

Department of Handicrafts, Textile & Coir

Vision Document For 2020 To 2025

The Department of Handicrafts, Textiles and Coir envisages catalyzing economic growth through accelerated Handicrafts Textile and Coir development.

Objective:-

The mission is to create sustainable employment opportunities to the marginalized social strata such as women, SC, ST, OBC, Differently abled persons, school drop-outs and such village artisans who have rendered jobless due to entry of substitute products, market competition or closure of Village Industry or unemployment due to closure of mining activity. This Department aims at reviving handicrafts and make more market oriented so as to help the artisans to earn lively-hood by engaging in handicrafts activity.

Short Term Goals

1. Training courses:-Impart training in various kinds of short term courses like cookery course, artificial flower making, artificial jewelry making etc. which were never conducted by this Department earlier by obtaining the approval of the Government.
2. Training courses at 36 locations:- Department intends to conduct 4 months training courses in various handicrafts trades under the Vishwakarma Kaushal Yojana and Swavalamban Yojana for the needy section population of the state with a target of training 720 candidates. training would be conducted at 3 locations in each taluka.
3. Organize workshops in Higher Secondary Schools:- it is proposed to organize workshops in various handicrafts trades for higher secondary school children who are undergoing training in vocational courses like Commercial Garment and Dress Making and also for the students who are not able to clear the XI and HSSC exam.
4. Organizing training for Self Help Groups:- this Department intends to impart training in various handicrafts trades for the Self Help Groups so as to help them earn livelihood.

5. Budgetary provisions for the Swavalamban Scheme:- the budgetary provisions will be made for the next financial year for the implementation of the swavalamban Yojana scheme which is recently approved by the Government.

Medium Term Goals

1. District Level Centres:- the Department proposes to set up one permanent centre in each District of the state where the training courses in different handicrafts trade would be imparted throughout the year and can be a permanent centre for exhibition at district level.
2. Taluka level Centres:- it is proposed to set up a taluka level centre in all the talukas of the state where the training would be imparted to the needy and interested artisans in various handicrafts trades as and when required. It is also proposed to make these centres as exhibition oriented centres by exhibiting/ displaying the handicrafts items produced during training and also produced by the other handicrafts artisans.
3. Tie-up with other Government and Non-Government Organizations:- this Department proposes to make tie-ups with the Government and Non-Government Organizations in the state as well as outside the state for marketing the handicrafts items and for imparting the training in various handicrafts trade. This will also help to bring in the new technology and modern machinery in the state. It will also give boost to explore new ideas and technique to be introduced in centres.
4. Amendments in the existing scheme:- the Department proposes to make amendments in the existing Vishwakarma Kaushal Yojana Scheme by including the provisions for creating employment opportunities to the trained handicrafts artisans.
5. Empanelment of the Handicrafts Artisans:- this Department proposed to empanel/ register the handicrafts artisans of the state with this Department so that they can be provided with the benefits of pension schemes, medical endurance, life insurance and other schemes sponsored by the central Government.

Long Term Goals

1. Improvement in the infrastructure:- the Department proposes to repair and renovate the training centres and procure new and modern equipments and machineries in all the handicrafts trade. It is proposed to procure two coir defibering machineries, one for North Goa and other for South Goa so as to utilize the abundant availability of coconut husk.
2. Goa Handicrafts Rural and Small Scale Industries Development Corporation GHRSSIDC:- this Department intends to bring the corporation under the control of this Department so as to streamline the marketing of the handicrafts items produced by the handicrafts artisans.
3. Formation of Clusters and societies:- it is further proposed to train the handicrafts artisans in various handicrafts trades and promote them to continue the handicrafts activity for making production by forming their clusters and societies. By forming the clusters the artisans can avail the benefits of the various centrally sponsored schemes like SFURTI, ASPIRE etc.
4. Online courses:- Department also intend to start its portal and start online courses of specific period in various fields.
5. Village level training:- it is intended to train at least one person from each house belonging to socially backward classis of the society, widow, housewives, school dropouts, physically disabled etc. in any kind of handicrafts trade the person is interested in so that self employment can be generated at the village level.

Strategic Planning

Department has already sent a proposal for obtaining the government administrative approval and financial sanction to conduct the training courses at 36 locations. The applications are received from the interested candidates requesting to conduct training in various handicrafts trades. The budgetary requirements are proposed for financial year 2021-22 for implementing the Swavalamban Yojana Scheme.

Negotiations will be held with the Collector North and Collector South for setting u p the district and taluka level training and exhibition centres. The Department has already registered the handloom weavers with the e- commerce portal for marketing of handloom items and will also approach to the Weaver's

Service Centre for advanced training and design development. The Department will send a proposal for empanelment of the handicrafts artisans of the state.

Department has already started the process of land acquisition, identifying the handicrafts products and making required arrangements for the formation of the handicrafts and coir cluster under SFURTI Scheme. The proposal for bringing the GHRSSIDC under the control of the Department of Handicrafts Textile & Coir is in progress.

Action Plan

This Department has already started taking the initiatives to accomplish the short, medium and long term goals and the said foals would be achieved within the given timeline