

## National Handloom Development Programme

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The National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) is being implemented in the country. Main components of NHDP are Concessional Credit, Handloom Marketing Assistance, and Block Level Clusters. The benefits to the weavers vary from component to component. The weavers have been benefitted by waivers of overdue loans, availing loans at concessional rates, participation in exhibitions/fairs/craft *melas* for marketing handloom products, upgradation of looms and training to improve their earnings.

The above information was given by the Minister of State, Textiles, Shri Ajay Tamta today, in a written reply to a Rajya Sabha question.

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