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Shri Kalraj Mishra welcomes his successor Shri Giriraj Singh, the new Minister, MSME.

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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on Sunday 24th September, 2017 urges in Mann ki Baat.

"This Gandhi Jayanti, let us buy a Khadi product and light the lamp of prosperity in the lives of the poor"



In one episode of Mann Ki Baat I had discussed about Khadi. Khadi is not a fabric but an idea, a principle. I have noticed that these days interest in Khadi has increased very much and I had just said that I was not asking people to makeover into wearing Khadi permanently; rather, since there are a number of fabrics then why not Khadi also be one of the fabrics of your choice? May be a bed-sheet in the house, a handkerchief or a curtain, it has been felt that the younger generation has developed interest in Khadi. Sale of Khadi has

increased and as a result of this, the poor man's household has directly got connected to employment. Discount is offered on Khadi from 2nd October and people get quite a good rebate. I once again urge that we should try and take forward the Khadi movement. We should follow the spirit of helping the poor to be able to light a Diwali lamp. The poor of our country will derive strength from this and we must do it. The increasing interest in Khadi has infused a new thinking in those working in the Khadi sector as well as those connected, in any way, with Khadi. How do we bring in new technology, how do we increase productivity, how do we introduce looms driven by solar power? How do we rejuvenate our traditional heritage which was lying inactive for 20, 25 or 30 years?

Sewapuri Khadi Ashram at Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh was lying closed for 26 years but has got a fresh lease of life now. A number of thoughts were implemented. New employment opportunities were created for a number of people. Khadi Gramodyog revived its training centre at Pampore in

Shri Giriraj Singh is the new MSME Minister



constituency and a former minister in the cabinet of Nitish Kumar. Singh served the Cabinet of Bihar as co-operative minister from 2005-2010 & Animal Husbandry minister from 2010 to 2013.

He is a member of Bihar State Bharatiya Janata Party's 16-member state election committee. Singh has been very active in promoting Khadi and other MSME sectors vigorously.

New Delhi, Sept 4 : Shri Giriraj Singh, who was MoS in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), under the latest Cabinet reshuffle, has got independent charge of the Ministry.

Shri Kalraj Mishra, the former MSME minister resigned earlier paving way for Shri Singh. Giriraj Singh is the Member of Parliament from the Nawada



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Kashmir and in this sector Kashmir has so much to offer. With the reopening of this training centre, the new generation will get a boost in jobs in manufacturing , in weaving, in creating new things and it feels so good to see that even big corporate Houses have started including Khadi items as Diwali gifts. Even people have started exchanging Khadi items as gifts. We now experience how something grows naturally.



Bihar KVIB has requested authorities in gov. dept. & DM to use khadi in their offices

The Bihar State Khadi and Village Industries Board has also requested authorities in government departments and district magistrates to use khadi or handloom upholstery in their offices, circuit houses and guesthouses .

Government employees , including IAS officers, in Bihar have been requested to wear *khadi* attire at least twice a week.

The request comes from the Bihar State Khadi and Village Industries Board (KVIB) in its initiative to promote *khadi*, considered to be Mahatma Gandhi's *swadeshi* (indigenous) weapon of political protest. The state is celebrating the centenary year of Champaran *satyagraha* this year.

The board, a unit of Bihar's industry department, has requested authorities in government offices and district magistrates to ensure that all employees turn up at their workplace in *khadi*, at least twice a week.

It has also requested them to use *khadi* or handloom upholstery in government offices, circuit houses and guesthouses.

“As part of chief minister Nitish Kumar's initiative to boost *khadi* and handloom industry, we have also requested DMs to ensure use of the *swadeshi* fabric in all its

offices and government schools,” KVIB chief executive officer (CEO) BN Prasad said.

“The rider attached with it is that the *khadi* fabric will have to be purchased only from KVIB-approved outlets or the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC - under the Union ministry of micro, small and medium enterprises),” Prasad added.

Some bureaucrats and employees had begun coming to office in *khadi* on Fridays, he said. “But we want all IAS officers, state service officers and employees to come to office in *khadi* for at least two days in a week,” Prasad added.

“The initiative can be enforced only when the government approves a *khadi* policy,” he said, adding that the fabric needed this kind of promotion to survive and sustain. “There are hardly five *khadi* board production-cum-sale outlets in the region, including the one near Gandhi Maidan in the state capital. Others are at Gaya, Bhagalpur, Chapra and Ara,” he said.

“However, the region has many private outlets. Altogether 84 such outlets are approved either by the KVIB or the KVIC and are sustaining nearly 6,000 artisans of the region. With the support of KVIB, these outlets did a business of Rs 1.75 crore in 2016, while it had a turnover of hardly Rs 1 crore in 2014,” he said.

Bihar State Handloom Weavers Cooperative Limited chairman Naquib Ahmad said the use of handloom and *khadi* in government offices would boost the industry.

Handloom weavers had been waiting for this kind of support and promotion for long, he said.



MOS, MSME urges to develop Entrepreneurial Model

After taking over as Minister MSME, Shri Giriraj Singh for the first time reviewed the ongoing Schemes, Programmes and other activities of Khadi and Village Industries at Central Office, Mumbai on 16th September 2017.

Anil Kumar, JS, MSME and CEO and Usha Suresh, Financial Advisor KVIC were also present on the occasion. During this one day brain storming meet with the officials of KVIC the Minister took first hand information from Dy. CEOs and Directors and suggested on developing the entrepreneurial model in the field of Khadi, honey mission project, Palm gur, Neera, SFURTI, Information Technology and Marketing besides other on going activities of the Khadi and Village Industries sector.

The Minister took keen interest in developing wholesome Project under Honey Mission. Thus he discussed on how to recast the investment plan in honey mission project, how it would be beneficial in generating IRG for KVIC in addition to employment generation by fixing parameters, economic data, availability of flora months, migration model and the most important how much could be earned without supplement feeding to the bees for

improved and effective implementation of the activity.

He also suggested to install a new design exotic Neera CO2 machinery which would serve flavored Neera never served earlier would again be entrepreneurial model which would be viable, feasible and entrepreneurial model. The Minister also analysed on how the Neera production could be made popular and profitable right from Neera tapping to selling on stalls to the customers under the supervision of entrepreneur.

He also commented on achievement of Workshed and Khadi Reform Development Schemes of KVIC and various other issues like growth of Khadi institutions.

Appreciating the successful implementation of PMEGP the Minister suggested reviewing the work every 15 days specifically the SC/ST targets. He also appreciated the suggestion of introducing the 2nd phase of small units from 25 lakhs to 1crore.

Later speaking on function of DSO he also instructed to renovate the non-profit DSO of Goa or close it down.

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“Though the weavers at Baswan Bigaha village in Nalanda district have traditionally been creating Baawan Booti curtains, which carry 52 varieties of motifs, mass production of drapes for plush offices will generate new energy among weavers,” Ahmad added.

“We will also rope in designers from the National Institute of Fashion Technology to

create some new patterns to suit the mood and ambience,” he said.

“Despite many traditional weavers shifting to powerloom, we still have nearly 5,000 handlooms active in our state,” he said.

Ahmad said a brand name, Bishcotex, had already been christened to promote handloom products.

Minister, MSME interacts with Haryana Khadi Institutions



Shri Giriraj Singh, Minister, MSME visited Haryana on 3rd and 4th September to review status and progress of activities carried out by Khadi and Village Industries Sector. On this occasion the Minister had interaction with dignitaries of KVIC, MSME, NSIC officials in the august presence of Shri Ratanlal Kataria, M.P., Shri Aseem Goyal, MLA of Haryana,. The Minister had conversation on activities of Khadi and Village Industries run in the State. Speaking on the occasion Shri Giriraj said that Khadi has immense capacity to generate employment .It is dream of Hon'ble Prime Minister that employment is generated for the people at their door steps and their income is increased through charkha.

Charkha can provide employment to the rural masses at their door steps. With the changing time in place of traditional Chakha, new model and solar charkha

may be used for more employment and larger production, he added. He also urged KVIC and MSME officials to have meeting and guide and review Institutions from time to time.

Shri Singh also visited Centre for excellence for vegetable, Gharoda dist. Karnal on 4.09.2017 which is run in association with Govt. of Israil and India. This Institute grows plants for farmers and does research work. Later, Minister MSME had interaction with representatives of Khadi Institutions. He asked the institutions to increase production and make efforts for increasing wages of artisans. He also threw ideas how Khadi could be more productive for artisans. An artisan can earn Rs. 6000/ to Rs. 10, 000/ if they use solar Charkha and if it is implemented under PMEGP. There is also need to increase coordination between spinners and weavers, he opined.



'I admire the Women Power of Lijjat'

Shri Giriraj Singh, Minister of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises

The 52nd Annual General Meeting of Shri Mahila Griha Udyog Lijjat Papad, a Women's Institution was held at Shanmukhananda Hall, Mumbai on 15th September 2017. Shri Giriraj Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State (I.C.) Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises was the Chief Guest while Smt. Rohini Hattangadi Well-Known Actress was the Guest of Honour. Shri Ashutosh Karmarkar, Joint Charity Commissioner, Shri Bharat Vyas, Dy. Charity Commissioner and Shri Y.K. Baramatikar, Dy Chief Executive Officer, KVIC were the other dignitaries present at the meeting.



presently 45 Thousand sister-members but it has capabilities to increase its strength to 45 Lakh sister-members. Shri Giriraj Singh added that 'Lijjat' like 'Amul' should go into diversification of products in addition to Papad as the Institution has an International Brand name and is a prestigious Institution and should also go in for automation so that it can increase productivity and self-employment opportunities to more women which Lijjat is capable of achieving. Shri Giriraj Singh wished the Institution all success and asked the members to take forward the 'Swatchh Bharat Mission' of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi.



