

Ministry of Textiles

Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the Month of April, 2021

1. Policy Decisions: NIL

2. Important Achievements:

i. Handlooms Sector:

(a) To support the handloom and handicraft sectors and to enable wider market for handloom weavers/artisans/producers, steps have been taken to on-board weavers/artisans on Government e-Market place (GeM) to enable them to sell their products directly to various Government Departments and organizations. So far 1,77,212 weavers/artisans/handloom entities have been registered on GeM portal.

(b) In order to promote Handlooms in the domestic market, due to COVID 19 pandemic, only one marketing event could be organized in New Delhi, which was started in March and ended in April 2021.

ii. Cotton: All India arrivals of seed cotton (kapas) during the month of April, 2021 were 12.59 lakh bales. Since, the prices of cotton in Market is ruling above MSP, Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has not procured kapas under MSP operations during April, 2021.

- iii. **TUFS:** During the month of April, 2021, 159 UIDs have been issued with a project cost of Rs. 715.62 Crore and Subsidy requirement of Rs. 58.50 Crore under the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS).