

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

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FUNDING MSME CLUSTERS
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has granted funds for the development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises MSME clusters;
- (b) if so, the total funds granted during each of the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the total employment created and provided to the jobless and below poverty line persons in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) Micro and Small Enterprise Clusters are supported for their holistic development under Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme Scheme of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.
- (b) The details of total funds granted during each of the last three years, State-wise is enclosed at Annexure.
- (c) As per quick results of 4th All India Census of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (reference year 2006-07), this sector has provided employment (including for jobless and below poverty line persons) to 597.29 lakh persons.