

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1608
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2026

WEAVERS SERVICE CENTRES IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1608. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) the details of Weavers' Service Centres (WSCs) functioning in the country, State-wise along with the number of handloom weavers served by each Centre State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposal for the establishment of a new Weavers' Service Centre at Tirupati or Venkatagiri in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the current status thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the need for an additional WSC in the State of Andhra Pradesh, considering that the State has over 1.77 lakh handloom weavers, several nationally recognised weaving clusters and GI-tagged products, but only one existing WSC and the criteria adopted by the Government for sanctioning new Weavers' Service Centers; and
- (d) whether any new centres are proposed for the State of Andhra Pradesh during the current Plan period?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री(श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): Presently, there are 29 Weavers' Service Centre (WSCs) functioning in the country and the state-wise list of all the WSCs along with the number of handloom weavers served by each Centre State-wise is annexed at Annexure-‘A’

(b) to (d): The establishment of a new, full-fledged WSC requires suitable land and basic infrastructure to be provided by the State Government. At present there is no such proposal.

Annexure-“A”

State wise and WSC wise data for Handloom workers as per the ‘4th’ All India Handloom census (2019-2020): -

S. No.	Name of WSC	Respective State	No. of Handloom Workers
1.	Kolkata	West Bengal	631447
		Sikkim	697
2.	Imphal	Manipur	224684
3.	Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh	177447
4.	Agartala	Tripura	137639
5.	Bhubaneswar	Odisha	117836

6.	Bangalore	Karnataka	54791
7.	Hyderabad	Telangana	47852
8.	Dimapur	Nagaland	43484
9.	Aizawl	Mizoram	27540
10.	Srinagar	J&K	23328
11.	Ranchi	Jharkhand	22497
12.	Kannur	Kerala	22084
13.	Raigarh	Chhattisgarh	21503
14.	Kullu	Himachal Pradesh	13688
15.	Bhagalpur	Bihar	12847
16.	Chamoli	Uttarakhand	12561
17.	Ahmedabad	Gujrat	10601
18.	Jaipur	Rajasthan	10090
19.	Delhi	Delhi	4285
20.	Guwahati	Assam	1283881
		Meghalaya	42774
		Arunachal Pradesh	94616
21.	Chennai	Tamil Nadu	84113
22.	Salem		112528
23.	Kanchipuram	Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry	48624
24.	Meerut	Uttar Pradesh	92123
25.	Varanasi		98834
26.	Panipat	Haryana	25542
		Punjab	969
27.	Indore	Madhya Pradesh	12989
28.	Nagpur	Maharashtra & Madhya Pradesh	5484
29.	Mumbai	Maharashtra & Goa	3134
Total			3522512
