten (10) Departmental Sales Outlets (DSOs) also known as Khadi Gramodyog Bhawans and 16 branches operated under these DSOs. State-wise number of these Bhawans as well as the retail outlets (including the ones housed in the Bhawans themselves) is given in Annexure I. There is no KVIC owned and operated retail outlet in Jharkhand State.
- (b): KVIC has established a Khadi Plaza at Jodhpur(Rajasthan), and two retail outlets at Sonapat (Haryana) and Mandi (Himachal Pradesh) as branches of Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan, New Delhi,during the last three years.
- (c) to (e): Continuous efforts are made to improve the conditions of the sales outlets, inter alia also through budgetary assistance from the government.