Analyse the Profits of Handloom Products and Promoting Handloom Sector of Bishnupur District, Manipur

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ABSTRACT

In a developing nation like India, the handloom industry is significant. It's one of the most significant economic operations that directly employs people. The handloom industry is classified as a small-scale industry. The handloom industry may be labor-intensive and situated in rural areas. Therefore, it helps rural residents become economically independent, and rural industrialization through the handloom sector may be a crucial necessity. Manipuri hand-woven clothing is highly sought after in both domestic and international markets for its artistic beauty and practicality. It's necessary to enhance the satisfaction level of handloom customers, this study attempts to analyse the profits of handloom products and promoting handloom sector are identified in order that mobilisationare often finished promoting it as a livelihood activity.

KEYWORDS: Productivity, Profitability, Handloom Weaver

INTRODUCTION

Incredible craftsmen have a long history in India's handloom industry. Over 3 lakh weavers are directly and indirectly employed by it. This industry contributes to roughly 22% of the total amount of clothing made in the nation and significantly increases export revenue. There was a wide variety of ethnic groups in the weaving community, and the elegance and pattern of the weaving reflected their caste and communal identities. Making garments for the family has long been a common activity for women. In Manipur, weavers were typically employed to help with family duties and earn money. This included taking care of youngsters, cleaning, cooking, collecting, water, shopping etc. Most of the ladies are working as a neighborhood time job. Although, it can positive a task for providing livelihood to an outsized section especially in economically weaker section of the society.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

A review of Handloom Export Units in India Prof. (Dr.) Kuldeep Singh and Dr. Monika Bansal. Handloom sector providing direct employment to over 65 lakh persons engaged in weaving and allied activities. Nearly 19 percent of all cloth produced in the nation is contributed by this industry, which also significantly boosts export revenue. Girls make up a very large portion of the handloom industry's workforce, however Sundari 1989 (2) found that the majority of them sleep in conditions that are below the poverty line. Low earnings, unstable employment, and a lack of skills are the reasons the author highlighted for living below the poverty line. He urged that the government take a significant role in helping the women of those people.

Shri Mutua Bahadur (1997) (3) in his Monograph entitled traditional Textile of Manipur has clearly expressed about the extra-ordinaries of textiles in Manipur. The unique quality of textiles is their indigenous nature. They are skillfully spun, woven, and embroidered by Manipuri women, each of which depicts a symbolic and practical importance. He has provided a commendable account of the weft-woven patterns, including those used in needlework, embroidery, tie-dye, and other handicrafts. He clearly explains that Manipur began employing the Loin Loom and the Throw Shuttle Loom before the Christian era and the eleventh century, respectively. The Myths, Costume, Materials, Vegetable Dye, Tools, Implement and Technique, Weft-woven Design, Needle Work Embroidery, Tie and Dye Design and Color Scheme, etc. were all thoroughly covered in this book.

The various issues the handloom industry faced were explored at the all-India handloom conference held in New Delhi in 1993 (4). The conference's delegates recommended that the government continue to reserve products, limit the assembly of facility looms, and provide regular supplies of yarn to weavers at reduced prices through marketing centers. For the handloom industry and to increase yarn production, more spinning mills need be built.

In his research, Rama Krishna Rao (5) examined the effects of shifting consumer attitudes and how such shifts ultimately affected people's aptitudes. The handloom industry's long-term prospects are undoubtedly destroyed unless weavers develop their artistic talent and dexterity so they can compete with power looms and technologically advanced textile factories. Instead of limiting themselves to the more severe types of traditional materials, handloom weavers should intrinsically develop the skills and craftsmanship necessary to produce pleasing types of cloth.

The Village and Little businesses Committee, also known as the Carving Committee, was established by the Design Commission in 1955 to plan the use of resources to be set aside for the occasion of village and small businesses, among which handloom is one. The extension of cooperative organizations to significant members of the handloom industry as well as the introduction of such changes within the already-existing handlooms that may increase the extent of technical efficiency are two of the committee's key recommendations.

METHODOLOGY

The data that is currently available is based on both primary and secondary data. Directly from respondents via questionnaires, primary data are gathered using stratified random sampling and proportionate allocation methods.

The secondary data are gathered from the sources through annual reports and cooperative department publications. The handloom census report from the industries department. Annual report from the Manipur government's department of statistics, the internet, and the directorate of information and public relations. To achieve the desired results, the acquired data are tabulated and analysed using the proper statistics tools.

HYPOTHESIS

Our null-hypothesis may be formulated as follows:

Ho: There is no significant difference among the handloom weavers in connection with their profits and products.

 H_1 : There is significant difference among the handloom weavers in connection with their profits and products.

