

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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COTTAGE INDUSTRY  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has provided or proposes to provide any grant for promoting cottage industries dealing in `Chikankari` and `Zardozi` work;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. In the year 2014-15, the Government has undertaken Mega Cluster Projects at Lucknow and Bareilly for promotion of Chikankari and Zari/ Zardozi Crafts at a Project cost of Rs.28.57 crores per cluster.

(c): This office is implementing following schemes for the promotion and development of Handicraft Sector/Artisans including Chikankari and Zardozi on all India basis:-

- # Ambedkar Hashshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY).
- # Marketing Support and Services Scheme.
- # Design & Technology Upgradation Scheme.
- # Human Resource Development Scheme.
- # Research & Development Scheme.
- # Handicrafts Artisans Comprehensive Welfare Scheme.
- # Infrastructure and Technology Development Scheme.