

Ministry of Textiles

Monthly Summary to the Cabinet for the Month of March, 2022

1. **Policy Decisions:** Nil

2. **Important Achievements:**

(i) Operational Guidelines for **Product Linked Incentive (PLI)** Scheme have been uploaded on the website of Ministry. Applications under PLI Scheme for Textiles are being received through web portal, which was initially opened from 01.01.2022 to 31.01.2022 and later extended upto 28.02.2022. A total Number of 67 applications have been received under PLI Scheme. The applications received in the web portal are examined by PMA appointed by this Ministry for PLI Scheme. The first Selection Committee meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Textiles) was held on 31.3.2022 to consider applications under PLI Scheme.

(ii) During the month of March 2022, 1380 UIDs have been issued with a project cost of Rs. 8832.71 Crore along with subsidy requirement of Rs. 593.58 Crore under the **Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS)**.

(iii) All India arrival of seed cottons was around 42.70 lakh bales. Cumulative arrival of cotton between October 2021 to March 2022 has been 264.66 lakh bales. This is approx. 18% less as compared to corresponding period of last year. However, arrival this year is 0.25% lower as compared to average arrival during the corresponding period of last 10 years. Since the prices of cotton in market is ruling above MSP, **Cotton Corporation of India (CCI)** has not procured cotton under MSP operations during March, 2022.

(iv) First instalments of Rs. 550 Lakhs and Rs. 60.75 Lakhs have been released towards sanctioned projects under Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS) in Odisha and Ladakh respectively.

(v) During the month of March, 2022 **NIFT** Campuses successfully organized 4 events as per the themes identified for Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

(vi) During the month of March 2022, Office of the Development Commissioner (Handlooms) has organized exclusive Handloom Expo "**Jharokha : Celebrating Crafts of India**" on the occasion of "Azadi ka Amrit mahotsav" through Weavers Service Centres at (i) urban Haat, Dimapur; (ii) Ahmedabad; (iii) Urban Haat, Ajmer; (iv) Coimbatore; and (v) Pune.

In March 2022, Under Weavers' Mudra Scheme, total 1547 MUDRA Loans were sanctioned.

(vii) Hon'ble Minister of Textiles chaired the following meetings:

- Broadening application areas of Geotextiles with user Ministries & Manufacturers was held on 24th March, 2022.
- International Conference on Technical Textiles organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) & M/o Textiles at Hotel Taj Man Singh, New Delhi on 12.3.2022.
- The meeting on formation of National Textile Development Board, New Delhi under Chairmanship of Minister of Textiles on 14.3.2022.

(viii) Hon'ble Minister of state for Textiles chaired the following meetings:

- International Conference on Technical Textiles was held on 12th March, 2022 with Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles as Guest of Honour.

IX. Secretary (Textiles) chaired the following meetings:

- Break out Session Theme 3-"MSMEs as the Growth Engine for Indian Economy" on 03.03.2022
- VC Meeting on Empowered Committee on SAMARTH – Scheme for capacity building in textiles sector on 07.03.2022.
- Inauguration of Santushti Showroom-National Handloom Development Corporation, Santushti Complex, New Delhi on 08.03.2022
- Inauguration of Handloom Expo 2022 – Central Cottage Industries Corporation, New Delhi on 09.3.2022.
- Special Address on Manmade Fibre Conclave 2022 through VC organized by CITI on 09.3.2022.
- Swachhta Programme of M/o Textiles at National Crafts Museum, New Delhi on 15.3.2022.
- Meeting with Chairman, TEXPROCIL along with delegation on 15.3.2022.
- Discussion on utilization of National Centre for Textiles Haat (Handloom Haat) on 16.3.2022.

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- Secretary (Textiles) attended the Demo of National Master Plan – PM Gati Shakti by DPIIT on 17.3.2022.
- Secretary (Textiles) attended - Review preparedness for programme Har Ghar Jhanda under Chairpersonship of Minister of Home Affairs at North Block, New Delhi on 17.3.2022.
- Sub Committee – Closure and Privatization of CPSEs on 21.3.2022.
- Inauguration of Exclusive Handloom Expo organized by NHDC at Constitution Club, New Delhi on 24.03.2022.
- Inauguration of 42nd India Carpet Expo, NSIC Ground, Okhla, New Delhi on 24.3.2022.
- Get-together on Sampark, Samanvay, Samvad – Vision @ 2024 organized by DPIIT on 26.3.2022.
- Inauguration of RBSM – India Fashion Tex – WWEPC at Hotel JW Marriot, Aerocity, New Delhi on 29.03.2022.
- Opening of 53rd IHGF – EPCH at Greater Noida on 30.03.2022.
- Principal Secretary to PM : Presentation by Secretary (Textiles) on Viswakarma Nirman Nidhi on 30.03.2022.
- Meeting with CEO, NITI Aayog – interactive Session on Implementation of PLI Schemes on 30.03.2022.

X. Following Programs and Events were organized by Office of Textile Commissioner (TxC) during the month of March, 2022 to celebrate “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav”:

- Office of Textiles Commissioner celebrated International Women’s Day with weeklong activities by celebrating themes “women from past to present” through talks from eminent women like Smt. Dipali Pant Joshi, Former Executive Director, RBI.
- Shahid Diwas was celebrated on 23.3.3022 to honour the sacrifices of Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar and Shivaram Rajguru, who lost their lives during India’s struggle for independence from British rule.
- Short films were shown to all the Officers/Official of Textiles Commissioner Office alongwith all the Regional Offices/Powerloom Services Centres through webex meeting/video conferencing..

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