

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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Study on Textiles and Jute

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any study on textiles and jute for human resource requirement in the sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that some crafts are on the verge of dying in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government to protect and preserve the dying crafts in the country, item-wise; and
- (e) 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, As per the report of Working Group on Textile & Jute Industry, National Skill Development Council (NSDC) has projected overall Human resource requirement for the Textile and Clothing sector of about 60 to 62 million by 2022. With a view to address the skilled manpower needs of textile and related sectors, Ministry of Textile is implementing Integrated Skill Development Scheme (ISDS) in 12th FYP to train 15 lakh persons.

(c) to (e) : Yes, Madam, The list of 35 crafts identified as languishing is at Annexure – A. These crafts have languished due to various reasons as they are rendered unprofitable due to lack of design and marketing skills of the traditional artisans. In some cases artisans have deserted the craft and taken up other activity for livelihood resulting in languishing of the craft. The Government is implementing following seven generic schemes for the promotion and development of handicraft sector in the country including the languishing crafts:

- i. Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana.
- ii. Design & Technology Upgradation Scheme.
- iii. Marketing Support Services Scheme.
- iv. Research & Development Scheme.
- v. Human Resource Development Scheme.
- vi. Handicraft Artisans Comprehensive Welfare Scheme.
- vii. Infrastructure and Technology Development Scheme.