Thousands of sister members from different branches of Lijjat across the country were present at the Annual General Meeting.

Shri Giriraj Singh who was honoured by the Institution humbly gave away the same honour to Smt. Jaswantiben Popat, being the Pioneer Member of 'Lijjat'. Shri Giriraj Singh while addressing the gathering said that he admired the women power of 'Lijjat' which has given respectable honour to women in India and is fulfilling the dreams of Gandhiji who had given the 'Charkha' to women during freedom struggle as an honour. 'Lijjat' is a very good Institution with sound management of women said Shri Giriraj Singh. He further said the Institution has



Chess Federation decides to adopt Khadi as uniforms, kits



Patna: It is official now! To promote Khadi at International level and attract younger generation about this signature and heritage fabric of India, the All India Chess Federation (AICF) has decided that all the Indian Chess players and their supporting staff would use Khadi as their uniforms and kits in all international tournaments.

It was announced by AICF Secretary Bharat Singh Chouhan (Contact no



9810000007) during the Khadi India 47th National Junior Chess Championship for Boys and 32nd National Junior Chess Championship for Girls being held at Patliputra Sports complex in Kankerbagh

at Patna on Sunday – formally inaugurating by the Bihar Deputy chief minister Shri Sushil Kumar Modi. Incidentally, it was the very first Sports event in India, which was sponsored by Khadi and Village Industries Commission



(KVIC).

KVIC Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena – who formally opened the tournament – playing some moves on board with Bihar deputy CM, in his address, said that Chess and Charkha have many similarities like both had been discovered in India centuries ago and now have become our heritages. “Like chess has eight houses from both sides, Charkha also has eight spokes from the front and rear. Most importantly, like Charkha can't be spun without immense concentration, chess also needs the same,” he said, adding, “Hence; Charkha and Chess will go along to set many milestones in future.” Hailing



AICF's decision to use Khadi uniforms and kits during international tourneys, he said that it would help in making an international image of Khadi. "Keeping in mind that sport is the best medium to connect the people – especially from younger generations – KVIC will sponsor such sports event in future, to give a global image to Khadi," he added.

Harsha, Mahalakshmi win Khadi India National Junior Chess Championship

Patna: International Master Harsha Bharathakoti and Women International Master Mahalakshmi, on Monday, won the Khadi India National Junior Chess



Championship in the boys and girls category respectively.

Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar gave away the prizes to the winners after the 11-round championship that concluded at the Patliputra Sports Complex in Patna. "For the promotion of the sports Bihar will soon



have a sports academy at Rajgir close to the upcoming Nalanda University," he said.

On the other hand, enthused by the very first Sports event in India, sponsored by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), its Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena said on this occasion that Chess and Charkha have many similarities as both had been discovered in India



centuries ago and now have become our heritages. Hailing All India Chess Federation's decision to use Khadi uniforms and kits during international tourneys, he said: "It is going to help in making an international image of Khadi. As sport is the best medium to connect the people – especially from younger generations – KVIC will sponsor such sports event in future, to give a global image to Khadi."

Bharathakoti, former National U-13 champion, was tied with Karthik Venkatraman of Andhra Pradesh with 9.5 points. He was declared winner as he had

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KVIC Chairman gets 'Luxury League Award 2017' for revival of Khadi



New Delhi: Amid much enthusiasm and gaiety, the Luxury League 2017 Award was given to Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena, in recognition of his significant contribution for the revival of Khadi. The award was given at a function at Hotel Hyatt here in New Delhi on Friday.

Saxena, who received this award for his herculean efforts for the 'revival of Khadi' in the 'Conservation of Heritage and Culture' class, from Jayant Sinha – the Minister of State for Civil Aviation, said that his definition of Luxury had changed during the course of time and subsequent responsibilities. “When I was a corporate

man, spending quality time with friends and colleagues was a luxury for me. But now as Chairman of KVIC, which revolves around the Gandhian philosophy of self-reliance, I now get luxury in ensuring the bread and livelihood to last man among our valuable artisans. Luxury has no meaning if it does not kindle others' lamp of luxury,” he said.

The other recipients of the award included the Governor of Goa Mrs Mridula Sinha, France Ambassador to India, Alexander Zeigler, former ICCR director general Amarendra Khatua, noted hotelier Arvind Singh Mewar, journalist Rajiv Makhni and Art director Sanjoy K Roy.

Earlier, the programme was kicked off, when Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, the Minister of Minority Affairs inaugurated the function. The luxury league round table 2017 is an initiative of The Luxury League, a platform to promote Luxury as a powerful agent of change by leveraging India's art and crafts to create global luxury brands from India.

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defeated Karthik in their individual encounter. While Karthik finished second, IM Krishna Teja N. of Andhra Pradesh finished third with eight points.

In the girls section, former World U-12 champion Mahalakshmi outwitted Rutuja Bakshi of Maharashtra to bag the crown with nine points. Sakshi Chitlange of Maharashtra came second with 8.5 points. Karnataka's Isha Sharma also scored 8.5 points, but she had to be content with the third spot as she had lost to Sakshi earlier.

MP, Ratan Kataria Reviews KVI Activities at Ambala



Empowering India

Lijjat Papad unit started few months back at Sevapuri Varanasi employs 140 women & produces 172 kg Papad daily.



When Tihar women prisoners presented their debut khadi collection

From jailhouse to the ramp

This fashion show might not make it to Delhi's fashion calendar, but the women prisoners of Tihar made sure that it was every bit like a professional ramp show when they presented their debut khadi collection at Dilli Haat, Janakpuri. Not only the collection, they took everyone by surprise with the confidence with which they walked the ramp, too.

Making couturiers out of convicts The Tihar jail administration organised the



fashion show to showcase the designs of the inmates after the completion of their certificate course in fashion designing. The inmates also paraded with models wearing their own designs. The front row at this fashion show not just had the family members of the inmates, but also the

guests like, Delhi Law Minister Kailash Gahlot and Swati Maliwal, chairperson, Delhi Commission for Women (DCW).



Bihar has tremendous opportunities of Beekeeping



During his visit to Patna Chairman KVIC Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena observed the ongoing activities of Khadi and Village Industries at Dr. Rajendra Prasad Multidisciplinary Training Centre. He also inaugurated the " Sweet Mission" Workshop which was participated by large number of Beekeeping Institutions and Beekeepers.

Speaking on this occasion Shri Saxena said that Bihar has tremendous opportunities of Beekeeping. Govt of India will distribute 1 lakh beehives which will improve economic conditions of people of this region. Training for the youth is also being arranged. Chairman KVIC also assured that this institute will be lifted to International level and people will be trained in different trades through this institution. Very soon training in manufacturing readymade garments will be started here, he added. He also informed that steps have been taken to restart the sick and dying institutions.

Shri Saxena also threw light on preparing health drink from Neera. This will provide employment to the Pasi community. He also informed that a gear is being prepared with the help of IIT which will be very helpful in climbing palm

trees. He also reiterated that govt is working on KRDP scheme of KVIC which will help in regaining the lost dignity and pride of Khadi Industry. They are also working on restructuring the Khadi Institutions for which funding of Rs. 75 lakhs to 1.00 crore will be done. The State Office Patna has identified 20 such Institutions whom Primary amount has been released. In the second stage other institutions will be selected. At present 6.5 thousand people are associated with Khadi Industry, which will be increased to 8.5 thousand, he added.

Shri Saxena also saw the exhibitions organized here today and appreciated the maithila painting, Khadi Sarees, shawls, Honey and yarn spun on solar Charkha. Smt. Sangita Kumari, Member East Zone was also present on this occasion.

And last but not the least Chairman cautioned to action against those who are selling fake or imitative Khadi. Notice has also been served to such sellers, he informed.



Chairman KVIC in an old Khadi institution Gram Swavlambi Vidyalaya at Faizabad on 1st September 2017 where he distributed Charkha to the artisans .



Member, SZ visits Khanapur Pottery Institute

G. Chandramouli, Member SZ and Dy.Ceo(Sz), G. Guruprasanna, Dy. CEO , South Zone Central Village Pottery Institute, Khanapur(Belagavi district)-Karnataka on 11-09-2017 visited the Central Village Pottery Institute Khanapur. The member reviewed training activities, achievements , infrastructure and their poor utilization, manpower etc.

He also inaugurated the one month long training programme on pottery sponsored by Shri Kshetriya Dharmashtal Gramabhuvrudhi yojane an NGO working for rural development in Karnataka and distributed certificates and tool kits to the



trainees who took training in aggarbatti making from the institute.

Happy to see the pottery activity, the member advised to develop the blue pottery art from Jaipur.



KVIC rejuvenates Sewapuri Khadi Ashram after 26 years on Sewa Diwas



Sewapuri (Varanasi): The Sewapuri Ashram was set up on November 5, 1946 by a group of Gandhians – all hailing from a well-known Khadi institution of Gandhian era 'Kshatriya Shri Gandhi Ashram' – under the guidance of the Mahatma Gandhiji, to promote khadi and provide employment to weavers. It was then formally inaugurated by Dr Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India and Gandhiji stayed here for quite some time, when 600 people used to work in this center those days. Spread in 12 acres of area, Sewapuri Ashram was one of the best Khadi centers

in the country once upon a time. But, due to financial crunch and lack of proper management, the center was closed in 1990 and since then this erstwhile glorious centre that played a crucial role in the promotion of khadi virtually turned into a testimony of negligence. In its 26-odd years' of dilapidation, it turned into a jungle – with most of the structures biting the dust.

