

# Initiatives of EPCH under Cluster Development Programme Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI)

## Skill Up-gradation Training on Modern Machinery

Traditional Dress Making Cluster, Moran, Assam; 1<sup>st</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Kiran NGO, the Implementing Agency of Traditional Dress Making Cluster, Moran, Assam, in association with Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts and Indian Institute of Entrepreneurs, conducted a training program on Skill Development from 01/02/2022 to 15/02/2022 at Readymade Garments Weaving Cluster, Moran. In total 40 participants were present during the entire 15 days training. Moon Phukan, was engaged as a Master Trainer for the Program. Mr. Kime Kapa Tari, Designer, EPCH provided handholding and design support to the cluster artisans. Ms Amla Srivastava also joined in one virtual session and interacted with the cluster artisans and shared knowledge on development of diversified products in the cluster.

The major objective of the training was to enable the artisans to use modern machines and to make the participants



use cost effective improved technology for increase in productivity. The course content of the training was to acknowledge the artisans with the knowledge of spare parts and machinery implication of jacquard, warping and winding machine (pirn and bobbin). In the process, new products were also developed allowing the artisans to use modern looms. ■

## Design Development Program

Woven Textile and Garment Making Cluster,  
Imphal West, Manipur; 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Philanthropic Organization, in association with EPCH (Technical Agency) organised a program on Design Development at Woven Textile and Garment Manufacturing Cluster, Imphal West from 10th to 12th February 2022. During the training, Ms. Surjamala Maibam, Designer, EPCH, interacted with the cluster artisans and shared new designs with them. Mr. Tangkeshwar, Secretary IA, Miss Pushparani, CDE, along with 20 artisans were present during the training.

The primary objective was to guide artisans and also share with them, designs prepared by the designers from EPCH to give the best possible product quality for both production and marketability. The artisans were made aware about the present trend of design in the market and also to have a clear design process in order to create products as relevant as possible.



*The program in progress with Ms. Surjamala Maibam, Designer, EPCH, interacting with the cluster artisans and sharing new designs with them*

A Cluster Development Project was sanctioned under SFURTI by Ministry of MSME during FY 2020-21. Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) is the Nodal Agency and EPCH is the Technical Agency of the project. One production center in the form of Common Facility Centre (CFC) and modern looms and machineries has been sanctioned in the project. ■