

Textiles Minister inaugurates Apparel and Garment Making Unit in Tripura

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INVC NEWS New Delhi, The Union Textiles Minister Santosh Kumar Gangwar inaugurated the Apparel and Garment Making unit in Bodhjungnagar Industrial Growth Centre, in Agartala today. The Minister said that the Apparel Units in the North East are a significant step towards the Make in India Initiative of the Government. Shri Gangwar said that when 'Make in India' was conceived to make the country a manufacturing destination, it was decided that the potential of the NER, which is a stronghold of handlooms and traditional textiles, may be tapped for ready-made garment industry. He said that the project for Apparel & Garment Making Units was conceived in this background. The Minister said that this was the first organized effort to bring modern ready-made garment industry in North East. He said that it will be possible to realize the goals of Make in India, when our people have entrepreneurial abilities and our workforce has necessary skills. Shri Gangwar said that the apparel center will serve both purposes. The project will develop entrepreneurship through various capacity building measures and also train the people to work efficiently on high-end garment machines. It will help to develop an ecosystem which will trigger further investments and employment in the state. The Minister said that this growth will have to be facilitated through enabling policies and programmes. He said that the state Government has a crucial role to play in this regard. The Minister expressed confidence that the growth of garment industry in Tripura will provide a fillip to traditional sectors like handlooms, handicrafts and silk. He said that a convergence among different schemes is important to achieve the holistic development of the textile sector in NER. Shri Gangwar thanked the Chief Minister of Tripura and all agencies, such as NBCC, for completing the work in such a short span of time. The Minister added that people are now looking at North East for work and quality products. He said that the goods manufactured in North East are of high quality and that goods produced there are meant not only for North Eastern India but also for all over India and worldwide. The Textiles Minister said that a lot of people are now showing keen interest in the North East, given the huge scope and avenues the region offers. The inaugural programme was also attended by Chief Minister of Tripura Shri.Manik Sarkar; State Industries and Commerce Minister Shri Tapan Chakraborty; Union Textiles Secretary Smt. Rashmi Verma, and Chief Secretary of Tripura Shri Y P Singh. The Union Textiles Minister also laid the foundation stone for the Hostel for Trainees in Bamboo and Cane Development Institute in Lichubagan, Agartala today.

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