

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6936
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PROPOSAL TO RAISE DEXTERITY OF WEAVERS
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to invite UNDP or any other international agency to raise the dexterity of the weavers in the country particularly in Andhra Pradesh and Uttaranchal;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether weavers of Andhra Pradesh have not received any technical benefit or information from the Government;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefore; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) No Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) to (e) The Union Government is implementing the following schemes for the benefit of handloom weavers throughout the country including the weavers of Andhra Pradesh:
 1. Design Development & Training Programme.
 2. Marketing Promotion Programme.
 3. Mill Gate Price Scheme.
 4. Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana.
 5. Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme.
 6. Weavers Welfare Scheme.
 - 7 Handloom Export Scheme.
 8. Implementation of Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985.
 9. Scheme for Reimbursement of CENVAT on Hank Yarn.

Weavers` Service Centres also provide technical inputs and information to weavers. Two Weavers` Service Centres are located in Andhra Pradesh (Hyderabad and Vijaywada).

Powerloom Service Centres (PSCs) established to provide various services, such as skill up gradation and texting facilities to powerloom weavers have been upgraded wiht modern looms, other machinery and equipment to improve the quality of services and facilitation for modernization. Two Powerloom Service Centres are located in Andhra Pradesh (Hyderabad and Nagari).