Kadam Haat is an NGO that aims to provide viable employment opportunities for young people in rural villages of West Bengal, including artisans living in regions inhabited by Naxalites. It works towards building small and medium enterprises enabling greater utilisation of local resources. The organization makes natural fibre-based handmade home décor and utilitarian items.

**WHAT WE MAKE**

- Multi Utility Basket
- Kitchen Ware
- Bags
- Table Mats
- Runners
- Tissue Boxes
- Trays

**Craftmark Certification**

- Sabai Craft
- Bamboo Craft
- Coconut Shell Craft
- Sitalpati Weaving
- Moonj Craft
- V-Weave

**MANAGE WATER WASTE AND USE OF SAFE DYES**

ASIA Craftmark conducted a natural/vegetable dyeing workshop for the weavers at AAJ, with the help of a technical trainer and master artisan from Kota, Rajasthan, in order to:

- Standardize uses of direct dye and acid dye in Jawaja, which they were anyway using, and to introduce reactive dyes.
- Brief the group of weavers on the role of pH and TDS on dyeing, and train to achieve colour fastness.
- Brief and introduce methods of reducing consumption of water in an overall dyeing process.
- Introduce ways of standardization of dyeing process, use of chemicals, salts and acid in an optimum ratio.

ASIA Craftmark conducted the workshop at AAJ in order to:

- Reduce the use of salt in the dyeing process and how by maintaining time and temperature the desired result can be achieved with less use of chemicals in textile dyeing.
- Brief the group of weavers on the role of pH and TDS on dyeing, and train to achieve colour fastness.