

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3988  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2025

**SCHEME FOR TRADITIONAL WEAVERS**

3988. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

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

- (a) the steps taken to promote handloom and textile industries in Jalpaiguri district;
- (b) whether the Government has introduced any scheme for supporting traditional weavers in the region;  
and
- (c) whether there are any plans to establish a textile park or handloom cluster in North Bengal to boost local employment?

उत्तर  
ANSWER  
वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)  
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES  
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

**(a) & (b):** Ministry of Textiles is implementing various schemes/initiatives to promote textile industries including handloom sector throughout the country including Jalpaiguri. The major schemes/initiatives include PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks Scheme which seeks to create a modern, integrated, world class textile infrastructure; SAMARTH – Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector with the objective providing demand driven, placement oriented, skilling program; Silk Samagra-2 for comprehensive development of sericulture value chain; National Handloom Development Programme and Raw Material Supply Scheme for end-to-end support to traditional handloom weavers.

**(c):** Under Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP), two textile parks at Howrah viz. EIGMEF Apparel Park Ltd. and West Bengal Hosiery Textile Park have been sanctioned in West Bengal. Under National Handloom Development Programme, one Mega Handloom cluster at Murshidabad and 19 Small handloom clusters including 2 Small handloom clusters in North Bengal have been taken up in West Bengal.

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