

SCHEMES FOR THE WELFARE OF WOMEN HANDLOOM WEAVERS

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Ministry of Textiles, Government of India is implementing central sector schemes such as (i) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) and (ii) Raw Material Supply Scheme (RMSS) to promote handlooms and for welfare of handloom weavers across the country including women weavers. Under these schemes, financial assistance is provided to eligible handloom agencies/weavers for raw materials, procurement of upgraded looms & accessories, solar lighting units, construction of workshed, SAMARTH training for skill development and capacity building, product & design development, technical and common infrastructure, marketing of handloom products in domestic/overseas markets for promotion of entrepreneurship, loans under weavers MUDRA Scheme, social security, need based financial support to awardee weavers, scholarship to handloom workers' children etc. There is no separate provision for women handloom weavers under these schemes. However, 100% subsidy is provided to women handloom weavers for construction of worksheds under NHDP. State-wise detail of women handloom weavers skilled under SAMARTH scheme during the last 3 years is given below.

The information was provided by THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES **SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA** in a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha today.

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State-wise detail of women handloom weavers skilled under SAMARTH scheme during the last 3 years:

S. No.	Name of the State	No. of women weavers skilled during FY 2022-23 to 2024-25
1	Andhra Pradesh	425
2	Arunachal Pradesh	328
3	Assam	1,327
4	Bihar	431
5	Chhattisgarh	353
6	Gujarat	379
7	Haryana	197
8	Himachal Pradesh	451
9	J&K	361
10	Jharkhand	567
11	Karnataka	474

12	Kerala	1,056	
13	Madhya Pradesh	393	
14	Maharashtra	1,027	
15	Manipur	579	
16	Meghalaya	133	
17	Mizoram	498	
18	Nagaland	396	
19	Odisha	727	
20	Punjab	98	
21	Rajasthan	331	
22	Tamil Nadu	1,027	
23	Telangana	697	
24	Tripura	475	
25	Uttar Pradesh	727	
26	Uttarakhand	269	
27	West Bengal	451	
	Total	14,177	

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