

MINISTRY OF TEXTILES**DEMAND NO.76****Ministry of Textiles**

A. The Budget allocations, net of recoveries, are given below:

		<i>(In crores of Rupees)</i>								
Major Head	Budget 2000-2001			Revised 2000-2001			Budget 2001-2002			
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
Revenue	438.51	177.05	615.56	388.76	160.14	548.90	631.95	167.40	799.35	
Capital	18.49	577.25	595.74	19.54	658.68	678.22	18.05	492.90	510.95	
Total	457.00	754.30	1211.30	408.30	818.82	1227.12	650.00	660.30	1310.30	
1. Secretariat-Economic services	3451	1.00	5.06	6.06	1.00	4.82	5.82	1.00	6.00	7.00
Village and Small Industries										
Handloom Industries										
2. <i>Handloom Subsidy :</i>										
2.01 Special rebate on handloom cloth	3601	...	31.85	31.85	...	24.82	24.82	...	19.00	19.00
2.02 Subsidy on Janata Cloth	3601	...	2.00	2.00	...	1.80	1.80	...	1.00	1.00
2.03 Others	2851	...	1.20	1.20	...	1.08	1.08	...	1.00	1.00
<i>Total</i>		...	35.05	35.05	...	27.70	27.70	...	21.00	21.00
3. <i>Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Handlooms</i>										
3.01 Grants to Workshed cum Housing Scheme for Handloom Weavers	3601	10.00	...	10.00	10.00	...	10.00	9.00	...	9.00
3.02 Project Package Scheme for Handloom Weavers	3601	20.00	...	20.00	12.30	...	12.30	...	...	...
3.03 Assistance for Handloom Weavers Welfare Scheme	3601	6.00	...	6.00	6.00	...	6.00	5.00	...	5.00
3.04 Deen Dyal Hatkarrgha Protshahan Yojna	3601	40.00	...	40.00	20.00	...	20.00	66.00	...	66.00
3.05 Others	3601	0.70	...	0.70	1.10	...	1.10	1.00	...	1.00
	7601	11.00	...	11.00	11.00	...	11.00	3.00	...	3.00
<i>Total</i>		11.70	...	11.70	12.10	...	12.10	4.00	...	4.00
<i>Total</i>		87.70	...	87.70	60.40	...	60.40	84.00	...	84.00
4. <i>Other Handloom Schemes</i>										
4.01 Scheme for Intensive Development Project and Export Promotion	2851	4.50	...	4.50	4.95	...	4.95	6.25	...	6.25
4.02 Assistance for setting up of Marketing Complex and Yarn Procurement	2851	4.00	...	4.00	4.40	...	4.40	7.00	...	7.00
4.03 Weaver Service Centre	2851	1.50	12.44	13.94	2.05	12.25	14.30	2.10	14.00	16.10
4.04 Scheme for Handloom Export Development	2851	4.00	...	4.00	4.00	...	4.00	5.00	...	5.00
4.05 Others	2851	6.30	4.30	10.60	5.20	4.20	9.40	6.10	5.00	11.10
	3602	...	1.50	1.50	...	1.50	1.50	...	0.50	0.50
	4851	4.00	...	4.00	4.00	...	4.00	5.55	...	5.55
<i>Total</i>		10.30	5.80	16.10	9.20	5.70	14.90	11.65	5.50	17.15
Total - Handloom Industries		112.00	53.29	165.29	85.00	45.65	130.65	116.00	40.50	156.50
Handicraft Industries										
5. <i>Other Handicrafts Schemes</i>										
5.01 Training and Extension	2851	26.00	2.85	28.85	26.00	2.83	28.83	25.42	3.00	28.42
5.02 Design and Technical Development	2851	4.25	2.38	6.63	4.20	2.33	6.53	4.39	2.50	6.89
5.03 Assistance to State Corporations/Apex-Co-operative Societies for new Sales Outlets	2851	5.25	...	5.25	5.75	...	5.75	...	...	...
5.04 Others	2851	12.29	8.05	20.34	17.84	7.87	25.71	30.19	9.20	39.39
	4851	0.21	...	0.21	0.21	...	0.21	4.00	...	4.00
<i>Total</i>		48.00	13.28	61.28	54.00	13.03	67.03	64.00	14.70	78.70
Wool Industries										
6. Wool Development Board	2851	6.00	...	6.00	6.00	...	6.00	5.00	...	5.00
Sericulture										
7. Central Silk Board	2851	60.00	17.00	77.00	60.00	15.30	75.30	70.20	19.00	89.20
<i>Total</i>		60.00	17.00	77.00	60.00	15.30	75.30	70.20	19.00	89.20
8. Other Sericulture Schemes	2851	1.00	1.50	2.50	1.00	1.35	2.35	1.05	1.50	2.55
Total - Sericulture		61.00	18.50	79.50	61.00	16.65	77.65	71.25	20.50	91.75

