

Ministry of Textiles

Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the Month of November, 2019

1. Policy Decisions:

- (i) The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs in its meeting held on 27th November, 2019 approved the proposal for mandatory packaging of foodgrains and sugar in jute material for the Jute Year 2019-20. The decision of the CCEA mandates that 100% of the food grains and 20% of the sugar shall be mandatorily packed in diversified jute bags.
- (ii) A meeting of the Empowered Committee (EC) chaired by Secretary (Textiles) under Samarth- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector was held on 6th November, 2019. EC has empanelled 48 agencies and allocated a training target of 69,174 persons to these agencies with regards to the RFP floated in July – August 2019 where proposals were invited for empanelment of Industry / Industry Associations / Chamber of Commerce of State / Central Government for entry level training programme.

2. Important Achievements:

i. Handlooms Sector:

- In order to promote handloom products amongst domestic customers and to enable handloom weavers to sell their products directly to the customers, 5 National Level Special Handloom Expos – Silk Fab were organized during the month of November, 2019 at Chandigarh, Jodhpur, Kolkata, Varanasi and Bhopal.
- In order to promote handlooms in overseas market, one World International Sourcing Expo was participated by Handloom Export Promotion Council from 12th – 14th November, 2019 at Melbourne, Australia which was participated by 20 number of Exhibitors where on the spot orders worth Rs. 0.24 crore were generate and enquires worth Rs. 3.42 crore made.

- 676 number of MUDRA loans worth loan amount of Rs. 3.47 crore were sanctioned as well as released too.

ii. Handicrafts Sector:

- 3 Special marketing events organized at Allahabad, Crafts Museum and Lucknow during the month benefitting 120 SC artisans.
- 7 craft Awareness programme held at Indore, Au (2), Devash, Khanduva, Almora and Kolhapur benefitting 700 artisans.
- 2 Exhibitions held at Ahmadabad and Indore benefitting 46 artisans during the month of November, 2019.

iii. Cotton: All India arrivals of seed cotton (kapas) during the month of November, 2019 were 29.68 lakh bales. . Out of which, 5.14 lakh bales of kapas have been procured by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operation.

iv. Export: Ministry of Textiles has done analysis of import trend of 39 Harmonized System (HS) lines whose import value to India was more than USD 25 million.

v. TUFS: During the month of November 2019, 150 UIDs have been issued with a project cost of Rs. 520.88 Crore and Subsidy requirement of Rs. 35.89 Crore under the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS).

vi. Powerloom Sector: Under the Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Workers, 1230 powerloom workers were enrolled by various nodal agencies under the Scheme during November, 2019 with a total GOI share of premium of Rs.1,99,260.