

Ministry of Textiles

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

1. Policy Decisions & 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, one National Level Expo at Amritsar and two National Level - State Handloom Expo & Silk Fab were organized at Hyderabad & Pune in March, 2019.

ii. Handicrafts Sector:

Special Marketing Events organized for the benefit of SC women artisans on the occasion of International Women's Day from 7th to 13th March 2019 at eleven locations covering the different regions of the country benefitting a total of 550 women artisans.

iii. Cotton: All India arrivals of seed cotton (Kapas) during the month of March, 2019 were 31.04 lakh bales. Out of this, 33507 lakh bales of seed cotton have been procured by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operation.

iv. Powerloom Sector : Under the Group Insurance Scheme for Powerloom Workers, 1,260 powerloom workers were enrolled by various nodal agencies under the Scheme during March, 2019 with a total GOI share of premium of Rs.2,05,316.

v. Technology Upgradation: During the month of March 2019, 144 UIDs have been issued with a project cost of Rs.798.42 crore and subsidy requirement of Rs. 46.27 crore under the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS).

Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee (IMSC) under Amended Technology Upgradation Scheme (ATUFS) chaired by Hon'ble Minister of Textiles in its meeting held on 27.2.2019 has reviewed the progress and also considered various administrative issues pertaining to implementation of the scheme.
