

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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CLUSTERS FOR PROMOTION OF HANDLOOM INDUSTRY  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up mega textile clusters including handloom clusters in various parts of the country including Bihar and Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including locations, fund allocations, proposed activities and the time by which the new clusters are likely to be set up, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b): The Finance Minister in the Budget 2014-15 announced for setting up of Textile mega clusters at Bareilly, Lucknow, Surat, Kuttch, Bhagalpur, Mysore and one in Tamil Nadu with a budget outlay of Rs.200 crore. This includes two mega handloom clusters at Bhagalpur (Bihar) & Trichy (Tamil Nadu). State-wise textile mega clusters with their duration and activities are as follows:-

State Sector Name of the Cluster Duration Activities

Bihar	Handloom	Bhagalpur	5 years	Activities are need based and vary from
Tamil Nadu		Trichy	cluster to cluster, which may include technology up-gradation, design	
Gujarat	Handicrafts	Kuttch	4 years	development, product diversifications, setting up of Common Facility Centres, value addition,
Uttar Pradesh	Handicrafts	Bareilly, Lucknow		skill up-gradation, construction of workshed, market development etc.
Karna-taka	Silk	Mysore		