

Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) is the scheme of the Ministry of MSME, Government of India, which focuses on the sustainable livelihood of artisans in Cluster mode.

ITCOT as the 'Technical Agency' under SFURTI of Coir Board, Ministry of MSME has implemented coir clusters in various locations of Tamil Nadu which are in commercial production. ITCOT's services cover the entire spectrum of cluster development starting with diagnostic study, preparation of DPR, facilitation of approvals and providing complete support for CFC construction including tender management.

Shri Nithin Gadkari, Hon'ble Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India has inaugurated the following 8 clusters in Tamil Nadu through video conference on February 22, 2021.

S.No	Name of the Cluster	Product / Activity	Project Cost [₹ in lakhs]
1	Ethamozhi Coir Cluster, Kanyakumari District	Coir Fibre Brooms Brushes Coir Buffing wheels	199.56
2	Pollachi Coir Cluster, Coimbatore District	Coir PVC Tufted Mats Coir Geo-textiles 650 gr. Coir Pith Blocks Coco Pith Discs Pith Grow Bags	888.68
3	Dindigul Coir Cluster, Dindigul District	120 Kg. Baling Press Grow Bags 5 kg. Pith Blocks 650 gm. Pith Blocks CoCo Pith Discs	389.62
4	Tirunelveli Coir Cluster, Tirunelveli District	Two Ply Yarn Spinning Geo-textiles Grow Bags 5 kg. Pith Blocks 650 gm. Pith Blocks Coco Chips Cutting Coco logs Coir Pith Compost	351.09

5	Dharmapuri District Coir Cluster, Dharmapuri District	5 Kg. Pith Blocks Grow Bags 650 gm. Pith Blocks	203.50
6	Mettur Coir Mat Consortium P. Ltd, Salem District	Coir PVC Tufted Mats Model Green house	412.66
7	Madurai Coir Cluster, Madurai District	Needle felt based Coir composite Panels Coir Wood Furniture Garden articles Coir Handicrafts	477.72
8	Salem Steel & Wooden Furniture Cluster, Salem	Modular Kitchen Home Furnishings	174.10

Out of the 8 clusters, 7 clusters have been implemented under SFURTI Scheme of Coir Board and 1 Cluster (Salem Steel and Wooden Furniture Cluster, Sarkar Kollapatty) has been implemented under SFURTI Scheme of KVIC.

The total project cost of all the 8 clusters is ₹ **30.97 crores** and the Government of India grant is ₹ **22.54 crores**. Around **15,000** artisans are benefitted from the interventions.