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Living Looms of India: Colloquium on Handloom Sector

October 4, 2023 | 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Dy Speaker Hall | Constitution Club of India
New Delhi

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| 9.30 – 10.00 am | Registration |
| 10.00 – 10.30 am | Inaugural Session |
| | <p>Welcome Address and Introduction Vipin Sharma, ACCESS Development Services</p> <p>Keynote Address William Bissell, Chairman, FabIndia</p> |
| 10.30 – 11.10 am | Crafting Narratives: A Conversation with Master Weavers |
| | <p>Padma Shri Dr Rajani Kant, GI Expert</p> <p>in conversation with Master Weavers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tahira Bano, Kota Cluster, Rajasthan • Urmila Katual, Nuapatna Cluster, Odisha • Hemlata Kharade, Maheshwar Cluster, Madhya Pradesh • Tarak Nath Rakshit, Bishnupur Cluster, West Bengal |
| 11.10 – 11.30 am | Networking Break |
| 11.30 am – 12.30 pm | Session I - Reinventing Indian Handlooms: Recipe for Revival |
| | <p>Moderator Roopa Mehta, President of World Fair Trade Organisation (WFTO)</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Ritu Sethi, Founder-Trustee, Craft Revival Trust • Alana Savant, Textile Designer and Craft Revivalist • Dr. Vandana Bhandari, Author and Educator • Rita Prem Hemrajani, Managing Director, National Handloom Development Corporation Limited |



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| 12.30 – 1.20 pm | Session II - Revitalizing Traditions: Empowering Artisans through New Age Handloom Enterprises |
| | <p>Moderator Dr. Madhura Dutta, Culture and Development Specialist</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sujata Biswas, Co-Founder, Suta ● Rashmi Bharti, Co-Founder, Avani ● Nitin Pamnani, Co-Founder, iTokri |
| 1:20 – 2:05 pm | Networking Break |
| 2:05 - 2.50 pm | Fireside Chat: Threads for Tomorrow: The Future of Handloom |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Laila Tyabji, Founder, Dastkar ● Ambuj Narayan, CEO, Taneira <p>in conversation with</p> <p>Archana Shah, Founder, Bandhej</p> |
| 2.50 - 3.50 pm | Session III - Making Markets Work for Weavers: New Opportunities; New Channels |
| | <p>Moderator Manish Saxena, Lead, Aadyam Handwoven & Advisor: Tommy Hilfiger/Calvin Klein/Arrow, Ex Co-Founder, LimeRoad</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sumita Ghose, Founder, Rangсутra ● Ambuj Narayan, CEO, Taneira ● Siva Devireddy, Founder, GoCoop ● Manorath Dhillon, CEO, Okhai |
| 3.50 – 4.00 pm | Vote of Thanks |
| | Suvendu Rout, Vice President, ACCESS Development Services |