		(In crores of Rupees)									
Major Head		Budget 2000-2001			Revised 2000-2001			Budget 2001-2002			
		Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
Powerloom Industries											
9.	Other Powerloom Schemes	2851	8.50	0.95	9.45	6.80	0.94	7.74	5.74	1.10	6.84
		3601	1.50	...	1.50	0.50	...	0.50	0.26	...	0.26
	<i>Total</i>		<i>10.00</i>	<i>0.95</i>	<i>10.95</i>	<i>7.30</i>	<i>0.94</i>	<i>8.24</i>	<i>6.00</i>	<i>1.10</i>	<i>7.10</i>
Total-Village and Small Industries			237.00	86.02	323.02	213.30	76.27	289.57	262.25	76.80	339.05
Consumer Industries											
10.	Payment against Cess/Collections:										
	10.01 Textiles	2852	...	15.00	15.00	...	14.50	14.50	...	17.00	17.00
	10.02 Jute	2852	...	26.60	26.60	...	22.10	22.10	...	20.00	20.00
	<i>Total</i>		<i>...</i>	<i>41.60</i>	<i>41.60</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>36.60</i>	<i>36.60</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>37.00</i>	<i>37.00</i>
11.	Textile Commissioner	2852	...	9.00	9.00	...	8.86	8.86	...	10.00	10.00
12.	<i>Other programmes for development of Textile</i>										
	12.01 Grants to Institute of Fashion Technology	2852	23.37	3.50	26.87	23.37	3.50	26.87	21.00	5.00	26.00
	12.02 Research and Development	2852	10.00	...	10.00	6.00	...	6.00	12.00	...	12.00
	12.03 Textile Labour Rehabilitation Scheme	2852	...	18.00	18.00	...	18.00	18.00	...	18.83	18.83
	12.04 Grants for Studies	3453	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00
	12.05 Textile Modernisation and technical Upgradation	2852	50.00	...	50.00	60.00	...	60.00	200.00	...	200.00
	12.06 Cotton Technology Mission	2852	15.00	...	15.00	25.00	...	25.00	25.00	...	25.00
	12.07 Scheme for Apperal Export Textile Parks	3601	...	...	...	...	...	...	10.00	...	10.00
	12.08 Upgrading infrastructure facilities of Textile Growth Centers	3601	...	...	...	...	...	...	15.00	...	15.00
	12.08 Others	2852	4.50	5.00	9.50	4.50	4.52	9.02	4.90	5.00	9.90
	<i>Total</i>		<i>103.87</i>	<i>26.50</i>	<i>130.37</i>	<i>119.87</i>	<i>26.02</i>	<i>145.89</i>	<i>288.90</i>	<i>28.83</i>	<i>317.73</i>
13.	Jute Commissioner	2852	...	1.80	1.80	...	1.77	1.77	...	1.70	1.70
14.	<i>Other programmes for development of jute, etc.</i>										
	14.01 Grants to National Centre for Jute Diversification	2852	4.00	...	4.00	3.00	...	3.00	3.08	...	3.08
	14.02 Jute Special Development Fund	2852	50.00	...	50.00	10.00	...	10.00	5.00	...	5.00
	14.03 Others	2852	2.50	7.07	9.57	2.50	5.80	8.30	2.05	7.07	9.12
	<i>Total</i>		<i>56.50</i>	<i>7.07</i>	<i>63.57</i>	<i>15.50</i>	<i>5.80</i>	<i>21.30</i>	<i>10.13</i>	<i>7.07</i>	<i>17.20</i>
15.	Jute Development Fund - Transfer										
	To	2852	10.00	...	10.00	5.00	...	5.00	5.00	...	5.00
	From	2852	-10.00	...	-10.00	-5.00	...	-5.00	-5.00	...	-5.00
	<i>Net</i>		<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>
16.	<i>Grants to PSEs for implementation of VRS</i>										
	16.01 National Textiles Corporation Ltd	2852	...	...	...	...	...	...	20.00	...	20.00
	16.02 The British India Corporation Ltd	2852	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.00	...	2.00
	16.03 The Jute Corporation of India Ltd	2852	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.00	...	2.00
	16.04 National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd	2852	...	...	...	...	...	...	6.00	...	6.00
	<i>Total</i>		<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>30.00</i>	<i>...</i>	<i>30.00</i>
Total-Consumer Industries			160.37	85.97	246.34	135.37	79.05	214.42	329.03	84.60	413.63
Civil Supplies											
17.	<i>Non-Plan loans to Public Enterprises</i>										
	17.01 North Eastern Handloom & Handicrafts Development Corporation	6851	...	0.30	0.30	...	1.50	1.50	...	0.75	0.75
	17.02 National Textile Corporation	6860	...	346.00	346.00	...	494.00	494.00	...	280.00	280.00
	17.03 British India Corporation	6860	...	12.80	12.80	...	21.20	21.20	...	12.80	12.80
	17.04 National Jute Manufactures Corporation	6860	...	64.00	64.00	...	96.00	96.00	...	64.00	64.00
	17.05 Elgin Mills	6860	...	...	...	...	7.40	7.40	...	...	...
	17.06 Cawnpur Textile Mills	6860	...	...	...	...	3.23	3.23	...	...	...
	17.07 Bird Jute and Export Limited	6860	...	0.35	0.35	...	0.35	0.35	...	0.35	0.35

