

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2081
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2018

HANDLOOM CLUSTERS

2081: SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the existing handloom clusters developed by the Government in various parts of the country along with the details and number of incentives/benefits extended to people employed therein;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish more handloom clusters across the country including Maharashtra and Telangana;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the names of the locations, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the funds allocated for the purpose and the number of persons enrolled and benefited by these clusters during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise including Maharashtra and Telangana; and
- (e) whether the Government has achieved the desired success in the clusters development programme and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

उत्तर

ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) During 2015-16 to 2017-18 (till December, 2017), Government of India, Ministry of Textiles has taken up 358 clusters in various Blocks across the country under National Handloom Development Programme(NHDP) and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme(CHCDS) for their integrated & holistic development. In the cluster, financial assistance is provided on need basis upto Rs. 2.00 crore per cluster for implementation of various interventions. Mainly, four incentives i.e. construction of workshed, purchase of loom/accessories, purchase of Lighting unit and skill up-gradation, benefitting individual weavers have been provided which varies from cluster to cluster.

(b) & (c): Yes, Madam. Cluster projects including their location are recommended by the State Government concerned.

(d): Block level cluster was introduced in 2015-16 and funds are met out from overall budget allocated under NHDP & CHCDS. State-wise & year-wise number of clusters sanctioned & weavers covered under NHDP & CHCDS are at Annexure – I.

(e): Duration of cluster development project is 03 year from the date of sanction. These projects are at different stages of implementation. Mid-term evaluation of 115 clusters conducted by an Independent Agency revealed positive outcome.

Statement showing State-wise and year-wise number of block level clusters (BLCs) sanctioned under National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS) during 2015-16 to 2017-18 (till December 2017)

S. No.	States	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (as on Dec. 2017)	
		No. of BLCs sanctioned	No. of Benf. Covered	No. of BLCs sanctioned	No. of Benf. Covered	No. of BLCs sanctioned	No. of Benf. Covered
1	Andhra Pradesh	34	28113	14	4259	3	665
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2	1103	4	2066	2	1154
3	Assam	8	7226	27	24668	21	19022
4	Bihar	1	358	10	4413	2	701
5	Chhattisgarh	6	2841	1	245	2	529
6	Gujarat	0	0	3	357		
7	Himachal Pradesh	3	842	2	709	1	200
8	Jammu & Kashmir	2	485	5	1022	1	205
9	Jharkhand	22	14403	8	9740		
10	Karnataka	0	0	1	626	1	386
11	Kerala	4	1442	0	0	1	450
12	Madhya Pradesh	5	2256	0	0	1	7347
13	Maharashtra	0	0	5	4100		
14	Manipur	4	8000	6	11195		
15	Meghalaya	3	1102	0	0		
16	Mizoram	7	3019	0	0		
17	Nagaland	5	10090	8	1140		
18	Orissa	15	5816	4	2136		
19	Rajasthan	0	0	1	503		
20	Sikkim	1	72	0	0		
21	Tamilnadu	32	50754	11	23375	4	1473
22	Telangana	2	1032	6	1570		
23	Tripura	3	2009	0	0		
24	Uttar Pradesh	4	2027	31	10238	4	952
25	Uttarakhand	1	233	0	0		
26	West Bengal	1	505	3	2110		
	Total	165	143728	150	104472	43	33084
