

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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REVIEW OF HANDICRAFT SCHEMES

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has reviewed the ongoing handicraft schemes being implemented in various states particularly in Gujarat;
- (b) If so, the short coming came to the notice of the Government;
- (c) Whether any complaints against the role of Government officials has been received; and
- (d) If so, the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The schemes of this office are not state specific, but are Central Sector Schemes being implemented throughout the country including the State of Gujarat. No shortcomings have been noticed in the schemes with reference to the objective envisaged. However, a few suggestions have been received to improve the effectiveness and out reach of the schemes.

(c) & (d) No complaint concerning role of Government Officials resultant to review of handicrafts schemes has been received. However, complaints are received from time to time regarding irregularities by Government Officials, which are dealt as per rules.