

## Ministry of Textiles

### Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the Month of December, 2020

#### 1. Policy Decisions:

- a. Cabinet approved PLI Scheme to 10 key sectors for enhancing India's manufacturing capabilities and exports in pursuance of Aatmanirbhar Bharat on 11.11.2020. This includes Textile Products, viz. MMF segment and technical textiles with a financial outlay of Rs 10683 cr over a period of five years.
- b. Meeting of Expenditure Finance Committee on Focus Product Incentive Scheme (FPIS) for MMF apparel and Technical Textiles Sector was held on 10.12.2020 and draft cabinet note has since been submitted.
- c. Meeting of Expenditure Finance Committee on setting up of Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel Parks (MITRAs) was held on 10.12.2020 and draft cabinet note has since been submitted.
- d. A Project Approval Committee meeting under the chairmanship of Secretary (Textile) was held on 29.12.2020 to review the textile parks under Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) with Project Management Consultants (PMCs)/Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs). Extension upto June, 2021 was given to 11 ongoing Textile Parks under the SITP.

#### 2. Important Achievements:

##### i. Handlooms Sector:

- a. To support the handloom and handicraft sectors and to enable wider market for handloom weavers/artisans/producers, steps have been taken to on-board weavers/artisans on Government e-Market place (GeM) to enable them to sell their products directly to various Government Departments and organizations. As on 31-12-2020, 1,71,167 weavers/artisans/handloom entities have been registered on GeM portal.

- b. Design Resource Centres (DRCs) are being set up in Weavers Service Centres (WSCs) through National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) with the objective to build and create design-oriented excellence in the Handloom Sector and to facilitate weavers, exporters, manufacturers and designers for creating new designs. Seven such Design Resource Centres(DRCs) have been set up in Weavers' Service Centres (WSCs) at Delhi, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Varanasi, Guwahati, Bhubaneshwar and Mumbai and DRC at Kancheepuram are expected shortly.
- c. Ministry of Textiles has undertaken to develop Craft Villages in select Handloom and Handicraft pockets of the country on important tourist circuits for integrated sustainable development of Handlooms, crafts and tourism with the combined effort of both the State and the Central Governments. These Craft Villages are to be set up with the cooperation from the respective State Governments.
- d. Craft Handloom Village will be able to offer traditional hand-woven products to the consumers and tourists by inspiring knowledge about authentic weaving technique through "hands on" experience. Presently, construction work is going on for Crafts villages at Mohapara (Assam), Kullu (Himachal Pradesh), Srinagar (J&K), Kollam (Kerala) and Rampur, Bodhgaya (Bihar).
- e. In order to promote Handlooms in the overseas market, the following International Sourcing Expos were participated by Handloom Export Promotion Council in different countries on virtual mode during December 2020 :-

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of the Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>No.of Exhibitors</b>	<b>Spot orders (Rs. Crore)</b>	<b>Enquiries (Rs. Crore)</b>
1.	Virtual Buyer Seller Meet South America (Indian Handwoven and Hometextiles Sourcing )	15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> , December 2020	Virtual	20	Nil	2.76

ii. **Cotton:**

In the current cotton year 2020-21 (1<sup>st</sup> October 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021), all India arrivals of seed cotton (kapas) is around 165.58 lakh cotton bales, out of which CCI procured 75.85 lakh bales under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations. During the month of December, 2020 the all India arrival is around 89.90 lakh bale, out of which, 46.76 lakh bales have been procured by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) under MSP operations.

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