Many firsts

**First ever Lijjat Papad manufacturing unit in Varanasi district*

**First ever CSR funds sanctioned on Khadi activities in the country*

** A training centre to develop skills in leather goods, Agarbatti-making, soaps and detergents*

**First ever edible salt manufacturing and packaging unit by any Khadi Institution in the country*

**First ever unit of 250 solar charkhas and 25 solar loom under a single roof in the country*

**First ever apiary with 100 bee-boxes for honey-production and training in Varanasi*

** 500 women and men employed with many educated women passionately involved in production*





The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), who had been leaving no stone unturned for the revival of this centre of excellence of Gandhian philosophy of self-reliance and swadeshi, finally chose a day to formally re-inaugurate it. On September 17 this year – on the occasion of Prime Minister and local MP Narendra Modi's birthday – better known as Sewa Diwas - Vinai Kumar Saxena, the KVIC Chairman reopened it, in presence of the Uttar Pradesh Minister of Khadi and Village Industries Mr Satyadev Pachauri, the Machhlishahr MP Ram Charitra Nishad and representatives of several Khadi institutions. On the 67th birthday of the Prime Minister, they also planted 67 fruit-

bearing samples.

Speaking on the re-launching ceremony, Saxena said that KVIC had decided to celebrate 'Sewa Diwas' with its socio-economic welfare agenda. “It is really a 'dream come true' moment for the people of this area as the re-launching of this Ashram is like restoring their fading legacy,” he said, adding, “I hope that within three months, this Ashram will give direct employment to more than 1,000 people of this area.”

KVIC had given a special grant of Rs 20 lakhs to the Khadi institutions for renovation and repair of dilapidated buildings and cleaning up the campus. KVIC roped in Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) to use its CSR funds to kick off Khadi activities. REC sanctioned Rs 5.50 crore for this project. Notably, it is the first ever utilization of CSR funds for Khadi activities.

As many as 250 Solar Charkha's and 25 Solar Looms – provided by KVIC – had provided direct employment to 300 people. Out of those 300 people, 250 are local women between age group of 19 to 45 working on Charkhas, coming from the





center for the farmers of the nearby area. So far 20 local people have got direct employment through the 'Honey Mission' project. Even the pollination would increase the yield of different crops, subsequently increasing the income of the farmers of this area. It is also the first ever apiary with 100 bee-boxes for honey-production and training in Varanasi district.

radius of 22 kms, through the pickup bus, provided by the Khadi Institution. The remaining 50 people are working on looms and other activities.

Even Lijjat papad has established a papad making unit in the center in which 175 local women have been enrolled for the work. Out of 175 women, 132 women are regularly coming at the center. The center has started making 180 kg papad every day. Incidentally, it is the first ever Lijjat Papad manufacturing unit of Varanasi district. Not only that, as the Sewapuri area is an agriculture belt with lots of flora and fauna, an apiary of 100 bee boxes with hives had been set up in the campus, under the 'Honey Mission' programme of the KVIC. It would be used as beekeeping training-cum-production

Keeping in mind that salt was much associated with Gandhiji's freedom struggle, an edible salt -manufacturing and packaging unit has been set up in the campus, which has provided direct employment to as many as 15 local people. Salt would be marketed with the brand name of 'Ashram Salt'. Incidentally, it is also the first ever salt unit established by any Khadi institution in the country.

The old Training center has been revived and with well-trained 10 teaching faculties – it has started giving training on spinning, weaving, soaps and detergents, leather and agarbatti. Over all, more than 520 people have got direct employment and the center has regained its erstwhile glory in just six months' time.



KVIC's Charkha to remind Gandhian glory abroad

KVIC provides 'Gandhi Charkha' for 2nd October celebration in Uganda



New Delhi: By the time Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi left Africa for the last time in 1914 – after his 21 years' stay there, he had already earned the appellation Mahatma (or Great Soul) for his work and strategy championed *satyagraha* (truth-force) and *swablamban* (self-reliance). After 103 years, as a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi's significant work in Africa and to showcase the famous tool of self-reliance of Mahatma in Uganda, during the Gandhi Jayanti celebrations being held by the Indian community there, the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has handed over a 'Wooden Gandhi Charkha' on Saturday at New Delhi to the representative of the India's High Commission in Kampala (Uganda). Incidentally, it was the first Charkha, to be installed at a foreign soil under the aegis of KVIC.

Amid much enthusiasm and gaiety, KVIC Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena and Chief Executive Officer BH Anil Kumar handed over the 'Wooden Gandhi Charkha' to the representative of Indian

High Commission in Kampala (Uganda). The Charkha – weighing around 25 kilograms with the acrylic box packing, is made of high-quality teak wood. Its dimensions are 3.6 feet long, 1 foot 11 inch tall and 1.5 feet wide.

After handing over the Charkha, Mr Saxena said that it was a proud moment for KVIC and India as it would not only to cement a long lasting relationship with a continent that shaped Gandhiji's career, but also immortalize and spread his legacy in Africa and beyond. “By putting up this Charkha in Uganda, we will commemorate a great man, who worked hard to spread a message of peace, non-violence and self-reliance in the world,” he said.

Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Giriraj Singh also hailed the KVIC's decision to provide this Charkha for Gandhi Jayanti celebrations in Uganda.

It may be mentioned here that to promote Gandhian philosophy of self-reliance, the KVIC had recently installed a high-quality stainless-steel climate-resistant Charkha (21 feet long, 10 feet tall and 6 feet wide) at Connaught Place in New Delhi. Prior to it, the KVIC had installed a four-tonne World's Largest Charkha (30 feet long, 17 feet tall and 9 feet wide), made of high-quality Burma teak wood at Terminal 3 of Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport in New Delhi.





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Training of MIS of KIS developed by DIT at KVIC Mumbai on 4 September 2017



KVIC gifts Charkha to tribal artisans in Gujarat



Arawali: Enthused by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call to service the last man left in the society, the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), distributed Charkhas among the tribal artisans of Kumbhera village – one of the remotest villages located in Arawali district of Gujarat. 430 tribal women have been trained and are linked with Khadi institution Shri Yogi Kripa Gramyodyog Sangh .A new Common Facility Centre (CFC) given to this institution was also inaugurated there, under the ambitious Khadi Reform Development Programme (KRDP) of the KVIC.

KVIC Chairman Vinai K Saxena, who inaugurated the centre, said that generating employment for the tribal folk of this remotest village would reflect Prime Minister's vision of inclusive growth. “It will make the tribal women self-reliant and stop migration of rural population into cities. Implementation of

KRDP will rejuvenate the capability of khadi to provide sustainable employment opportunities at very low per capita investment. As this area has abundant flora and fauna, the KVIC will launch a bee-keeping training programme in this village. It will not only generate additional income to the families of artisans, rather the yield

of the crops in and around the villages will also increase with our 'Honey Mission' program,” he said.

It may be noted that in another tribal-dominated village Vanaj in Gujarat – the KVIC had provided 25 charkhas and 5 looms – creating sustainable job opportunities for at least 50 tribal women there.

Earlier, a Khadi Bhawan was also inaugurated at Modasa in Arawali district.



Glimpses of Zonal Exhibition at **Laddakh**



PMEGP review meet at Guwahati



New range of gift packs developed by State Office Chennai.



PMEGP Zonal Level Review

On 28 august KRDP and PMEGP zonal level review meeting was held at Ahmedabad under chairmanship of Shri B. H. Anil kumar, CEO, KVIC,

In meeting Dy CEO WZ Shri Y K Baramatikar, Dy CEO Khadi Shri Dhanpal ji, Director PMEGP, Stat Director Shri S G Hedao, Shri R R Gajbhiye, Director Nagpur, Shri S. S. Tambe, Dy. Dir I/c Goa, Govt of Gujarat officials and Bank Representative presented.



PMEGP review meeting of North Zone at Chandigarh

A PMEGP review meeting of North Zone was held at Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Member/N.Z. KVIC on 14th September 2017. In her opening remarks Hon'ble Member/NZ suggested to organize awareness camp at district level for spreading awareness about online PMEGP system. The suggestion given by him was appreciated. Dr. Hina Shafi Bhatt, Member/N.Z. during the discussion said that banks take long time to take decision on the proposals forwarded to them under PMEGP Scheme. As a result the youth and women lose their interest in the Scheme. She also advised that issues like refinance, marketing, designing the garments of Khadi should be taken care of.

During the review meet B.H. Anil Kumar reviewed statewise revised target under PMEGP for the year 2017-18. He advised to take up special drive to complete the backlog of SC/ST for which they may also approach corporation of the States to look for SC/ST candidates. The first target of the banks should be to sanction the proposals pending with them, to disburse sanctioned proposals and to upload on the PMEGP- e portal for disbursement of Margin Money subsidy, he said. He also advised to fasten the process of conducting DLTC.

He also opined that Banks should not insist the beneficiaries of PMEGP upto the project cost of Rs. 10.00 lakhs. R.B.I. should take up this issue. He also suggested the banks to upload TDR on PMEGP Portal.

