GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF TEXTILES

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1754**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2018

**CENSUS OF WEAVERS AND HANDLOOMS**

1754 SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

1. whether the Ministry has selected any agency for census and issue of Photo Identity Card (ID) for weavers and handlooms;
2. if so, the detailed timeline thereof;
3. when are the results of census going to be released; and
4. the reasons for delay in coming out with a census of weavers and handlooms?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES

(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

**(a) to (d):** M/s Karvy Data Management Services Limited, Hyderabad has been selected by the Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms for conducting fourth Nationwide Census for Handloom and issue of Photo Identity Cards to Handloom weavers. Work was awarded to agency on 4th January 2017 with timeline of one year. Enumeration work is at final stage of completion by seeking cooperation of the State Governments in identifying the left out Handloom pockets, if any. 100% validation of enumerated data through respective State is also under progress, before final publication of the report.

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