

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1246
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2019

WORKSHED SCHEME FOR KHADI ARTISANS

1246. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry provides financial assistance to artisans to construct workshed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of khadi and other artisans benefitted under the workshed scheme in Andhra Pradesh during each of the last four years and the current year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. Workshed Scheme for Khadi Artisans is being implemented by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) since 2008-09 for providing financial assistance to khadi artisans belonging to BPL Category for construction of worksheds. The objective of the scheme is to provide better workplace for spinners and weavers, providing more working space and storage for housing slivers, raw materials, implements, etc. and improving efficiency and productivity of the spinners through electricity connections for lighting.

Assistance for construction of worksheds is provided through the khadi institutions with which the khadi artisans are associated and the quantum of assistance is as under:

Component	Area per unit	Amount of Assistance
Construction of individual workshed	20 sq. mts. (approximately)	Rs.60,000/- or 75% of the actual cost of the workshed, whichever is less. For North Eastern Region (NER) Rs.60,000/- or 90% of the actual cost of workshed, whichever is less.
Construction of group workshed (min. 5 artisans and max. 15 artisans)	10 sq. mts. per artisan	Rs.40,000/- or 75% of the actual cost of the workshed per artisan, whichever is less. For NER Rs.40,000/- or 90% of the actual cost of workshed per artisan, whichever is less.

- Cost of land will not be the part of the project cost
- Financial assistance will be for the purpose of construction only
- Remaining 25% is to be borne by beneficiary and for group by institution.

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(c): Number of artisans covered under Workshed Scheme for Khadi Artisans in Andhra Pradesh during the last four years and the current year is as under:

Year	Number of Artisans
2014-15	40*
2015-16	30
2016-17	145
2017-18	113
2018-19 (upto 31.12.2018)	20
Total	348

*data after bifurcation of A.P. & Telangana
