

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

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EMPLOYMENT IN KHADI AND VILLAGE INDUSTRIES
Azad Shri Kirti (Jha)

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

- (a) the number of people employed in the Khadi and Village Industries Sector, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the total production of Khadi items during each of the last three years, State/UT and year-wise;
- (c) the total amount spent on development of such industries by the Government during the said period;
- (d) the details of the schemes for the development of Khadi Industries;
- (e) whether the Khadi items are sold in global market; and
- (f) if so, the manner in which assistance is provided by the Government in selling khadi items in global market?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

- (a): State/UT-wise estimated number of persons employed in khadi and village industries sector is given at Annex I.
- (b): State/UT-wise production of khadi in terms of their rupee value during the last three years is given at Annex II.
- (c): The quantum of funds released to Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) under various Plan schemes of the Ministry during the last three years is given below:

Year Total funds provided to
 KVIC under Plan schemes
 (in Rs.crore)

2010-11 1447.37

2011-12 1258.47

2012-13 1466.20

(d): KVIC implements a number of Schemes, inter alia, for the development of khadi industries. The Schemes for khadi include: (i) Market Development Assistance (MDA), (ii) Interest Subsidy Eligibility Certificate (ISEC) scheme, (iii) Workshop Scheme for Khadi Artisans, (iv) Product Development, Design Intervention and Packaging (PRODIP) scheme, (v) Scheme for Strengthening Infrastructure of Existing Weak Khadi Institutions and Assistance

for Marketing Infrastructure, (vi) Scheme for Enhancing Productivity and Competitiveness of Khadi Industry and Artisans, (vii) Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), and (viii) Khadi Reform and Development Programme (KRDP).

(e): Yes, Madam.

(f): The Government, in order to boost export of khadi products, has given deemed 'Export Promotion Council' status to KVIC under which KVIC has already enlisted more than 900 exporters. There is a provision of providing incentive in the form of 5% Free on Board (FOB) value of direct export of khadi products. Besides, KVIC has also been focusing on quality participation in International Exhibitions and Buyer-Seller Meets abroad to tap new/emerging markets for khadi products.