

TN Weavers Win National Handloom Awards 2025

Three weavers and entities from Tamil Nadu were selected for the National Handloom Awards 2025 to be presented on August 7.

National Handloom Awards are presented annually by the Union Ministry of Textiles to recognize outstanding contributions to the handloom sector.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- A total of **19 awardees** nationwide were selected for the National Handloom Awards 2025 by the **Union Ministry of Textiles**.
- M.V. Gopinathan** from **Coimbatore** won the award in the design development category.
- Kovilvazhi Handloom Weavers Cooperative Society** from **Tiruppur** was selected for marketing handloom products.
- Annamalai Marimuthu** and **Kumaran Balaraman** of Tiruvannamalai won for handwoven Kancheepuram silk sarees.
- President **Droupadi Murmu** will present the awards in New Delhi on **August 7**, observed as National Handloom Day.
- Award recipients will receive a **tamrapatra**, a shawl, and a certificate.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

National Handloom Day is observed annually on **August 7** to mark the launch of the **Swadeshi Movement** in **1905**.

The Swadeshi Boycott resolution was passed at the **Calcutta Town Hall** on **August 7, 1905**.

The first National Handloom Day was formally inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in **Chennai** in **2015**.

Kancheepuram Silk received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag in **2005**, making it Tamil Nadu's first GI tag product.

Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society, popular as **Co-optex**, was established in **1935**.

Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, is the nodal central ministry for the development of handloom and textile sectors.

REVISION FLASHCARD

National Handloom Day is celebrated on August 7 to mark the 1905 Swadeshi Movement.

Syllabus Relevance: High relevance for Unit 8 (TN Culture & Heritage) and Unit 2 (Awards & Important Days) in TNPSC Group 1, 2, 2A, 4 exams.

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