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3RD Handicraft Project Launch – 06.08.2021

Minister of State, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Labor & Employment, Shri Rameswar Teli, virtually launched ONGC-supported Assam Handloom project **UjjwalAbahan** on **6th August 2021**. This was the launch of third handicraft project supported by ONGC, under the aegis of the Petroleum Ministry, as a part of the observance of AzadiKaAmritMahotsav – celebrating 75 years of Independence. The project will support and train over a hundred artisans of Bhatiapar of Sivasagar in Hathkharga handicraft.



Shri Teli said the projects launched as a part of AzadiKaAmritMahotsav will not only promote handicrafts but also help in economic freedom of the women in the rural areas.

The virtual launch was graced by the attendance of ONGC CMD Shri Subhash Kumar, Secretary MoPNG Shri Tarun Kapoor, ONGC Director (HR) Dr Alka Mittal, Director (Onshore) Shri Anurag Sharma, CEO ONGC Foundation, Shri Kiran DM, key executives from ministry and the oil & gas industry and local beneficiaries from Assam.

CMD-ONGC, Shri Subhash Kumar noted that it is a matter of pride and honour to host such CSR project as a part of the government's celebration of the 75th year of Independence. Shri Kumar mentioned that ONGC is supporting 15 projects among the 75 projects to be launched till 15th August 2022, under the aegis of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas.

“All the 75 projects will be instrumental in reviving 75 handloom products in the country and will also work towards Atmanirbhar Bharat. ONGC will continue to add value and support the communities in and around its operational areas,” said Mr Kumar.

Petroleum Secretary, Shri Tarun Kapoor said it is commendable that ONGC through this unique CSR project is supporting handicraft and generating employment in rural areas.