

## Ministry of Textiles

### Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the Month of December, 2018

#### **1. Policy Decisions & Important Achievements:**

##### **i. Handloom Sector:**

- (a) Under MSME Support and Outreach Programme, various activities are being undertaken in coordination with concerned Weavers' Service Centres in 12 identified districts. Such as, since commencement of the programme from 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2018 upto 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018, enrolment has been done for Pehchan Cards of 16958 weavers, 6505 skill upgradation/ workshed/ looms/ lighting units, 10339 for Yarn Passbook, 4018 MUDRA loans and 6371 for Social Security (Insurance). Further, 93 registrations for Handloom Mark/India Handloom Brands have been done and 16460 labels of the same were issued. 2959 weavers have participated in marketing events and sales worth Rs. 98.92 lakh generated.
- (b) Six National Level and two State Level Handloom Expo / Marketing Events were held in December, 2018 at Delhi, Lucknow, Jammu, Kolkata, Chennai, Pune & Hyderabad which provided direct market interface between consumer and handloom weavers.

##### **ii. Silk Sector:**

- (a) Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles has inaugurated "Silk Composite Workshop and P. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Silk Productivity Award Program" held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 at Lucknow and honoured silk growers selected from different regions of the state. Central Silk Board (CSB) / Silk Mark Organization of India (SMOI), Varanasi participated in the event.
- (b) Silk Mark Organization of India (SMOI), New Delhi has sponsored and participated in the Trade Enclave / Workshop on "Khadi-Batik Weave Going Global" organized by "IAMKHADI" Foundation on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 in Indonesian Embassy, New Delhi to explore the possibilities of design collaboration between India and Indonesia and to develop innovative new design and structures to meet the demand of dynamic global markets.

**iii. Cotton:** All India arrivals of seed cotton (Kapas) during the month of December, 2018 were 71.23 lakh bales. Out of this, 1.60 lakh bales of seed cotton have been procured by Cotton Corporation of India under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operation.

**iv. Powerloom Sector:** Under the Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Workers, 2,444 powerloom workers were enrolled by various nodal agencies under the Scheme during December, 2018 with a total GOI share of premium of Rs.4,01,432.

**v. Technology Upgradation:** During the month of December, 2018, 144 UIDs have been issued with a project cost of Rs.412.33 crore and subsidy requirement of Rs. 36.37 crore under the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS).

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