Speaking on this occasion K.S. Rao, Dy. CEO/PMEGP, KVIC highlighted

PMEGP issues such as revised target to achieve 1.25 lakhs project, SC/ST Backlog, Awareness camp, Focus on SDP training to potential SC/ST persons in the districts by RSETIs and link the training SC/ST candidates with PMEGP and provide them hand holding support. Action plan should be chalked out by KVIC & RSETIs with all stake holders to achieve the SC/ST target. As per guidelines of PMEGP Scheme collateral security is not required up to the project of Rs. 10.00 lakhs under PMEGP Scheme, but in some states beneficiaries are insisted to deposit collateral security whereas in some states banks are sanctioning the projects up to Rs. 10.00 lakhs under PMEGP without demanding collateral security. Sanction rate is low under PMEGP Scheme. Offline claims lying with financing banks must be forwarded to KVIC State Offices for processing, he added.

DPS Kharbanda, Director, Industries & Commerce, Govt. of Punjab also raised the issue like collateral Security, taking long time to dispose of the proposal under PMEGP etc. He advised that system should be improved and governed by ACR.

Hon'ble Member/NZ, KVIC, Sh. B.H. Anil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MSME /CEO along with senior officers of KVIC visited the stalls of PMEGP units of Punjab and Haryana and saw the products displayed by PMEGP units and interacted with them. Thereafter the beneficiaries of PMEGP units briefed about their units. On this occasion Hon'ble Member/NZ, KVIC also inaugurated PMEGP Face book of Punjab and Haryana State and

THE CENTRAL ZONE PMEGP REVIEW MEETING

The Central Zone PMEGP meeting held on 17 August 2017 at Lucknow was chaired by CEO, KVIC and J.S., ARI and was attended by officials of KVIC, Banks, DIC, KVI Board of Uttar Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Uttarakhand, and Madhya Pradesh. In the review various important issues of PMEGP like the proposals forwarded to banks and pending margin money claims lying with Banks for disbursement were discussed. It was also found that the target would be easily surpassed for the entire zone and banks should be pro-active and sanction and disburse the pending projects expeditiously so that additional targets and margin money subsidy could be requested from the Ministry under PMEGP for the zone.

CEO, KVIC observed that the progress in Uttarakhand for the current financial year was quite slow with only 6.57% achievement of the target. The State Govt. representative informed that due to rain and weather conditions the progress was slow.

CEO/J.S., ARI during this occasion also suggested that an SMS alert to financing banks should be given once by the system automatically as the RSETI uploads the EDP certificate. CEO/J.S., ARI informed that Ministry has already approved All India Council for Technical Education AICTE for mentorship and engineering graduates are being inducted for interim for handholding the MSME enterprises the same could be done for PMEGP.

CEO directed that data pertaining to PMEGP units from 2008-09 to 2016-17 should be forwarded by the State and

Divisional Directors of KVIC within a month's time. Further federation should be formed on PMEGP units State wise.

On this occasion an interaction also took place between PMEGP entrepreneurs to get a feedback from them regarding the scheme as well as its implementation

In detailed deliberations bank wise on the pendency it was decided that all the pending claims lying with the banks will be settled by 31.08.2017 and all the proposals lying for sanction will be disposed by 30.09.2017.

The revised target of Rs. 1.25 lakhs projects under the PMEGP was also discussed and it was expected that all the States in the zone will be able to gear up and achieve the revised targets which are around 2.5 times the previous year achievement.

It was also discussed that there is a SC, ST backlog under PMEGP scheme from 2008-09 to 2017-18 RSETI and other training centres of Central and other State Govt who are imparting skill development programme will be requested to identify and train SC & ST youth in different skills/trends and link with to PMEGP scheme for self employment.

Special awareness camps of SC/ST will be organized by KVIC alongwith RSETI, Banks as well as likeminded organization like National Schedule Caste Financial Development Corporation, National Schedule Tribe Financial Development Corporation, National Safai Karamchari Financial Development Corporation etc. these camps will be preferably done in SC, ST pre-dominant Districts in the Country.

An issue relating to EDP for Solar Charkha projects was also raised by Dy. Director, Varanasi and it was decided that skill development projects like Solar Charkha etc. should have inbuilt EDP component.

Suggestion was also received that for better viability the project ceiling of PMEGP should be increased from Rs. 25 lakhs to Rs. 30 lakhs.

Another suggestion was that CGTSME coverage should be made compulsory for PMEGP and the service charge payable should be paid by the scheme B&F. Allahabad UP Gramin Bank representative requested that their credit rating is approved and therefore they should be covered under CSTSME.

On issues relating to gaps/shortfalls in the documents uploaded alongwith margin money claim by Banks it was decided that a

certificate would be forwarded in the margin money claim format of the financing banks and banks will have to tick the box which would read "I have verified all the documents of the applicant and found that they are in order as per the PMEGP scheme norms." This undertaking may be included in the margin money claim format.

It was brought to the notice that DLTFC reduces the figure of project in many cases which is not reflected in the portal when the application is forwarded to the banks on line. Further the recommendations made by DLTFC should be locker so that the same cannot be tampered with.

An issue regarding beneficiaries who had not deposited their own contribution and for this reasons their margin money claim had not been cleared in the on line system was also discussed.

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Compendium of PMEGP units of Haryana State in presence of B.H. Anil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MSME /CEO and other senior officers of KVIC and States . During the review, the issues like pendency with banks under PMEGP, reasons of rejecting the proposals, achieve the revised target, uploading the Margin Money claims on PMEGP e-portal, collateral security were discussed in detail.

During the discussion the attention of senior officers of the banks was attracted towards the huge pendency of PMEGP proposals with the banks and bankers assured that pendency lying with the financing branches of the banks will be

settled by 30.09.2017. The bankers also assured to achieve the revised target under PMEGP.

Harshvir Singh, Director, RSETI also raised the point of not to invite in DLTFC meeting by the Convener, DLTFC. This point was discussed and decided that Director RSETI be invited in DLTFC Meeting by the Convener, DLTFC of all states in the interest of programme. The issue of backlog of SC/ST was discussed in respect of Rajasthan and decided to shift SC/ST backlog from one district to another district.

Later, V.K.Nagar, Director, KVIC, Haryana & Punjab proposed vote of thanks.



ZONAL LEVEL REVIEW MEETING (SOUTH ZONE) ON PMEGP AND KRDP

Zonal Level Review Meeting (South Zone) on PMEGP was held on 30.08.2017 at N I M S M E , Hyderabad.



Zonal Level Review meeting (South Zone) on PMEGP was started by well-come address by Guruprasanna, Dy. CEO (SZ) Zonal Office, KVIC, Bangalore. Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Shri. Anil Kumar J.S. MSME/ CEO, KVIC and Shri G. Chandramouli, member (South Zone) special invitee.

During the discussion it was observed that overall around 49% targets are achieved for South Zone in which State wise performance is Andhra Pradesh (112%), Vishakhapatnam (108%), Karnatak (63%) Telangana (28%), Kerala (21%), Tamil Nadu (46%), Puducherry (18%). State Director Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Kerala assured that they will achieve their performance by 15th September 2017.

Various issues pertaining to PMEGP like enhancement of PMEGP targets for the year 2017-18, State-wise & Bank-wise pending sanction with banks for Margin Money Disbursement as on 24.08.2017, Status of state wise pending referred back cases for rectification on PMEGP e-portal, status of backlog of SC/ST target from 2008-09 onwards, State-wise Status of old pending PMEGP claim (prior to 2015-16), State-wise Status of old pending PMEGP claim (prior to 2015-16), State-wise status

of PMEGP/REGP Court Cases and amount involved in each case, Data base relating to PMEGP from 2008-09 to 2016-17 giving details of the entrepreneur, project cost, type of industry/project,

Performance under B&F linkages for the year 2016-17 as on 31.03.2017 and 2017-18 as on 15.08.2017 were discussed on this occasion.

During the discussion CEO KVIC/JS MSME informed that for the year 2017-18 PMEGP targets will be enhanced by 2.5 times and for the same all field offices have to make all out efforts to achieve the same by 31.12.2017.

CEO KVIC also asked the representative of participating banks about time bound action for release of MM.

CEO said that, during the various review meetings it is observed that, SC/ST targets are lagging behind which should be completed by the month of December, 2017.

Director, PMEGP said that many banks are not verifying the records required for sanction of units under PMEGP. she also said that despite reminder respective state offices not furnished the desired information as per Performa forwarded & authentication certificate about EDP and physical verification status of the beneficiaries.

Highlights of

648th COMMISSION MEETING



The 648th Meeting of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission was held on 21st August, 2017 at Srinagar, presided over by Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, Chairman, KVIC.

The following members of the Commission Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, Chairman; Shri Jai Prakash Tomar, Zonal Member (CZ); Shri G. Chandramouli, Zonal Member (SZ); Dr. Sangeeta Kumari, Zonal Member (EZ); Shri Narayan C. Borkataky, Zonal Member (NEZ); Dr. Hina Shafi Bhatt, Zonal Member (NZ); Shri Ashok Bhagat, Expert Member (Rural Devl.); Shri Rajendra P. Gupta, Expert Member (Mktg.); Dr. Sheila Rai, Expert Member (Tech. Edu. and Training); Shri Sandeep, Dy. General Manager SBI and Shri B.H. Anil Kumar ; Joint Secretary, MSME / CEO, KVIC. were present in the meeting.

