

Ikat sarees of Odisha

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■ **ABSTRACT :** To document the different types of *Sarees*, motifs and their placement a self-structured interview schedule was used to elicit the information on the types of silk and cotton *Sarees* manufactured and motifs used in the popular *Ikat sarees* of Odisha. The most popular *Sarees* woven are *Sambalpuri*, *Sakatapar*, *Passapali*, *Bapta* and *Bomkai* both in cotton and silk with 5.5 meters length and 1.2 meters width using 2/100s-2/120s cotton yarn and 20-22 denier silk yarn. The variegated sarees are beautified with floral pattern, geometrical pattern, small flower *Buttis*, human figure, *Shankha*, *Chakra*, animal and bird depictions.

■ **KEY WORDS:** *Ikat sarees*, Motifs, Cotton, Silk, Denier silk yarn

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