

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SKILLED MANPOWER IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of skilled manpower in the textiles industry in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise including Rajasthan;
- (b) the step taken/being taken by the Government to improve the pool of skilled manpower and also set up Institutes/ Training centres for the purpose;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated for skill development in knitting, weaving dyeing processing and stitching etc., during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the details and the outcome of the study conducted by the Government and other agencies regarding requirement of skilled manpower in the textile industry; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to include skill development in textile sectors such as handloom, stitching, knitting and handicraft under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which these sectors are likely to be covered under the MGNREGS?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Working Group on Textiles and Jute Industry for the 12th Five Year Plan has projected human resource requirement of 60 to 62 million in Textile and clothing sector by 2022. However, State wise data is not being maintained. To address the requirement of skilled manpower in Textiles industry, the Government has been implementing Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS), under which assistance to the extent of 75% of the cost of the project, within an overall ceiling of Rs. 10,000/- per trainee is being provided.

(c):Funds under ISDS is not allocated sector wise. Year wise budget allocation under ISDS during last three years and current financial year is as follows:-

Year	Budget allocation (in Rs. Cr.)
2012-13	90
2013-14	250
2014-15	181#
2015-16	201

as per Revised Estimate

(d): The Ministry has not conducted any specific study on skill gap in Textile Industry. However, the Report of the working Group on Textiles And Jute Industry for the 12th Five Year Plan have mentioned several studies conducted by National Skill Development Council (NSDC), Credit Rating Information Services of India Ltd (CRISIL) and Confederation of Indian Textile Industries (CITI) on manpower requirements in Textile industry. These studies have projected incremental requirement of trained manpower in the textile industry.

(e): Skill development in Textile Sectors such as handloom, stitching, knitting and handicraft are not covered under MGNREGA because of repetitive nature of these activities.