ITEM No.	AGENDA
1	Confirmation of Minutes of 647th Commission Meeting held on 26th July, 2017 at Mumbai.
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2	Action Taken Reports on the Commission's meeting No. 646th dated 29.06.2017
	<p>1. Hon'ble Member (SZ) raised the issue for Opening of Divisional Office at Dharwad, Karnataka, stating that time and again the issue is being repeated and the proposal is pending for decision since last 2 years. The same was forwarded by KVIC to the MoMSME, but still the issue is undecided. Now, it is the privilege of KVIC that the Charge of CEO is being looked after by the Joint Secretary of the MoMSME, Govt. of India, so that, the approval in this regard may be issued for opening the Divisional Office at Dharwad upon the proposal, at the earliest possible.</p> <p>CEO, KVIC apprised the Commission that certain information were sought from KVIC in this regard, but still reply is not received. Even though, he assured that he will take-up the matter for decision within a week time.</p>

2. The CEO, KVIC raised the point that the ATR on the decisions is submitted in the second meeting of the Commission and also shows incomplete compliance on the decisions. After such long gap, it is not possible to keep track of the decisions taken. He further suggested that there is a need to focus on the replies submitted on part of Action Taken Report and it should be submitted in the next Commission's meeting without fail with 100% compliance report.

The Commission agreed on the points raised by CEO, KVIC and decided to submit 100% compliance report in the next meeting of Commission. It may also be communicated to all concerned immediately for necessary compliance of the decisions. Further, it was also directed by the Commission to assign the responsibility to an officer in Commission's Cell to follow up the Action Taken on the decisions and obtain compliance for timely submission in the next Commission's Meeting.

3. Mr. Ashok Bhagat, Expert Member (Rural Development) raised the point that in KVIC, whether any target is fixed for SC/ST. If it is, then whether the same is not ready? He further desired to know about Abhyaranya and for other Village Industries, how much funds have been allotted/utilized and where. The details of which shall be prepared, so that we may know the clear information.

On the issue, the CEO, KVIC informed that Rs. 49 Crores is allotted for SC/ST under Bee-keeping.

The Dy.CEO (Comm. Cell) further apprised that during the last Commission's meeting a format was approved for taking Physical & Financial report, but the reports are not received under the format timely.

On this issue, the Chairman and CEO directed that the format prescribed for taking month-wise report should be circulated and the report should be presented in the Commission's next meeting.

4. On the Agenda, Hon'ble Expert Member (Mktg.) opined that the last 2-3 meeting's ATR should be reviewed, so that, the action taken on the decisions could be reviewed.

The Commission agreed upon the suggestions of the Expert Member (Mktg.) and directed to review the ATR of last 3 meetings, to ensure the compliance on the decisions of the Commission.

5. Member (CZ) raised the issue of the dues to be settled in respect of Village Industries units and emphasis that the details of the units & their correct addresses shall be submitted and a copy to be sent to the zonal Members, so that the concerned unit could be traced and they may be able to pay their dues at once and get No Dues certificate. The issue has been raised several times, therefore, the complete details about their addresses should be provided.

Decision	The Commission directed to provide the information in this regard immediately.
3	Note submitted by Directorate of Marketing on new Marketing initiatives and seeking in-principle approval.
Decision	<p>The <u>Regarding Developing of Mobile App to locate and promote Khadi Sales Outlet.</u></p> <p>The issue was discussed and suggested as under :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) CEO, KVIC asked the time frame for completion of the entire process. b) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.), KVIC told that as per the GFR guidelines, 21 days will be required for taking Tender offers process and in-between for mapping the Sales outlets throughout the country. c) Chairman, KVIC said that on few items, the time given for calling offers i.e. 21 days seems to much, it may be reduced to 15 days & for short tenders- 7 days, looking to the present facilities i.e. websites & use of other social media sources. Therefore, a note should be placed before the Commission in the next meeting to reduce the time schedule. d) The Expert Member (Mktg.) also opined to reduce the time period of Tenders. He further told that the data of all 7050 sales outlets have to be mapped by using GPS system and other modern techniques to reduce time line, as it has to be tagged through this Mobile App. e) CEO suggested that the GFR notified by the Govt. of India is to be looked into once, whether it is possible or not. f) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.) apprised the Commission that the workmen in KVIC are not professional to deal such issues of RFPs, hence we have to engage outsource/ professional agency for these services. He further told that regarding availability of data of 7050 sales outlets, some data is available with us, but the data is to be confirmed. <p>Upon the above discussions, the KVIC granted In-principle approval of the proposal and approved to take the services of professional agency. The Commission further directed that the RFP process and mapping the location of 7050 Sales Outlets with complete address & Tel./Mobile numbers (both) shall be completed by 15th Sept.2017.</p> <p><u>1. Regarding Developing Digital E-Commerce Marketing initiatives and promoting Khadi on Social Media.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.) explained the proposal for developing Digital e-commerce and a RFP will have to be prepared for taking the offers. As such other platform are available like Paytm, Snapdeal, Amazon etc. for e-commerce, whether the KVIC develop its own App or to take professional agencies. b) Expert Member (Mktg.) suggested that in the Ist phase we should start
Decision	

through professional agencies, later on if the KVIC is able to do its own, then in IIInd Phase it could be used.

- c) Expert Member (Mktg.) told that we will discuss further with 'MyGov' to reduce the service charge.
- d) Member (SZ) suggested that these facilities are mainly used in the urban areas and we are dealing with other Semi-urban & rural areas also. Therefore, some scheme may also be proposed for Semi-urban/rural areas.

The KVIC granted In-principle approval of the proposal. The Commission further directed that the entire process shall be completed by 15th Sept. 2017.

2. Incentive scheme for departmental sales outlets

- a) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.) submitted the modalities of the scheme and expressed that through this scheme, we will be able to motivate the sales staff as well as supporting staff and it will result in enhancing the sales and profitability. The scheme will be implemented only in profit making units. There will be the ratio of 60:40. A portion of 60% of the sales turnover over and above the target will be for Sales staff and 40% will be for Manager/ Dy. Manager/ Asstt. Manager/Incharges and support staff of the Bhawans. The targets of each sales staff will be fixed. The 0.5% incentive will be provided on achievement of 10% to 20% above the target, 0.75% incentive on achieving 20% to 30% above the target and 1% incentive on 30% to 40% over and above the target. Besides that, if a salesman or supporting staff initiate to generate bulk supply order, then he will also get the benefit of the scheme. He further stated that during this year the target has already increased upto 50% in the budget discussions. The incentives will be on sale not on Govt. supply. It was also emphasised that on compliance of the target, the incentive shall also be given and this scheme shall be applicable to all Khadi Bhawans in respect of their profit/loss.
- b) The Member (SZ) suggested that for Institutional sale, the separate targets may be fixed for Bhawans and data generated as Counter sale, Institutional Sale (other than Govt.), bulk Instl. sale etc.
- c) CEO, KVIC suggested that the physical target should be fixed on value & volume. To identify the name of the person, they have to be allotted 'code' and the process of assessing the targets may be fixed on six month basis for payment. He further directed the Dy.CEO (Mktg.) that upon the discussions, a draft of the Circular may be submitted within 2 days, so that the scheme may be implemented from 2nd October, 2017. The incentives will be paid after the 100% payment is received.

The Commission granted In-principle approval as per discussions and directed the Dy.CEO (Mktg.) to prepare the draft of the Incentive Scheme and submit it to CEO as well as Chairman, KVIC within 2 days time.

3. Encouraging students and unemployed youths as Khadi Mitra/ Khadi Ambassador for selling khadi products

- a) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.) explained the modalities of the scheme on the concept i.e. 'Earn while you learn' or for 'unemployed youth', which could be linked with the nearby Khadi Sales Outlet, franchise by offering discount from profit margin or trade commission from 10 to 40% upon achievements. The margin have to be decided under the scheme.

The Commission granted In-principle approval to submit the draft of the Circular with all modalities for decision before CEO and Chairman, KVIC.

4. Khadi Manthan/Khadi Week concept :

- a) The Dy.CEO (Mktg.) explained the concept for organising Khadi Manthan, in which National KVI Expo of 300 Stalls will be organised, Technical demonstration under S&T to show the new technology will be made, buyer-seller meet will be organised, International level Khadi festival will be organised, which may be sponsored by Raymonds, Arvind Mills and several other organisations. During the week, International Khadi fashion show will be organised, designers will be invited to work with Khadi for Khadi promotion. Besides above, for organising this concept, an Event Management Agency to be engaged.
- b) During the discussions, Expert Member (Mktg.) told the Dy.CEO to submit the issue of Khadi India Kits for Air India, as simple modification is required in it.

After thorough discussions on the proposal, the Commission granted In-principle approval. Commission further directed, not to mention any name in the proposal. The Commission approved the period suggested i.e. 1st Oct. to 15th Oct. 2017, the programme will be organised in the name of 'Khadi Mahotsav' at NOIDA (UP). For organising the programme, In-principle approval for engaging the services of Professional Event Management Agency is approved. Sponsorship may be invited/offered from the reputed organisations/ corporates/ agencies/ institutions. For successfully organising the event at NOIDA, the services of the State Director (Haryana & Punjab) as suggested, may be taken to assign the work.

5. Launching Khadi Products on MyGov

Dy.CEO (NZ/Comm. Cell) informed that while taking the services of 'MyGov' by KGB, New Delhi the agency has offered 7% service charge for marketing. Expert Member (Mktg.) expressed the possibility that we will discuss further with the Agency to reduce the service charge.

The Commission granted In-principle Approval.

