

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TEXTILES  
LOK SABHA**

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DIRECTORATES OF POWERLOOM  
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the government propose to announce a scheme for the powerloom sector and also to set up special directorates in the states having powerloom clusters;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme; and
- (c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL))

(a ) to (c) Government of India is implementing following schemes in the Xth five year Plan for the decentralised powerloom sector:

(i) Modernisation and strengthening of Powerloom Service Centres (PSCs) : This scheme provides funds for equipping PSCs with modern looms, related weaving preparatory machinery and equipment; and increased staff, to improve the quality of services of PSCs.

(ii) Support to Computer Aided Design (CAD) Centres: Under this Scheme, CAD Centres have been established in Powerloom Clusters to provide value addition through design inputs into powerloom production.

(iii) Welfare of Workers: This scheme has following two components:

a) Group Insurance Scheme: It provides cover against the death, accident and disability.

b) Group Workshed Scheme: To create a better working environment and obtain higher productivity the scheme provides subsidy for setting up group worksheds..

2. Government of India has no proposal to set up any special directorates in the states having powerloom clusters