

The Ministry of Textiles, Government of India vide resolution dated 29th February 2016 announced the guidelines for the Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS). Some of the salient features of the guidelines are given below:-

1	The plan period will be from 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2016 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022
2	Units registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or Companies Act, 2013 or Companies (Amendment) Act, 2015 or as per the provisions in the amendments of the said Acts with the Registrar of the Companies, which have an acknowledgement of IEM with DIPP or units which are registered with the concerned Directorates of the State Government showing the activity for which the unit is registered will only be eligible under the Scheme (Point No. 4.1.1)
3	A-TUFS benefit is available for the benchmarked under the scheme covering the following activities; (Point No. 2.5)
I.	Weaving, weaving preparatory and knotting
II.	Processing of fibres, yarns, fabrics, garments and made-ups
III.	Technical Textiles
IV.	Garment/made-up manufacturing
V.	Handloom sector
VI.	Silk sector
VII.	Jute sector
4	No second hand machinery is permitted (Point No. 4.2.1)
5	Accessories / attachments / sample machines / spares along with the machinery upto a value of 20% of the machinery cost eligible (Point No. 4.2.2)
6	Machinery eligible for one segment is eligible for other segment(s) / activity(ies) also unless its eligibility is specifically restricted for a particular segment / activity (Point No. 4.2.3)
7	Eligibility of any other textile machinery not notified by Textile Commissioner for the year as on 1 <sup>st</sup> April may also be included subsequently on the recommendation of TAMC, if considered essential (Point No. 4.2.4)
8	The eligible (other than spinning) applicant who got the loan sanctioned within one year under RRTUFS but not applied for UID before the midnight of 12.01.2016 would be required to upload UID applications into the Textile Commissioner's server using i-ATUFS software as per the prescribed format of A-TUFS Scheme. This application will be considered within six months from the date of issuance of this resolution upto 12.07.2016 on first-come-first-served basis and subject to the availability of the budgetary provisions (Point No. 4.6.5)
9	The capital investment subsidy under A-TUFS will be released in full in one go on eligible investment, only after satisfactory installation / commissioning and commencement of production (Point No. 4.5.1)
10	Coverage of investment prior to sanction of the term loan is eligible (Point No. 4.7)
11	The term loan sanction for availing the benefit of the scheme should not be for less than three years including moratorium period for SSI units and not less than 5 years of other categories (Point No. 5.2.1)
12	To prevent misutilisation of subsidy, it is expected that the unit should atleast function for the

	minimum period of term loan specified above (Point No. 5.2.2)
13	Transferring the A-TUFS loan from one lending agency to another lending agency is allowed only once subject to the condition that portpolio remains unchanged (Point No. 5.4)
14	Red and yellow alerts will be sent to the concerned officers in the Office of the Textile Commissioner in case the application is not attended in-time (Point No. 6.3.2.9)

The process flow chart of implementation and monitoring mechanism is attached. The full guidelines of ATUFS can be downloaded from

<http://texmin.nic.in/sites/default/files/Guidelines%20of%20ATUFS%20.pdf>