(In crores of Rupees)										
Major Head	Budget , 2000-2001			Revised, 2000-2001			Budget, 2001-2002			
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
17.08 Jute Corporation of India Limited	6860	...	53.80	53.80	...	35.00	35.00	...	35.00	35.00
17.09 Lump Sum provision for settling terminal benefits	6860	...	100.00	100.00	...	...	...	...	100.00	100.00
<i>Total</i>	...	...	577.25	577.25	...	658.68	658.68	...	492.90	492.90
18. Investments in Public Enterprises	4851	2.00	...	2.00	2.00	...	2.00	4.50	...	4.50
	4860	0.03	...	0.03	0.03	...	0.03	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	...	2.03	...	2.03	2.03	...	2.03	4.50	...	4.50
19. UNDP Assistance under CCF - I										
18.01 Handicraft Industries	2851	3.07	...	3.07	3.07	...	3.07	3.50	...	3.50
18.02 Wool Industries	2851	2.43	...	2.43	2.43	...	2.43	3.00	...	3.00
18.03 Sericultural Industries	2851	4.20	...	4.20	4.20	...	4.20	2.80	...	2.80
18.04 Jute Industries	2852	1.90	...	1.90	1.90	...	1.90	1.92	...	1.92
<i>Total</i>	...	11.60	...	11.60	11.60	...	11.60	11.22	...	11.22
20. Lump sum provision for the benefit of North Eastern Region & Sikkim Handloom	3601	21.00	...	21.00	21.00	...	21.00	...	...	...
	7601	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00
	2552	...	...	...	...	...	...	19.00	...	19.00
	4552	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	...	22.00	...	22.00	22.00	...	22.00	20.00	...	20.00
Handicraft	2851	10.75	...	10.75	9.70	...	9.70	...	...	...
	4851	0.25	...	0.25	1.30	...	1.30	...	...	...
	2552	...	...	...	...	...	...	8.00	...	8.00
	4552	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	...	11.00	...	11.00	11.00	...	11.00	8.00	...	8.00
Sericulture	2851	12.00	...	12.00	12.00	...	12.00	...	...	...
	2552	...	...	...	...	...	...	14.00	...	14.00
	4552	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	...	12.00	...	12.00	12.00	...	12.00	14.00	...	14.00
Total		45.00	...	45.00	45.00	...	45.00	42.00	...	42.00
Grand Total		457.00	754.30	1211.30	408.30	818.82	1227.12	650.00	660.30	1310.30
B. Investment in Public Enterprises	Head of Dev	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total
18.01 National Textiles Corporation	12860	0.01	...	0.01	0.01	...	0.01	...	...	...
18.02 British India Corporation	12860	0.01	...	0.01	0.01	...	0.01	...	...	...
18.03 National Jute Manufactures Corporation	12860	0.01	...	0.01	0.01	...	0.01	...	...	...
18.04 National Cooperative Development Corporation	12851	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18.05 National Institute of Fashion Technology	12860	...	15.00	15.00	...	15.00	15.00	...	15.00	15.00
18.06 National Handloom Development Corporation	12860	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00
18.07 State Handicrafts Corporation/Societies	12860	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.50	...	1.50
18.08 Cotton Corporation of India	12860	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18.09 Handicraft & Handloom Export Corp.	12860	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.00	...	2.00
Total		2.03	15.00	17.03	2.03	15.00	17.03	4.50	15.00	19.50
C. Plan Outlay:-										
1. Village and Small Industries	12851	294.60	...	294.60	270.90	...	270.90	277.97	...	277.97
2. Consumer Industries	12860	160.40	15.00	175.40	135.40	15.00	150.40	329.03	15.00	344.03
3. Secretariate-Economic Services	13451	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00
4. North Eastern Areas	22552	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	42.00	...	42.00
Total		457.00	15.00	472.00	408.30	15.00	423.30	650.00	15.00	665.00

