

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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USE OF LABOUR INTENSIVE PRODUCTION TECHNIQUE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether handloom is one such sector in the country including Uttar Pradesh which uses labour intensive production technique;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of people engaged in this industry across the country including Amroha, Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any incentive schemes for development and extension of this industry;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the financial assistance proposed to be provided to handloom industry in the country including Uttar Pradesh through these schemes annually?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Handloom is one such sector in the country including Uttar Pradesh which uses labour intensive production technique. This sector is second largest employment provider after the agriculture in the country. As per the third handloom census, 2009-10, total 4331876 handloom workers are engaged in this industry across the country. Out of which 257783 handloom workers are in Uttar Pradesh and 29622 handloom workers are in Moradabad district including Amroha.

(c) & (d): The following schemes and programmes are being implemented for the development of handlooms and welfare of weavers in the country:-

I) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) comprising following:-

a) Comprehensive Handloom Development Scheme (formulated by merging the components of Integrated Handloom Development Scheme, Marketing & Export Promotion Scheme and Diversified Handloom Development Scheme implemented during XI Plan)

b) Revival, Reform & Re-structuring Package

II) Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme

III) Yarn Supply Scheme.

IV) Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme.

(e): The State-wise budget is not allocated. However, total budget allocation to handloom industry for the year 2014-15 is Rs. 497.50 crore for implementation of these schemes in the country including Uttar Pradesh.