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Title: Need to clear the proposals of the Government of Andhra Pradesh for development of handloom sector in the State- Laid.

SHRI K. YERRANNAIDU (SRIKAKULAM) : The Andhra Pradesh State Government has requested for the continuance of the Market Development Assistance Programme and handloom development centres for weavers which are proposed to be withdrawn by Government of India affecting the interests of the handloom weavers seriously. The State Government has also requested for sanction of work sheds for weavers outside the Cooperative sector. A recommendation has been made to provide a separate quota for weavers under IAY to the extent of 2000 houses per year. A facility for manufacturing vegetables dyes through an entrepreneurial development programme by involving the National Handloom Development Corporation has also been requested to the Government of India.

I request the Government of India to look into the matter and grant early clearance to the aforesaid long awaited proposals to the Andhra Pradesh Government.