1. **Secretariat** : Provides for secretariat expenditure of the Ministry.

VILLAGE AND SMALL INDUSTRIES:

Handloom Industries :

2. Handloom subsidy :

2.01. **Special rebate on handloom cloth** : A Market Development Assistance Scheme has been formulated and is being implemented from 1.4.89 as an alternative to Special rebate

scheme. Under this scheme, assistance is provided to handloom sector linked with performance of the organisation. The assistance is on the basis of 8% of the average turnover of the handloom fabrics, made-ups and garments for the past 3 years or on the basis of average rebate and assistance received/receivable by the organisation and shared equally by the State and Central Government.

2.02. **Subsidy on Janata Cloth** : The Janata Cloth Scheme which was started in 1976 stands discontinued from 1.4.98. The

provision has been made to meet some left over claims which are likely to be settled shortly.

2.03. **Others** : Includes provision for payment to North Eastern Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation/National Handloom Development Corporation/Rehabilitation Industries Corporation towards rebate on Handloom Cloth; Special rebate/MDA; rebate on handloom cloth to the National Federation of Industrial Cooperatives.

3. **Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Handlooms** : The provision covers grants to handloom weavers for purchase/modernisation/renovation of looms. The other schemes are as under:-

- (i) Grants for Workshed cum-Housing schemes for handloom weavers;
- (ii) Grants for setting up Enforcement Machinery;
- (iii) Project Package Schemes for handloom weavers;
- (iv) Grants for setting up of Institute of Handloom Technology;
- (v) Scheme for setting up of Handloom Development Centres;
- (vi) Thrift Fund Scheme, Group Insurance Scheme, Health Package Scheme for destitute weavers, Project Package Scheme etc.
- (vii) Deen Dyal Hatkargha Protshahan Yojna - It has been proposed to introduce a Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme titled Deen Dayal Hatkargha Protsahan Yojana (DDHPY) from April 1, 2000.

4. **Other Handloom Schemes** : The provision covers administrative expenditure of the Office of Development Commissioner, Handloom, Research and Development, assistance for setting up of Marketing Complex and yarn procurement, administration of Weavers Service Centre and Institute of Handloom Technology, Craft Museum activities, rebate on handloom cloth, welfare package schemes for weavers, scheme for quality production and marketing of Handloom products of isolated and hill areas, scheme for Handloom Exports, and grant of margin money to destitute weavers, Grants-in-aid to Union Territory Governments and for construction of Weavers Service Centre and Indian Institute of Handloom Technology and also Scheme for Intensive Development Project and Export Production.

Handicraft Industries

5. **Other Handicrafts Schemes** : This provision covers administrative expenditure of office of the Development Commissioner for Handicrafts; Training and Extension; Design and Technical Development of various major crafts like carpet, art, metal wares etc.; Marketing and Service Extension; Exhibitions and Publicity, Economic Crafts, Research Surveys and Marketing Studies; setting up of Craft Development, Common Facility Centres/Raw Material Depots; Assistance to Central/State Corporations/Apex cooperative Societies for new sales outlets and renovation of existing ones; Export Promotion Regulation; Welfare and other Schemes; assistance to NEHHDC; investment in Central State Handicrafts Corporations/Handicrafts Apex Co-operative Societies, Institute of Carpet Technology and Handicrafts Bhavan, etc..

