

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

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TRADING STAFF IN KHADI BHAWANS
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the present number of Trading Staff in Khadi Bhawans under the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to regularize the Trading Staff in Khadi Bhawans;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the KVIC has any plan to renovate and modernize the Khadi Bhawans in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken, State/UT-wise during the 11th and 12th Plan Periods?

Answer

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

- (a): State-wise number of trading staff including those belonging to regular establishment working in Khadi Bhawans of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is given at Annex I.
- (b): At present Government has not proposed regularization of Khadi Bhawan staff belonging to Trading Cadre.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d)&(e): Government in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises(MSME) through Khadi and Village Industries Commission(KVIC) has in 2008-09 introduced a scheme named 'Strengthening Infrastructure of Existing Weak Khadi Institutions and Assistance for Marketing Infrastructure' which inter alia, provides for renovation of khadi sales outlets. The maximum financial assistance upto ` 25.00 lakh per departmental sales outlets of KVIC in the form of Government grant is provided under this scheme.

Besides this, a comprehensive 'Khadi Reform and Development Programme' has also been introduced with assistance to the tune of US \$ 150 million from Asian Development Bank (ADB) in 300 selected khadi institutions over a period of three years from 2009-10 which, inter alia, provides for opening of new sales outlets in metropolitan cities and state capitals and renovation and modernization of sales outlets, besides setting up of a Marketing Organization under Public Private Partnership. State-wise number of sales outlets renovated during the 11th and 12th Plan period is given at Annex II.