

Skill Development Program trains artisans in Jodhpur & Barmer

440 artisans trained in 11 Batches



Mr. Kulwinder Singh, Assistant Director O/o DC (Handicrafts) and other officials from the Department interact with the program's participants

As part of the Jodhpur Mega Cluster (CHCDS) Scheme, EPCH initiated a Skill Development Program in Jodhpur and Barmer. Within a time frame from 29th February to 31st March 2017, 3 batches with a total of 120 artisans were trained in Hand Embroidery. EPCH conducted 11 programs in April and started 4 batches in Barmer and 7 in Jodhpur on Hand Embroidery, Hand Block Printing and Hand Woven Durrie Making. This training program was conducted with an objective to address current limitations of the Jodhpur mega cluster in terms of lack of skilled manpower for production of high value added and diversified products. As part of this, standardised training was imparted as per NSFQ guideline which also

included various soft skills and enterprise development, aimed at the overall capacity building of artisans. All the training programs were conducted by experienced trainers with emphasis on developing new designs in embroidery, block printing and hand woven durrie making. As per feedback, all artisans have appreciated this initiative and look forward for more such programs.

Mr. Kulwinder Singh, Assistant Director O/o DC (Handicrafts) and other officials from the Department visited several training programs to monitor the progress. Several artisans who have completed training are motivated to form Self Help Groups to better their livelihoods.



The participating artisans seen sketching the designs and depicting it with hand embroidery on fabric