6. **Wool Development Board**: The provision under this scheme is proposed for administering various programmes and projects of the Board through the State Government Organizations/Non-Government Organizations for the overall development of wool and woollen products in the country. The major programmes and projects of the Board include: (i)

Integrated Sheep & Wool Development Project (ii) Integrated Angora Rabbit Development Project (iii) Machine Shearing-Cum-Training Project (iv) Wool Scouring Plant (v) Wool Testing Centre (vi) Industrial Service Centre (vii) Weaving & Designing Training Centre (viii) Market Intelligence Network (ix) Area Based Project for Development of Wool & Woollens (x) UNDP CCF-I Angora Rabbit Development project (xi) Woollen Expo. (xii) Human Resources Development (xiii) Promotional Activities.

7. **Central Silk Board** : The provision includes administrative expenditure of Central Silk Board which was constituted by an Act of Parliament (LXI) of 1948. The functions assigned to the Board as per Section 8 of the Act are comprehensive and cover all aspects of the Industry for ensuring co-ordinated development of sericulture and Silk Industry under its control. Among other things, the Board is responsible for undertaking/assisting and encouraging scientific, technical and economic research, provide training to Departmental personnel at higher levels and undertake testing, grading, rational marketing of sericulture products, collection of statistical data, advising Central Government on all matters of policies concerning development of Silk Industry including Import and Export of Raw Silk Goods etc. The provision also includes development of an agro-based Cottage Industry i.e. Sericulture. There are 276 units functioning under Central Silk Board and it provides employment to 4590 persons.

8. **Other Sericulture Schemes** : The provision includes grants to Silk and Art Silk Mills Research Association.

Powerloom Industries

9. **Other Powerloom Schemes** : The provision is for grants to Textiles Research Associations, Labour Welfare and infrastructure facility and modernisation for powerloom concentrated areas.

CONSUMER INDUSTRIES

10. **Payments against Cess Collections on Textiles/Jute** : Provides for payment to Textiles Committee from out of the cess collected by the Committee for enabling it to undertake preshipment inspection textiles and textile machinery meant for export; and payment to Development Council for Jute Manufactures against collection of cess on Jute.

11. **Textile Commissioner** : Textile Commissioner looks after the development of textile industry including all aspects of textile industry targets, production, licensing new/additional capacity, allocation of cotton to various mills, supply and distribution of textiles, raw materials, import of machinery, export of textiles monitoring price etc.

12. **Other programmes for development of textiles and National Institute for Fashion Technology** : Provides mainly for grants to various Textile Research Associations, Research and Development activities Textile Labour Rehabilitation Scheme and Textile Modernisation, Technical upgradation and Human Resource Development.

12.05 **Textiles Modernisation & Technical Upgradation** : Government of India has implemented the TUFs w.e.f. 1.4.1999 for modernisation of textile and jute industry, for a period of five years. The scheme provides for reimbursement of 5% interest on the loan availed of by the investor from the concerned nodal agency (IDBI, SIDBI and IFCI) and co-opted agencies. Government provides funds towards 5% interest reimbursement to the nodal agencies.

Considering the trend of sanction and disbursement of loan under TUFs, a provision of Rs.200 crore towards reimbursement of 5% interest for the year 2001-02 has been made.

12.06 Cotton Technology Mission : This is a mission on Cotton Development with an objective of Research, dissemination of technology to farmers, improvement in marketing infrastructure, modernisation of ginning and pressing factories. The Mission comprises four Mini Missions. Mini Mission I & II are being implemented by Ministry of Agriculture and Mini Missions III & IV are being implemented by the Ministry of Textiles. As on 31st January, 2001, under MM-III & IV, 134 project proposals have been sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs.142.69 crore with Government of India share of Rs.43.31 crore. Payment is reimbursed to the concerned market yard and Gining & Pressing factory in a phased manner. During 2001-02, 67 project proposals with Government of India share of Rs.24.25 crore are expected to be sanctioned. An amount of Rs.25 crore has been provided in the Plan outlay for the year 2001-2002.

12.07 Scheme for Apparel Export Textile Park : The objective of this scheme under the National Textile Policy:-

- (i) to facilitate the Textile Industry to attain and sustain a pre-eminent global standing in the manufacture and export of clothing;
- (ii) to equip the industry to understand pressures of import penetration and maintain a dominant presence in the domestic market; and
- (iii) to enable the industry to build world class state-of-the-art manufacturing capabilities in conformity with environmental standards and for this purpose to encourage both Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) as well as research and development in the sector.