	<p>6. <i>Convergence with FSSAI, New Delhi</i> The Commission granted In-principle Approval.</p>
4	<p>Note submitted by Directorate of Administration for approving the result of Union Election through Secret Ballot held on 21.07.2017 and recognizing Khadi Commission Karmachari Union (KCKU) as Union for two years period w.e.f. 21.07.2017 to 20.07.2019.</p>
	<p>The Commission deliberated on the issue and Approved the proposal for granting recognition to Khadi Commission Karmachari Union for 2 years from dated 21.7.2017 to 20.7.2019 based on the Election result.</p>
5	<p>Note submitted by Directorate of Village Industry Coordination to approve the detailed guidelines on introduction of Solar Charkha and Loom technology, producing Vastra by using Solar Charkha and Loom Technology by availing Bank Finance and Marketing of Solar Vastra for bulk supplies and retail sales.</p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon'ble Expert Member (Rural Development) suggested that a separate meeting should be conducted on Village Industries. So that, we could know about the factual position about the programme implemented by the institutions under SFURTI & KRDP and where it has been sanctioned & products are being produced. 2. Hon'ble Member (EZ) also pointed out that the position on the projects recommended/ forwarded by the field offices should be provided, so that they know how much has been sanctioned in their zones. 3. Hon'ble Member (CZ) suggested that in the process of the selection of Institutions for SFURTI programme, the Zonal Members of the Commission should also be consulted. 4. The CEO, KVIC expressed his views that in the next Commission's Meeting, a Power-point presentation on Agri-Cluster will be done. He further informed that some institutions are not cooperating for implementation of the scheme. Hence, there is a need to issue a Circular, which will be issued shortly. <p>The detailed policy with the Financial outlay of Rs. 9511.43 Crores is likely to be placed in the Cabinet. The guidelines proposed in the Cabinet note shall be adopted by the Commission. Therefore, the proposed agenda will be deferred till the approval of the Cabinet.</p>
6	<p>Confirmation of the Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the S.F.C. (2016-17) held on 30.06.2017 at Mumbai.</p>
Decision	<p>The Commission approved the Minutes of 3rd SFC Meeting held on 30.6.2017. Action by : Director (SFC)</p>

7	Any other item with the permission of Chairman.
7.1	In-principle approval for extending 7th Central Pay Commission (CPC) benefits to the employees under 'Trading Establishment' of KVIC.
	The issue for granting In-principle approval for extending 7 th CPC benefits among the employees of 'Trading Establishment' of KVIC was discussed before the Commission and it was decided that the amount required would be partly funded by Govt. of India. This proposal has awaiting approval of the Ministry of MSME. In view of the letter of the Ministry that the entire cost has to be borne by KVIC, It was apprised to the Commission that the funds requirements for implementation of 7 th CPC among trading Estt. Employees, will be met out from the IRG resources/trade margin of trading activities.
Decision	The Commission considered the proposal & decided to implement 7 th CPC benefits among the employees of trading establishment of KVIC. The requirement of funds will be met out from the IRG resources/trade margin of the trading activities under KVIC.
7.2	In-principle approval of the Action Plan for construction of Office-cum-Training complex at Gorakhpur (UP)
	The issue of in-principle approval of the “ Action Plan for construction of Office-cum-Training Complex ” at Gorakhpur (UP) was discussed in the meeting. It was apprised to the Commission that the estimated cost for construction of the building will be Rs. 5.00 Crores approx.
Decision	The Commission granted In-principle approval of the proposal for construction of 'Office-cum-Training Complex' at Gorakhpur, costing Rs. 5.00 Crs. (Rs. Five Crores) approx., as per laid down norms.
	<u>ANNEXURE-II</u>
	<u>OTHER ISSUES :</u>
	Commission Members raised several other issues, which are as under :
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(II)	(a) Shri Ashok Bhagat, Hon'ble Expert Member (Rural Development) expressed that the expertise of the Expert Members should be utilised fully for strengthen of the programmes and activities.
Decision	CEO, KVIC assured the Commission that he will see the latest guidelines prescribed in the matter, if any and take further steps.

(III)	<p>Shri Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Hon'ble Expert Member (Marketing) raised the attention on delay in process of clearing the files, which ultimately affects the speed of the initiatives & decisions. Therefore, maximum 7 days may be fixed for clearing the issue/files and necessary directions should be issued through circular immediately.</p> <p>CEO, KVIC apprised that now these days the files are being received through e-office from one desk to another and normally cleared within a day or two & the details of the receipt/clearing time are also shown in the system. Other such matters, on which policy decision is to be taken, any agreement or Tender is to be issued, proposal is to be submitted for the approval/decision of SFC or Commission, it takes some time as per norms. Therefore, the system of file movement presently is on fast tract and even though necessary guidelines have been issued and also directed at the level of CEO from time to time to avoid delay.</p>
Decision	<p>The Commission decided that all the Officers and Staff may be issued guidelines through Circular for clearing the files/issues in a time bound manner preferably in 7 days.</p>
(IV)	<p>Shri Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Hon'ble Expert Member (Marketing) drawn the attention on the Committee constituted for Product Procurement presently, consisting various level officers as Member. Due to non-presence of outstation members in the meeting or so, the decisions could not be taken timely. He further suggested that if there is compulsion to form such Committees as per the provision under the Act, then OK. Otherwise suitable decision should be taken to speed up the decision & action taken in this regard.</p>
Decision	<p>CEO, KVIC assured that he will see the guidelines and apprise to the Commission.</p>
(V)	<p>Shri Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Hon'ble Expert Member (Marketing) drawn the attention on the delay in payment to those supplying Khadi Institutions by the Khadi Gramodyog Bhawans. He further suggested that maximum 45 days time should be fixed for payment to the Khadi /VI Institutions by the KGBs.</p> <p>Hon'ble Chairman conveyed that he is also of the opinion that the payment to Khadi /VI Institutions/units should be released within 45 days, once their product is sold in the Bhawans. Hon'ble Chairman further informed that there is need to formulate a comprehensive policy on the subject, which will soon be decided after thoroughly review of the working of all Bhawans. Hon'ble Chairman also suggested that there is need to recover penal interest from the employees, who deliberately delayed the payment.</p>

Decision	Commission agreed on the views of the Expert Member and decided to issue guidelines to all Bhawan Managers to release payment of products sold in the K.G.Bhawans to the Institutions/units within 45 days, so that, Khadi/VI institutions/units are not suffered. A detailed policy will be formulated soon.
(VI)	Shri Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Hon'ble Expert Member (Mktg.) suggested that the officers having the Vigilance Cases, shall not be promoted to the level of Dy.CEO, being IIInd position in the hierarchy in the organisation. He further informed that the Commission Officers holding the post of Dy.CEO having vigilance cases against them, shall not be posted in Mumbai & Delhi.
Decision	Commission noted the point raised the Expert Member (Mktg.)
(VII)	Shri Jai Prakash Tomar, Hon'ble Member (CZ) brought to the notice of Commission that the Officers/employees transferred from one place to another and stand relieved by an order, are gone on leave more than 2-3 months without obtaining any approval. Therefore, strict compliance on the orders should be ensured timely, as the over all work of the Commission affects and it has clearly shows the dis-obedience of the orders. Hence, strict administrative action should be initiated against such officers/staff within a time framed manner.
Decision	CEO, KVIC noted the point and assured to take action in the matter.
(VII)	CEO, KVIC brought to the notice of the Commission that after the last Commission's meeting, he received a phone call from the Office of Hon'ble Minister of MSME and he would like to confirm about a decision taken by the Commission on one suspension issue. It is a very serious concern that after the finish of Commission's meeting, someone has shared the decision even before the preparation and finalisation of the Minutes. Shri Jai Prakash Tomar, Hon'ble Member (CZ), Shri Rajendra Pratap Gupta, Hon'ble Expert Member (Mktg.), Ms. Sangeeta Kumari, Hon'ble Member (EZ) also expressed their views that there should be a decorum of the Commission's Meeting and as per the KVIC Act, only Commission's Members shall attend the meeting, as well as concerned Officer & dealing staff of the Commission Cell for assistance. If the Commission feels that any further clarification is required on particular issue/Agenda, the concerned officer may be called inside the meeting hall to explain on the subject only. All other Members were also agreed to follow such decorum in future to maintain secrecy.
Decision	Looking to the seriousness on the subject and to maintain decorum, the Commission unanimously decided that only Commission's Members will attend the meeting and one Officer and a staff of Commission Cell to assist will be present. If any clarification will be required while discussions on Agenda etc., the concerned officer, having detailed information, may be called to explain on specific issue at that time. Otherwise, all other officers/staff will sit outside the Meeting Hall at suitable place.



National Honeybee Day

Organized by Khadi & Village Industries Commission, MoMSME



What is national honeybee day?

On August 19th August' 2017, KVIC celebrate National Honey Bee Day to honor the insect that is responsible more than 1/3 of the food we eat. In addition, honeybee provides income, entrepreneurship and employment to humans.

This event shall involve beekeepers, beekeeping NGOs and Associations, and honey bee enthusiasts from all across the country. We take this opportunity to celebrate honey bees and recognize their contribution to our everyday lives as a means of protecting this critical species for future generations. We also pay homage to beekeepers, whose labors and ensure we

have bees to pollinate our crops.

Why Honeybee day?

Honeybee are needed for a healthy ecosystem.

Honeybee are necessary for a healthy ecosystem as they play very important role in pollination and improve the productivity of Agri & Horti crops including your gardens. Many species of plant and animals are surviving because of these wonderful creature.

Since 1991, due to climate change, habitat loss and increased use of pesticides and various other factors has adversely affected the honeybee population. Hence it is our responsibility to protect this precious insect. There is lots of awareness have been created, but still needs to be done more.

Beekeeping is a profitable business enterprises for farmers, rural & urban youth. It can be very fulfilling hobby. Many commercial beekeepers are doing beekeeping is profitable and meaningful enterprising.