DATA ANALYSIS

Table 1: Classification of Table

| Handloom Weavers | Number $(N = 60)$ | Percentages | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| Gender Wise Classification | Gender Wise Classification | | | |
| Male | 0 | 0% | | |
| Female | 60 | 100% | | |
| Age Composition | Age Composition | | | |
| 15 - 25 | 20 | 33.33% | | |
| 26 - 35 | 15 | 25% | | |
| 36 - 45 | 17 | 28. 33% | | |
| 46 - Above | 8 | 13.33% | | |
| Total | 60 | 100.00% | | |
| Literacy of Weavers | | | | |

| Illiterate | 10 | 16.66% | |
|---------------------|----|---------|--|
| Under Matriculation | 40 | 66.66% | |
| Above Matriculation | 10 | 16.66% | |
| Total | 60 | 100.00% | |
| Nature of Work | | | |
| Part time | 10 | 16% | |
| Full time | 50 | 84% | |
| Total | 60 | 100.00% | |
| Monthly Income | | | |
| 0 - 1000 | 8 | 14% | |
| 1000 - 2000 | 39 | 65% | |
| 3000 - 4000 | 7 | 11% | |
| 4000 - Above | 6 | 10% | |
| Total | 60 | 100.00% | |

Table 2: Cost Price, Selling price and Profits of selected Handloom products:

| Name of the Handloom Products | Cost Price | Selling Price | Profit per |
|-------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Unit | (In Rs) | (In Rs) | (In Rs) |
| LangjamPhanek | 120 | 280 | 50/60 |
| Phanek 1ply | 220 | 280 | 50/60 |
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | 350 | 450 | 100 |
| Khudei | 230 | 300/320 | 70/90 |
| Bathing Towel | 30 | 50 | 20 |
| Cotton Pure (Double dying) | 270 | 270 | 80 |
| MugaPhanek (AkhetAshang pure) | 2000 | 2500 | 500 |
| MugaPhee (With border) | 3000 | 3500 | 500 |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | 4000 | 5000 | 1000 |
| Muga Saree (Full with blows) | 11000 | 14000 | 3000 |

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Table 3:Material Cost, Wages/Charges, Time Consume, Required Weaver

| Name of the Handloom | Material Cost+ | Time Consume | Required |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Product | Wages/Charge = Cost | | Weaver |
| | Price (in Rs) | | |
| LangjamPhanek | 150 + 70 = 220 | 2 piece/day | 1 |
| Phanek 1ply | 150 + 70 = 220 | 2 piece/day | 1 |
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | 150 + 200 = 350 | 1 piece/day | 1 |
| Khudei | 150 + 80 = 230 | 2 piece/day | 1 |
| Bathing Towel | 20 + 10 = 30 | 10 piece/day (double) | 1 |
| Cotton Pure (Double dying) | 200 + 70 = 270 | 2 piece/days | 1 |
| MugaPhanek | 1500 + 500 = 2000 | 1 piece/3 days | 1 |
| (AkhetAshang pure) | | | |
| MugaPhee (With border) | 1500 + 1500 = 3000 | 1 piece/4 days | 2 |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | 1500 + 2500 = 4000 | 1 piece/4 days | 2 |
| Muga Saree (Full with blows) | 4000 + 7000 = 11000 | 1 piece/10 days | 2 |

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Table 4: Analytical / Mathematical data for Weavers in Annual

| Name of the Handloom | Selling Price | Cost Price | Profit |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Products Unit | (In Rs) | (In Rs) | (In Rs) |
| LangjamPhanek | | | |
| $365 \times 2 = 730$ | $730 \times 230 = 204400$ | $730 \times 220 = 160600$ | $730 \times 50 = 36500$ |
| | | | $730 \times 60 = 43800$ |
| Phanek 1ply | | | |
| $365 \times 2 = 730$ | $730 \times 280 = 204400$ | $730 \times 220 = 160600$ | $730 \times 50 = 36500$ |
| | | | $730 \times 60 = 43800$ |
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | | | |
| 365x1 | $365 \times 450 = 164250$ | $365 \times 350 = 127750$ | $365 \times 100 = 36500$ |
| Khudei | | | |
| $365 \times 2 = 730$ | $730 \times 300 = 219000$ | $730 \times 230 = 167900$ | $730 \times 70 = 51100$ |
| | $730 \times 320 = 233600$ | | $730 \times 90 = 65700$ |
| Bathing Towel | | | |
| $365 \times 10 = 3650$ | $3650 \times 50 = 182500$ | $3650 \times 30 = 109500$ | $3650 \times 20 = 73000$ |
| Cotton Pure | | | |
| (Double dying) | | | |
| $365 \times 2 = 730$ | $730 \times 350 = 255500$ | $730 \times 270 = 197100$ | $730 \times 80 = 58400$ |
| MugaPhanek | | | |
| (AkhetAshang pure) | | | |
| 365/3=121 | $121 \times 2500 = 302500$ | $121 \times 2000 = 242000$ | $121 \times 500 = 60500$ |
| MugaPhee | $91 \times 3500 = 318500$ | $91 \times 3000 = 273000$ | $91 \times 500 = 45500$ |
| (With border) | | | |
| 365/4=91 | | | |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | | | |
| 365/4=91 | $91 \times 5000 = 455000$ | 91×4000 = 364000 | $36 \times 10000 = 91000$ |
| Muga Saree | | | |
| (Full with blows) | | | |
| 365/10=36 | $36 \times 14000 = 504000$ | 36×11000 = 396000 | $36 \times 3000 = 108000$ |