12.08 Scheme for upgrading Infrastructure Facilities of Textiles Growth Centres: This is a central sector new scheme for upgrading infrastructure facilities of certain textiles growth centres. Under this scheme assistance for up-gradation of infrastructural facilities to supplement and boost production/exports as selected textile clusters such as Ichalkaranji, Erode, Varansi, Tirupur, Panipat, etc. will be provided.

13. Jute Commissioner : Jute Commissioner looks after the development of Jute Industry in India and development of jute mill machinery. He also administers the Jute Textile(Control) Order, 1956 and the Jute (Licensing and Control) Order, 1961.

14. Other programmes for development of jute : Provides mainly for grants to Indian Jute Industry Research Association and payments in respect of Jute companies acquired/nationalised and National Centre for Jute Diversification.

15. Transfer to/from Jute Development Fund:- This relates to the amounts required for the programmes under the Industrial Development Fund - Special Jute Development Fund, from the Deposit account.

16. Grants to PSEs for VRS : Provision under Plan is for implementation of VRS to various PSEs.

CIVIL SUPPLIES

17. Non - Plan loans to Public Enterprises : The provision is providing budgetary support to sick public sector enterprises under the Ministry to meet shortfall in their resources for payment of salaries and wages to their employees. Lump sum provision has been kept for settling terminal dues of the employees of Elgin Mills and Cawnpore Textiles.

18. Investments in public Enterprises: Provides for equity and loans to Public Sector Undertakings to meet their new and continuing schemes.

18.01 National Textile Corporation: National Textile Corporation was set up to manage affairs of the sick textiles mills taken over by the Government. The Corporation runs 124 mills with an installed capacity of 35.63 lakh spindles and 35,684 looms. Government has approved a comprehensive turnaround strategy; the key elements of which are selective modernisation, financial and managerial restructuring and rationalisation of surplus work force.

18.02 British India Corporation: British India Corporation owns two woollen mills, namely Cawnpur Woollen Mills, Kanpur and New Egerton Woollen Mills, Dhariwal. It has got two cotton subsidiary corporations namely Cawnpore Textile Mills and Elgin Mills. The two cotton subsidiaries are before the High Court of Allahabad for winding up. In case of BIC, a revival proposal has been approved and placed before the BIFR for its consideration and approval.

18.03 National Jute Manufactures Corporation: National Jute Manufactures Corporation was set up to run the six nationalised jute mills. Schemes for modernisation and renovation of these mills have also been taken up.

18.06 National Handloom Development Corporation : NHDC has been imparting training programmes in the field of Dyeing and Printing in collaboration with manufactures of chemicals and dyes. Latest techniques in dyeing/printing/processing of handloom fabrics is made available to handloom weavers.

18.07 State Handicraft Corporations/Societies : With a view to enhancing the working capital base of the beneficiary organisations, the office of the D.C.(Handicrafts) provides equity to State Handicraft Development Corporation and Apex Co-operative Societies in order to enable them to undertake procurement of handicrafts directly from artisans and distribute raw materials.

18.09 Handicraft & Handloom Export Corporation : HHEC was set up in June, 1962 with twin objective of (i) Export Promotion and (ii) Trade Development of handicrafts and handloom products. HHEC is an Export House in the field of handicrafts and handloom products (including handknotted woollen carpets and ready-made garments) besides undertaking export of gold jewellery and silver jewellery/articles.

19. UNDP Assistance under CCF-I : Under the aegis of Country Cooperation Frame work -I (CCF) with UNDP assistance programmes are taken up in the fibres and handicrafts sector. The Project Support Document was signed between Government of India (Department of Economic Affairs, and Ministry of Textiles), and UNDP on 14th August, 1998. The sectors that will be covered under this programme are jute, non-mulberry silk, angora wool, carpets and cane and bamboo. There are 4 implementing Agencies. These are Central Silk Board, National Centre for Jute Diversification, Central Wool Development Board and Development Commissioner (Handicrafts).

The funds from UNDP would be to the tune of US \$ 7 million (approximately Rs. 30 crores).

20. The provision relates to projects/schemes for the development of North Eastern Region and Sikkim.