Anyone can become beekeeper

Anybody Can Become A Beekeeper. It makes no difference if you are a man, woman, or younger child, you can become a beekeeper, whether you live in the Big City, the Suburbs, or out in the countryside !

Honeybees are a joy to keep in the backyard simply for their buzzing presence and, on hot days, the smell of honey, wafting through the air within ten feet of the hive. They increase pollination in your yard and therefore increase your yields from fruit trees and vegetables. You may also harvest honey (gallons per year), beeswax, pollen, and propolis from the hive. Your own honey will provide you a tasty treat for your home table as well as a gift for relatives, friends or neighbors. I never knew of anyone to turn down a free

jar of honey !

Your first step is to learn all about honey bees. You need to learn about the three kinds of honey bees that you will find living inside a beehive - the Drone, the Worker and the Queen. Honey bees are highly specialized and a functioning hive needs each of the hive members to perform their job well, or the hive will not survive and prosper. They must work as a team and be willing to sacrifice themselves if need be to keep the hive alive and thriving.

One can make money by Selling Local Honey, Beeswax, Candles, Pollen, Pollination Service, Swarm Catching, Bee Removal Service, etc.

Making some extra money on a regular basis can make a big difference in our everyday lives, besides from simply enjoying the benefits of having your own honey supply, there are a number of ways to make money by keeping honey bees.

Eventually build up to have few extra hives you can produce, honey, rent them locally to farmers growing crops that are pollinated by honey bees. The normal rate for the rental of one hive for a couple of weeks Rs. 500 to Rs. 1000 per hive.

Other opportunities are:

- Selling your excess honey from home or at small local market. You can get





a higher price than what it is sold for in your nearby supermarket because it is locally produced honey. Many people believe that eating local honey is very helpful to reducing the negative effects of allergies as it has minute particles of pollen in it from flowers in the area.

- Excess beeswax can be used to make candles. Package them attractively wrapped by the pair with an attractive ribbon. These can be sold to friends and neighbors or through a local store.

- You can melt beeswax and make small bars of pure beeswax. Some people also use as a lubricant for the bottom rails of cub boards and drawers. You can molds and use these to make any number of beeswax knickknacks.

- Some women beekeepers collect pollen from the bees to sell in jars as a health food. The equipment to do this is available at any number of beekeeping equipment supply companies.

- Another big opportunity, if you are so inclined to make yourself available to deal with swarms of bees, it will be double income for beekeeper. The local fire-police towns know that they can give your phone number out whenever they get a call from

a local citizen about a swarm being in a tree or bush on their property.

- Removing bees from inside house walls or ceilings affords a great opportunity to add to one's income as a beekeeper. Collect a healthy swarm and bring it home to start a new beehive relatively free of cost. Honey bees are sold by beekeepers for about Rs. 2, 000 per grown colony 8/10 frame colony.

Life in the Hive

Life in the hive is structured: at each stage of a honey bee's life it has a different job. There is an order to the way the colony is run to ensure its survival.

How many types of bee are in a honey bee colony? Three - a single queen, thousands of female workers and, in the summer, hundreds of male drones. The drone bees do no work and, in the early autumn, they are evicted by the workers and die.

What does the queen bee do? The major purpose of the queen is to lay eggs. During February and May, she lays day and night, each egg taking about 20 seconds. That's over 2000 eggs a day, more than her own body weight. The queen mates only once and holds sufficient sperm from the male drones to lay eggs for 3-5 years. The drone bee dies



in the process of fertilization.

There are three types of wax cell used for eggs. In smaller cells (5 mm diameter) the queen lays fertilized eggs, which in 21 days develop into female worker bees. In larger cells (7 mm diameter) unfertilized eggs are laid, which in 24 days become the male drone bees. The production of offspring that does not require mating is known as parthenogenesis. The third type of cell is a very special cell that hangs vertically downwards, which is developed to produce new queens. A colony producing queen-type cells is a warning to the beekeeper of an impending swarm.



colony provides a controversial start to thinking about the structure of societies.

- The tools that have evolved on the limbs and mouthparts of bees are neat examples of adaptation and engineering.

- The harvest from honey bees of honey, pollen, wax and propolis has nutritional, craft, manufacturing, and medical applications.

- Pollination by bees is important for genetic sustainability. Genes that have evolved in other animals are important to our future too.

- In the India 50 crops are dependent on, or benefit from, visits from bees. In addition, bees pollinate the flowers of many plants which become part of feed for farm animals.

- Bees are in danger of disappearing from our environment. Farming practices continue to disturb natural habitats and forage of solitary and bumblebees at a rate which gives them little chance for re-establishment. The honey bee is under attack from the varroa mite and it is only the treatment and care provided by beekeepers that is keeping colonies alive. Most wild honey bee colonies have died out as a result of this disease.

- Attitudes to bees must change and a new generation needs to be educated



Importance of Bees

What we can learn from bees?

Studying bees adds significantly to the wider education of pupils. For example:

- Bees are pollinators vital to our food chain. One third of the food we eat would not be available but for bees.

- Bees, like other insects, are part of a food chain.

- The social life of the honey bee



about the value of bees and the threats to their existence.

A healthy queen bee is continually emitting pheromones (a bee perfume) that only the bees in the hive can smell. These pheromone odors tell the bees in the colony that the queen is still with them and all is well in the hive. This chemical pheromone communication is quite sophisticated and the 'personality' of a beehive will change if the beekeeper changes an old queen for a young one. In this way a beekeeper has some control over the temper and other characteristics of a colony, e.g. honey production.

Does the queen 'rule' the colony? No, the queen is simply an egg-laying machine. The queen bee has a smaller brain than a worker bee.

Queen making and swarming

- Bees construct up to 20 wax queen cells, which are acorn-like and point downwards.

- The queen lays fertilized eggs in each queen cell.

- The young (nurse) bees feed the young queen larvae with a rich creamy

food called royal jelly, and extend the cell downwards until it is about 25mm in length.

- Nine days after the egg is laid, the first queen cell is sealed with a layer of wax capping.

- This is the signal for a large swarm (called a prime swarm) of bees, including the queen, to leave the hive led by the older bees. The queen has been starved of food to make her lighter and able to fly. The older bees cajole the queen to join the swarm.

- Eight days later the first virgin queen leaves her cell. Two things can now occur, either the first virgin queen leads a smaller swarm from the hive (called a cast swarm) or she locates the other queen cells and kills her sisters by stinging through the wax wall of their cells.

- About one week later the young queen takes her first flight to orientate her to her new surroundings.

- The queen will shortly take several mating flights in which she will mate with up to 20 drones.

- Three days later the mated queen will begin to lay fertilized eggs.

- This queen will stay with the colony





until at least the following year when she too may lead a prime swarm.

How do bees make a queen? The development of a new queen is normally triggered by a combination of conditions, such as congestion in the hive and lack of egg-laying space, which culminates in a swarm

Why is there only one queen? It is not understood (by man) why bees will only tolerate one queen but any attempt to introduce a second queen results in her death. If a queen dies unexpectedly during the summer, the bees are able to make an emergency queen from eggs younger than 3 days old.

How long does a bee live? In the summer a worker bee only lives for about 40 days. As no young are raised over the winter months, the workers born in the autumn will live until the following spring. A queen can live up to five years; however for the beekeeper a queen is past her prime in her third year.

How do bees share out all the jobs in the hive?

When a bee is born, its first job is to clean out the cell in which she was born. Jobs are then allocated on the basis of age.

Duties of Worker Bees

1-2 days - Cleans cells and keeps the brood warm

3-5 days - Feeds older larvae

6-11 days - Feeds youngest larvae

12-17 days - Produces wax, builds comb, carries food, undertaker duties

18-21 days - Guards the hive entrance

22+ days - Flying from hive begins, pollinates plants, collects pollen, nectar and water.

How many bees are in a beehive? In high summer about 35,000, dropping to around 5,000 in the winter.

Why do honey bees swarm? A swarm is the natural way for bees to multiply and to produce new colonies. It is normally the culmination of queen rearing.

What is bee 'dancing'?

Bees need to communicate with each other to pass on the location of food sources. To do this bees have evolved a unique dance language that can be understood by us. A worker bee returning from a rich source of food will 'dance' on the vertical comb surface by running in a circle, on each revolution the bee will bisect the circle at an angle.





The angle with respect to 12 o'clock represents the angle to fly with respect to the sun. If the bee ran from 6 to 12 o'clock, i.e. straight up, this would say 'fly directly towards the sun'. If 7 to 1 o'clock, it would mean 'fly just to the right of the sun' and 12 to 6 o'clock 'fly directly away from the sun'. In other words the bees translate the angle to the sun as an angle to the vertical.

To represent the distance to the food source, the bee 'wiggles' its abdomen whilst crossing the circle, the more wiggles indicate the greater the distance. So a bee will 'say' to its friends 'fly over there for about a 1 mile and you will find something that tastes like this'. Pretty smart!

The Queen:

- Will live normally between 1 and 4 years.
- Consumes royal jelly provided by the workers
- Has a non-barbed stinger
- Without a queen, the colony will eventually die
- Develops in 16 days, from egg to emergence from the queen cell.

The Workers:

- Worker are all females.
- Can number between 40-60,000 in a strong hive.
- Performs a multitude of tasks to include: Tending to the queen, feeding larvae, feeding drones, nectar ripening, producing heat, collecting water, house cleaning guard duty, field collection of pollen and nectar, to list a few.
- Will die if she stings. Has a barbed stinger that if left behind after stinging.
- Will live 6-8 weeks in the summer, working until her wings give out.
- Will live 4-6 months in winter when not actively working/foraging.
- Develops in 21 days from egg to emergence.

