

### **Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS), a component of NHDP:**

Govt. of India announced Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS) to meet the needs of handloom weavers for assistance on larger Scale for loom and accessories.

It aims to provide financial assistance for technological up-gradation to improve quality of the fabric and productivity. Under HSS, financial assistance to the extent of 90% of cost of Technological up-gradation item be borne by the Govt. of India while remaining 10% shall be borne by the beneficiary.

A list of beneficiaries shall be prepared by the weavers service Centre concerned in association with the implementing Agency and State Directorate of Handlooms concerned. Looms/ accessories shall be given only to those weavers who have undergone training in weaving in last 2 years under various Govt. programmes, including Block Level Clusters and are willing to contribute 10% of the cost.

### **Progress achieved under HSS:**

- Out of the (8) Block Level Clusters sanctioned under NHDP, for (6) Block level Clusters the amounts were released under technology upgradation component directly to the Implementing Agencies of Clusters. So far an amount of **Rs.30.195 lakhs** has been transferred to the NHDC under the HSS component by the Implementing Agencies towards supply of requisite looms & accessories to the (6) Block Level Clusters in the 1<sup>st</sup> installment funds under NHDP.
  
- In the (2) Block Level Clusters, an amount of **Rs.24.165 lakhs** has been sanctioned and Rs.11.25 lakhs has been released directly to the weaver service centre, Hyderabad by the GOI under Hathkargha Samvardhan Sahayata (HSS) towards supply of looms & accessories to Bhoodan Pochampally BLC under 1<sup>st</sup> installment funds released by the GOI under NHDP Scheme.