

HANDLOOMS

Handloom Industry is one of the major industries in the Union Territory, next to agriculture. It is a source of livelihood for thousands of people.

Pondicherry State Weaver Cooperative Society [PONTEX], Pondicherry Cooperative Handloom Export Development Project [PONFAB], 14 primary Weaver Cooperative Societies and one Pondicherry Cooperative Textile Processing Society Ltd. are functioning at present. Two Cooperative Spinning Mills one at Puducherry and the other at Karaikal in the name of the Pondicherry Cooperative Spinning Mills (SPINCO) and the Jayaprakash Narayan Cooperative Spinning Mills (JPCOSPIN) are taking care in supplying the yarn to the Handloom Weavers through the 14 Primary Weaver Cooperatives including PONFAB, apart from sales in the outside market.

Handloom development Programmes aim at strengthening the structure of Weaver Cooperative Societies, improving the quality of Handloom fabrics, modernization of the handloom, up gradation of the weaving skills of the craftsmen and creation of more processing facilities. Financial assistance in the form of Grant-in-aid, Share Capital and Loans & Advances are extended to the Handloom Cooperatives and Spinning Mills for modernisation.

ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2009-10

- Share Capital, Grant-in-aid, loans and advances were released to 14 Weavers Primary Co-operative Societies and two Co-operative Spinning Mills at Puducherry and Karaikal.

LIKELY ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2010-11

- Share Capital, Grant-in-aid, loans and advances will be released to 14 Weavers Primary Co-operative Societies and two Co-operative Spinning Mills at Puducherry and Karaikal.
- It is proposed to assist Two Spinning Mills for repayment of loan availed from NCDC.

PROPOSED TARGETS FOR 2011-12:

- Share Capital, Grant-in-aid, loans and advances will be released to 14 Weavers Primary Co-operative Societies and two Co-operative Spinning Mills at Puducherry and Karaikal.

PATTERN OF ASSISTANCE

The Pattern of assistance in relation to assistance to societies covered under the Handloom Sector remains same as it is from 2008 -09 and the modification/addition in the pattern of assistance are as follows:-

A) HANDLOOM DEVELOPMENT SCHEME:

Production incentive to weavers:

An incentive of 25% on the production value Handloom Goods made during the previous year subject to a maximum of ₹ 7,500/- per individual member of Weavers Cooperative Societies will be paid as Government assistance. (Change in Pattern).

B) HANDLOOM WEAVERS WELFARE SCHEME:

Assistance for training of weavers and appraisers:

In order to bring more persons to the weaving profession, training will be given by the Pondicherry State Weavers Coop. Society for 2 months to the Weavers, Appraisers and other allied workers with the grant of financial assistance as detailed below:

No. of trainees per batch	:	20 persons
Stipend amount payable to each trainees @ ₹ 100/- per day not exceeding	:	₹ 3,000/- per month
Rent for the training period of two months	:	₹ 20,000/-
Cost of looms and accessories ₹ 8,000/- per loom for 20 looms payable at the starting of training programme as one time grant	:	₹ 1,60,000/-
Loom setting charges (as one time grant)	:	₹ 5,000/-
Cost of yarn and other preparative work for one training course	:	₹ 10,000
Emoluments to Master Trainer @ ₹ 150/- per day not exceeding	:	₹ 4,500
Documentation of samples, Administrative and Miscellaneous Expenditure	:	₹ 10,000/-

OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : HANDLOOMS

No. of Schemes : 3

Department : CO-OPERATIVE

(₹ in lakh)

Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12 Approved Outlay	:	13807.36
Annual Plan 2007-09 Actual Expenditure	:	2600.07
Annual Plan 2009-10 Actual Expenditure	:	1259.87
Annual Plan 2010-11 Approved Outlay	:	1200.00
Annual Plan 2010-11 Revised Outlay	:	1200.00
Annual Plan 2011-12 Proposed Outlay	:	1200.00

(₹ in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12	Annual Plan 2007-09	Annual Plan 2009-10	Annual Plan 2010-11		Annual Plan 2011-12
		Approved Outlay	Actual Expdr.	Actual Expdr.	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Proposed Outlay
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1.	Handloom Development Scheme	7500.00	1408.48	549.99	500.00	500.00	500.00
2.	Handloom Weavers Welfare Schemes	1007.36	235.89	99.88	100.00	100.00	100.00
3.	Investment Assistance to Co-op. Spinning Mills for Business Expansion, New Business activities and better performance	5300.00	955.70	610.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Total		13807.36	2600.07	1259.87	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00