Table 5:Profit of Weavers perUnit

| Wages/ hire (khunek) charged (in Rs) | Hire charged + Profit = Actual Profit (in Rs) |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| LangjamPhanek | 70 + 50/60 = 120/130 |
| Phanek 1ply | 70 + 50/60 = 120/130 |
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | 200+ 100 = 300 |
| Khudei | 80 + 70/90 = 150/170 |
| Bathing Towel | 10 + 20 = 30 |
| Cotton Pure (Double dying) | 70 + 80 = 150 |
| MugaPhanek (AkhetAshang pure) | 500 + 500 = 1000 |
| MugaPhee (With border) | 1500 + 500 = 2000 |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | 2500 + 1000 = 3500 |
| Muga Saree (Full with blows) | 7000 + 3000 = 10000 |

Table 6:Monthly Profit (Independent) and Monthly Income (Dependent) Weaves

| Name of the Handloom products | Monthly Profit (in Rs) | Monthly Income for co- weavers / dependent (in Rs) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| LangjamPhanek | 3600/12 = 304 43800/12 = 3650 | 51100/12 = 4258 |

| Phanek 1ply | 36500/ = 304 43800/12 = 3650 | 51100/12 = 4258 |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | 36500/12 = 304 | 73000/12 6083 |
| Khudei | 51100/12 = 4258 65700/12 = 5475 | 58400/12 = 4866 |
| Bathing Towel | 73000/12 = 6083 | 73000/12 = 6083 |
| Cotton Pure (Double dying) | 58400/12 = 4866 | 51100/12 = 4258 |
| MugaPhanek (AkhetAshang pure) | 60500/12 = 5041 | 60500/12 = 5041 |
| MugaPhee (With border) | 45500/12 = 3791 | 136500/12 = 11375/2 = 5687 |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | 91000/12 = 7583 | 227500/12 = 18958/2 = 9479 |
| Muga Saree (Full with blows) | 108000/12 = 9000 | 252000/12 = 21000/2 = 10500 |

Table 7: Comparison with Independent and Dependent Weaver's monthly income

| Name of the Handloom products | Independent Weaver | Dependent Weaver |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| LangjamPhanek | 87600/12 = 7300 94900/12 = 7900 | 4258 |
| Phanek 1ply | 87600/12 = 7300 94900/12 = 7908 | 4258 |
| Phanek 2ply (Wool) | 109500/12 = 9125 | 6083 |
| Khudei | 109500/12 = 9125 94900/12 = 7908 | 4866 |
| Bathing Towel | 219000/12 = 18250 | 6083 |
| Cotton Pure (Double dying) | 109500/12 = 9125 | 4258 |
| MugaPhanek (AkhetAshang pure) | 121000/12 = 10083 | 5041 |
| MugaPhee (With border) | 182000/12 = 15166/2 = 7583 | 5687 |
| MugaSaree (Haft) | 318500/12 = 26541/2 = 13270 | 9479 |
| Muga Saree (Full with blows) | 360000/12 = 30000/2 = 15000 | 10500 |

CONCLUSION

The study mentioned above has shown that there are significant differences in the profits and goods produced by different handloom weavers. The working hours affect the profits and the products. Although the handloom industry offers job possibilities to the underprivileged and

powerful, master weavers and independent weavers must invest in those handloom goods that would yield a higher return on their investments. In addition, the only reason this industry has survived is because consumers favor handcrafted goods.

Women weavers dominated the handloom industry in Manipur to a considerable extent, but now that the market is changing and there is more competition, they must make compromises. Despite this, manual looms with minimal levels of technology are still used by the weavers, which has an impact on output.

To make the handloom more popular, there are several things that must be done, including advertising, availability/increased number of outlets, exhibits, innovative design development, awareness-raising, and assistance for the dependent weavers.

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