The Drones:

- Sole responsibility is fertilization.
- Leaves hive for 2-3 hours each day.
- Has no stinger
- If the workers stopped feeding them, they would die of starvation.
- Develops in 24 days from egg to hatching to emergence.



KVIC creates history, gives a Khadi Franchise Showroom to Navi Mumbai residents

By Chandrabhakar Hande
VASHI: Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), in yet another initiative created a history by giving a Khadi Franchise Showroom to the people of Navi Mumbai by opening its another Chain of Franchisee Showroom.

Planned to inform over this latest success of



venture, KVIC Chairman Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena said, "It is our mission to make Khadi available at every step for sale. This franchisee inaugurated here today is another step in this direction. We are planning to bring up a robust sales network in every town, District and city. The response is very encouraging. We have received interest in franchisee sale from major metro cities like Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Pondicherry, Goa, and Kolkata and even for Dubai for KHAADI INDIA outlets." He further said "Due to the support of our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi who

has been championing cause of Khadi through 'Maan Ki Baat' the demand of Khadi has been surging between the sales of Khadi during 2016-17 rose to Rs. 2005 crores from a figure of Rs. 1510 crores in the previous year which is 33% increase. The total KVI total crore of the sector is an astounding figure of Rs. 51997 crores making it

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With PM as face of khadi, sales up by 89%

Times News Network

New Delhi: Residents may be celebrating of moderate sales growth, but khadi seems to be fuelled by the extraordinary...

The sale of khadi products including garments and footwear - shot up over 89% to Rs 614 crore during April-September 2017, compared to Rs 400 crore a year ago, showing a growth from PM Narendra...

Mo迪 in his monthly radio broadcast 'Maan Ki Baat' for transcending the lives of weavers.



PM's LEGACY

"I can imagine how many weaver families, poor families, and the families working on handlooms must have benefit...

enthusiasm. We should create... Modi has emerged as a brand ambassador of khadi... Khadi sales growth over the last few years. The combined sales of khadi and village industries...

Khadi made a huge impact in the lives of artisans

By Vinay Saxena, of the sector... Khadi made a huge impact in the lives of artisans... The Khadi India Franchise Showroom in Navi Mumbai... Khadi India Franchise Showroom... Khadi India Franchise Showroom... Khadi India Franchise Showroom...

KVIC creates...

one of the very large supply base in the country. We have a vision of increasing Khadi production by 5 times reaching a target of 6000 crores in the next 3 years which would also generate an additional estimated employment up to around 2 million.

On the other hand, Ms. Sarve Banu says, "Retail is a new vertical started by Design Aricoz of which Khadi India store in New Mumbai is the first and subsequently few more stores we plan to open both in the country and abroad." Sarve has been associated with KVIC

for almost 15 years as a designer and has won many awards for KVIC for designing various events and exhibitions and most recently designed the tableau for KVIC at Rajpath on 26th January. Her love and passion for khadi has given her the urge to start this store.

The retail shop of the Franchisee at the Franchisee Premises will sell only the Products approved by KVIC and not sell any products which do not bear Khadi Mark Regulations, 2013 issued by Khadi and Village Industries Commission.

Apiculture: KVIC plans to create 50,000 jobs for farmers, tribals

Under a centrally funded project at the request of the Government of Karnataka... KVIC plans to create 50,000 jobs for farmers, tribals... KVIC will provide technical support and training to the farmers and tribals... KVIC will provide financial support to the farmers and tribals...

Khadi Fest 2017 inaugurated at Vile Parle

Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, Chairman Khadi & V.I. Commission (KVIC) inaugurated 'KHADI FEST-2017' an exhibition of KVI products at Irla Road Vile Parle, Mumbai today. The Chairman in his address, said that Khadi had been spreading its wings in all directions for creating maximum job opportunities for the artisans. "Since sanitation and Khadi was close to Mahatma Gandhi's heart, the KVIC is all set to take his legacy forward," he said, adding, "We have also taken up the call of Prime Minister's call of 'Sweet Revolution' very seriously and we are trying to give a major push to our 'Honey Mission' in the coming days. It was the initiatives and appeals made by our Prime Minister - who is himself the latest USP of Khadi - that Khadi has now become a fashion trend among the youths," he said, adding, "Even the results speak. The previous governments could increase the sale by 70 percent in 10-odd years, but we enhanced it to 90 percent."



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A Khadi courtesy

Khadi is a fabric that is not just a fabric, it is a heritage... Khadi is a fabric that is not just a fabric, it is a heritage... Khadi is a fabric that is not just a fabric, it is a heritage...

Khadi Lounge India inaugurated at Jawahar Chowk

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Khadi fabric sold through KVIC stores will be exempted from GST: Arun Jaitley



The GST Council on Sept 9 met for 21st time to discuss some of the issues after the implementation of GST. Addressing the media after the meeting, Jaitley said, "The GST Council has decided to exempt Khadi Fabric from GST if it is sold through KVIC stores." The council has also decided to extend the last date for filing of sales return or GSTR-1 by a month to Oct 10.

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खादी कपड़ा के कारोबार को मिलेगा बढ़ावा

केन्द्रीय खादी बोर्ड द्वारा विक्रय के माध्यम से



खादी कपड़ा के कारोबार को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सरकार ने GST कौशल को खाल से छूट देना फैसला किया है। यह फैसला 9 अक्टूबर को हुए GST परिषद के बैठक में लिया गया था। खादी कपड़ा के कारोबार को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सरकार ने GST कौशल को खाल से छूट देना फैसला किया है। यह फैसला 9 अक्टूबर को हुए GST परिषद के बैठक में लिया गया था।

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असम : कर्मियों को फ्री में मिलेंगे खादी के कपड़े

असम के हर सरकारी कर्मचारी को मुफ्त में खादी के दो जोड़ी कपड़े दिए जाएंगे। इन कपड़ों को महीने में कम से कम एक दिन पहन कर दफ्तर आना होगा। असम के शिक्षा, स्वास्थ्य, वित्त एवं पर्यटन मंत्री डा. हिमंत विश्व शर्मा ने गांधी जयंती पर यह घोषणा की।

परिवर्तनासाठी खादीचा वापर



यंदा दिवाळीमध्ये खादीची मागणी ९० टक्केपेक्षांनी वाढली. गांधी जयंतीला खादीचा वापर करण्याचे आवाहन नेहमी करण्यात येते. खाद्या चांगला परिणाम दिसत आहे. धनतेरसवेळी दिल्लीतील खादी भांडाराने विक्रमी १.२ कोटी रुपयांची विक्री केली. राष्ट्रासाठी खादी वापरा, असे आवाहन यापूर्वी केले जात होते. मात्र, आता खादी जागा परिवर्तनासाठी खादीने घेतली असल्याचे मोदी म्हणाले

तीनों सेनाओं को जल्द मिलेगी खादी की वर्दी

एजेन्सी, नई दिल्ली

केंद्र सरकार ने तीनों सेनाओं को खादी के कपड़ों में बनाने की दिशा में प्रयास शुरू कर दिया है। रक्षा मंत्रालय ने इस संबंध में आयोग को खाल से कुछ नमूने भी भेजे हैं। जागतिक, सरकार अपने इस प्रयास से खादी एवं हम उद्योग आयोग को और भर्जवृत्ति प्रदान करना चाहती है। केंद्र की मंशा है कि आयोग द्वारा सेना की वर्दी के लिए खादी का कपड़ा बनाकर अपना व्यापार बढ़ाए।



पूरी करने को तैयार है। उन्होंने कहा कि रक्षा मंत्रालय को जो कपड़ा वर्दी के लिए चाहिए होगा, वो हम पहले से ही तैयार करते चले आ रहे हैं। इससे पहले हम सेना के लिए भेजे तैयार करते थे। आज की तारीख में आयोग ऑपरेशनल और एग्जीक्यूटिव सहित कई बड़े सार्वजनिक उपक्रम के ऑर्डर पूरे कर रहा है।

हर सामान के GST रेट की जानकारी बिल में नहीं देनी पड़ेगी

इंटी, नई दिल्ली: रिटेल कंपनियों को गुड्स एंड सर्विसेज टैक्स (जीएसटी) के तहत हर आइटम की डिटेल् के साथ लंबा बिल नहीं देना पड़ेगा। इससे इन कंपनियों पर बिलिंग और कंप्लायंस का बोझ कम होगा। जिन चीजों पर शून्य जीएसटी है, उनके लिए भी रिटेल कंपनियों को अलग से इनवॉइस देने की जरूरत नहीं है और वे सभी चीजों के लिए एक ही बिल दे सकती हैं। जीएसटी काउंसिल ने इन बदलावों को मंजूरी दे दी है। स्टेकहोल्डर्स की मांग पर एक लॉ कमेटी बनाई गई थी, जिससे

मिले सुझाव के आधार पर यह फैसला हुआ है। इन दोनों बदलावों से रिटेल कंपनियों के लिए इनवॉइस और फाइलिंग आसान हो जाएगी। वे सभी सामान के लिए एक बिल दे सकती हैं और उसमें सिर्फ कुल टैक्स के बारे में बताना होगा। इससे उन्हें लंबे बिल देने से आजादी मिलेगी। पहले

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इन कंपनियों को सभी आइटम का अलग-अलग जिक्र करना होता था और उन सबकी कीमत और टैक्स की जानकारी देनी पड़ती थी।

