

A STUDY OF THE PROCESSES, TECHNIQUES, DESIGNS AND  
WEAR CHARACTERISTICS OF FLOOR COVERINGS  
OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, INDIA

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APPENDIX-I  
For the Weavers  
Background Information

- 1 Name and place of the centre/unit \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 What type of F.C. do you make?
  - a) Hand knotted carpets
  - b) Rugs
  - c) Bed durries
  - d) Floor durries
  - e) Gabbas
  - f) Namdas
  - g) Asnas
  - h) Any other

- 3 Give the following details -

Sex		Age	Caste Religion	Family type and size	No. of earning members
M	F				

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- 4 i) What is your educational level?
    - a) Illiterate
    - b) Primary
    - c) Middle
    - d) High/Higher Secondary
    - e) Graduate
    - f) Any other

4 ii) What is your total family income (per month)?

- a) Rs. 500/- or below
- b) Rs. 501/- to 1000/-
- c) Rs.1001/- to 1500/-
- d) Rs.1501/- to 2000/-
- e) Rs.2001/- to 2500/-
- f) More than Rs.2500/-

5 Is weaving your family occupation?

Yes / No

If No, why did you take up weaving -

- a) You had interest in weaving
- b) You were trained for it
- c) Any other reason

6 From where did you learn weaving?

- a) Family members
- b) Institution
- c) Any other

7 i) How much time did it take you to master the craft?

ii) Since when have you been practising the craft professionally?

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8 Are you employed by any weaving centre?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

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Name	Average daily output (knots/day)	Working hrs/day	Basis of payment	Monthly income
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List the facilities provided by your employer -  
(P.F., Medical, Leave, House Rent Allowance etc.)

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) \_\_\_\_\_
- e) \_\_\_\_\_
- f) \_\_\_\_\_

9 Was your weaving unit -

- a) inherited
- b) self-established

When was it established? \_\_\_\_\_

10 What is your total capital investment?

- a) Fixed Capital
- b) Working Capital

Looms

Accessories

Any other

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11 Do you ever take financial help?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

<u>Source</u>	<u>Rate of Interest</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
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Family

Friends

Banks

Govt. Agencies

Money lender

Any other

What is the criteria followed by these to give you credit?

12 Do you take any help from your family?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

<u>Family Member</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Work done</u>
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13 Have you employed any workers?

Yes / No

13 If Yes, give the following details -

Type of worker	No. of workers	Type of work done	Wages/ month	Basis of payment
Permanent Skilled				
Temporary Skilled				
Permanent Unskilled				
Temporary Unskilled				
Any other				

#### Part II - Raw Stock Supplies

14 Give the following details about the purchase of fibres and yarns -

F.C.	Fibre/ Yarn used	Source of purchase	Quantity consumed (kgs/month)	Cost & Terms of payment
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15 Do you dye the yarns yourself?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

Type of Dye	Source of purchase	Quantity consumed (kgs/month)	Cost & Terms of Payment	
			Cash	Credit

16 Give the following details about the chemicals used by you -

Chemical Details	Purpose & Details	Source of purchase	Quantity consumed (kgs/month)	Cost & Terms of payment	
				Cash	Credit

17 Give the details of the looms used by you -

Type of Loom	No. of Looms	No. of Harness	Width of Loom	Source of purchase	Approx cost
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- 18 Give the details of the accessories used with the looms -

Accessory	No.owned	Function	Source of Purchase	Approx. cost
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### Part-III Technical Details

- 19 Give the details of the F.C. manufactured by you -

F.C.	Shape	Dimensions			Wt.	Produc- tion/ month	Price/ piece
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- 20 Give the details of different types of carpets made by you -

Quality	Size	Knots/Sq."	Production per month	Price/ piece
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- 21 Give the details of the yarn used for manufacturing different floor coverings -

F.C.	Fibre yarn used					Qualities of	
	Wp.	Ex.Wp.	Wf.	Ex.Wf.	Pile	Yarn	
						Ply	Twist

- 22 Give the details of the wool used for manufacturing different floor coverings (Chokhla, Magra, Nali, Merino, Bikaneri, Jaisalmeri, Joria, Blend, imported etc.)

F.C.	Type of wool	Used for					Reasons for use
		Wp.	ExWp	Wf	ExWf	Pile	

- 23 Do you use any pre-warping process?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the details -



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24 Give the details of the warping process -

F.C.	Implements and their function	Method of warping	No.of persons	Time taken	F.C. warped at a time
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25 Give the sequence of weaving (shed formation, pile knotting, method of passing the weft, number of weft shots etc.)

a) F.C.	Implements used	No. of persons working	Time taken
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b) Give the details of the sequence and the implements used for weaving -

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26 Do you use any post-weaving process?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

a) F.C.	Sequence of the processes	No.of persons working	Time taken
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b) Give the details of the sequence -

27 How much total time is required for the manufacture of different F.C.?

F.C.	No.of persons	Hrs/Day	Total time taken
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28 Give the details of any special techniques used for weaving -

F.C.	Name and details of the techniques
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- 29 Give the details of the designs, motifs and the colour combinations used for various types of floor coverings -

F.C.	Design	Motifs	Colour combinations	Symbolic significance
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- 30 Who selects the designs for you?

- a) Design these yourself
- b) Get these alongwith the orders
- c) Get these from books
- d) From old floor coverings
- e) Any other

- 31 Do you refer to the designs while weaving?

- a) From old carpets
- b) Through graphs
- c) Through special techniques
- d) Any other

- 32 How do you do the felting for Namdas?

a)	Name of the process	Implements	No. of persons working	Time taken
	_____	_____	_____	_____

- b) Give the details of the sequence -

33 What are the materials used for making Gabbas?

Gabba	Material used	Background colour	Source of supply
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Background

For applique

34 Do you use any pre-embroidery process?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the details -

F.C.	Name of process	Details of the process	No. of persons	Time taken
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35 Give the following embroidery details -

F.C.	Yarn used and its ply	Implements used and their function	Stitches used	No. of persons	Time taken
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36 What are the common manufacturing defects and how do you overcome these?

F.C.	Defects	Remedial measures
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37 Have there been any changes in the manufacturing or designing of these?

Yes / No

If Yes, give the following details -

F.C.	Change				Reasons for the change
	Fibre/ Yarn	Pre- wvng.	Wvng.	Post- wvng.	Colour des.

#### Part-IV Production and Marketing Details

38 Give the following production details -

F.C.	Wp.consumed (kgs/month)	Wf.consumed (kgs/month)	Extra (kgs/ month)	Production/ month
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39 Do you manufacture F.C.?

- a) On order
- b) In anticipation of demand
- c) Throughout the year
- d) Some special reason
- e) Any other

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40 What are your sources of receiving orders?

- a) Buyers \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b) Firm/Cooperatives \_\_\_\_\_ %
- c) Government Agencies \_\_\_\_\_ %
- d) Selling Agents \_\_\_\_\_ %
- e) Any other \_\_\_\_\_ %

41 Do you ever get complaints from your buyers?

Yes / No

If Yes, these are regarding -

- a) Quality of the floor covering
- b) Durability
- c) Weaving defects
- d) Design
- e) Colour combinations
- f) Any other

42 What are the major problems which you face?

- a) Supply of fibre and yarn
- b) Supply of dyes and chemicals
- c) Lack of financial aid
- d) Difficulty in getting financial aid
- e) Lack of designs
- f) Lack of training
- g) Retailing and merchandising
- h) Any other

43 What are your suggestions for the improvement and upliftment of this craft?