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Title: Regarding granting of Geographical Indications (GI) tag to Sambalpuri Saree-laid.

SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB (SAMBALPUR): Sambalpuri Saree is not only popular in the state of Odisha and in the country but also in foreign countries. Thousands of handloom weavers are facing problems of obsolete loom, raw materials and finance. These weavers earn their livelihood by making Sambalpuri saree generation after generation. In order to protect its identity, the Government of India may kindly issue Geographical Indication (GI) tag to Sambalpuri Saree. In Order to revive handlooms of Sambalpuri, I urge the Government to give financial package during the current financial year.