BED SHEET MANUFACTURING

INTRODUCTION

The "Bed Sheet Manufacturing" project in Uttarakhand, India, represents a promising micro and small investment opportunity for entrepreneurs looking to enter the textile manufacturing sector. Uttarakhand, with its conducive business environment and skilled labor force, offers a favorable backdrop for this venture. This project profile aims to provide a comprehensive overview for potential investors and serves as a ready reference for entrepreneurs interested in establishing a bed sheet manufacturing unit in the region.

1. PRODUCT & ITS APPLICATION

The "Bed Sheet Manufacturing" project centers on producing premium bed sheets, a staple household item utilized across various sectors. These include residential settings like homes and apartments, the hospitality industry including hotels and resorts, the healthcare sector encompassing hospitals and clinics, institutional environments such as dormitories and hostels, and the retail market through both brick-and-mortar and online stores. Given the consistent demand for bed sheets, this venture presents a sustainable and profitable business opportunity.

2. DESIRED QUALIFICATION FOR PROMOTER

For the "Bed Sheet Manufacturing" project in Uttarakhand to thrive, prospective promoters must exhibit a range of qualifications and attributes critical to its success. Essential industry knowledge, including an understanding of textile manufacturing processes, fabric selection, and quality control, is vital. Additionally, strong business acumen, encompassing skills in financial planning, marketing, and supply chain management, is crucial for navigating the competitive landscape. An awareness of local regulations and compliance requirements is necessary for the smooth establishment and operation of the manufacturing unit. Furthermore, access to adequate capital and resources is imperative to kickstart and maintain the business. Above all, a deep commitment and the perseverance to face and surmount challenges are indispensable for ensuring the venture's longevity and prosperity.

3. INDUSTRY OUTLOOK AND TRENDS

The textile sector in Uttarakhand is experiencing a period of robust growth, with bed sheet manufacturing emerging as a sector well-aligned with current trends and market outlooks. The demand for bed sheets is surging, propelled by factors such as population growth, urbanization, and an increase in disposable incomes. Furthermore, there's a noticeable shift towards eco-friendly and sustainable bedding solutions among consumers, presenting a unique competitive edge for businesses that adopt sustainable production practices. Additionally, the rising trend of personalized and customizable bed sheets opens up avenues to cater to specific niche markets. The burgeoning e-commerce industry offers lucrative opportunities for leveraging online platforms for sales and direct-to-consumer marketing strategies. Moreover, Uttarakhand's strategic geographic positioning facilitates access to both domestic and international markets, underscoring the potential for bed sheet exports. This confluence of factors makes bed sheet manufacturing a promising and sustainable business venture in the region.

The India Bed and Bath Linen Market size is estimated at INR 526.58 billion in 2024, and is expected to reach INR 773.68 billion by 2029, growing at a CAGR of 8% during the forecast period (2024-2029). [Source]

4. MARKET POTENTIAL AND MARKETING ISSUES; IF ANY

The market potential for bed sheet manufacturing in Uttarakhand, India, is significant, driven by factors such as a growing population, thriving tourism industry, urbanization, and export opportunities. The increasing number of households, coupled with Uttarakhand's popularity as a tourist destination, creates a consistent demand for bed sheets in hotels, resorts, and guesthouses. Urbanization further contributes to the demand for home furnishings. Proximity to textile hubs provides export opportunities both domestically and internationally. However, entrepreneurs should be mindful of challenges, including intense competition, changing consumer preferences, the need for quality assurance, and distribution challenges. Notable competitors in the Indian bed sheet market include well-established brands like Bombay Dyeing, Raymond, Trident, Swayam, Divine Casa, Jaipur

Fabric, Sheetkart, and Krishna Handloom, among others. Staying competitive requires effective branding, staying abreast of design trends, ensuring product quality, and establishing a reliable distribution network.

5. RAW MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

Starting a bed sheet manufacturing unit in Uttarakhand necessitates procuring several key raw materials to ensure the production of high-quality products. Central to this venture is the selection of high-quality cotton fabric, prized for its comfort, breathability, and maintenance ease, making it the preferred choice for bed sheets. Additionally, the manufacturing process will require the acquisition of suitable dyes and colorants to create bed sheets in various designs and colors, with an emphasis on meeting safety and quality standards. Quality thread is another essential component, vital for stitching the bed sheets together; it must be durable and color-coordinated with the fabric. The branding and packaging aspect involves sourcing labels for branding purposes and packaging materials for the storage and shipping of the final product. Furthermore, chemicals for pre-treatment, dyeing, finishing processes, and additional treatments like wrinkle or stain resistance are required. Lastly, auxiliary materials such as buttons, zippers, and any decorative elements will be needed to complete the bed sheets.

Sourcing high-quality raw materials from reliable suppliers is crucial to maintaining product consistency and quality.

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 Rahon Road, Ghelewal, Ludhiana 141007, Dist. Ludhiana, Punjab.
- Knit Zone: 9/122-A, Karaipudur Park College Road, Arulpuram, Tiruppur 641605, Dist.
 Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu

6. MANUFACTURING PROCESS

The process of manufacturing bed sheets encompasses a series of meticulously executed steps, beginning with the design phase, where patterns, colors, and designs are selected or created in alignment with prevailing market trends and consumer preferences. This is

followed by the crucial task of sourcing raw materials, including high-quality cotton fabric, dyes, threads, and other necessary items.

Next, the fabric is cut and shaped into the desired sizes for bed sheets, top sheets, fitted sheets, and pillowcases. The application of patterns or colors is achieved through printing or dyeing, utilizing various techniques such as screen printing, digital printing, or traditional dyeing methods to impart the desired aesthetics. Stitching is the subsequent step, where the fabric pieces are assembled, edges hemmed, and any decorative elements added to complete the bed sheets. Quality control is an integral part of the process, involving thorough inspections to identify any defects, ensure secure stitching, and verify that colors and patterns meet the design specifications.

Once quality is assured, the bed sheets are folded, packaged, and prepared for distribution, incorporating branding elements into the packaging to enhance product appeal. The final stage involves establishing a distribution network to efficiently supply the finished bed sheets to retailers, wholesalers, or directly to consumers through a blend of online and offline sales channels.

The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) certification for bedsheets and pillow covers is IS 17630:2021. To comply with this standard, bedsheets and pillow covers must be made from spunlace and/or spunbond non-woven fabric or woven fabric. The fabric must be made of cotton or polyester or their blends.

7. MANPOWER REQUIREMENT

Sr. No	Particulars	No. of	Months	Monthly Wages	Monthly	Annual
		Person		Amount/Person	Wages - Total	Expenses
				(Rs in Lakhs)	(Rs in Lakhs)	(Rs in Lakhs)
1	Skilled	2	12	0.20	0.40	4.80
2	Semi-skilled	3	12	0.15	0.45	5.40

3	Unskilled	4	12	0.10	0.40	4.80
	Total					15.00

8. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Sr. No.	Activity	Time Required (in months)
1	Acquisition of premises	2
2	Construction (if applicable)	3
3	Procurement & installation of Plant & Machinery	3
4	Arrangement of Finance	2
5	Recruitment of required manpower	2
Total ti	me required (some activities shall run concurrently)	10

9. COST OF PROJECT

Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs in Lakhs)
1	Pre-operative Expenses	4.50
2	Land and Building	15.00
3	Machinery	25.68
4	Equipment and Furniture	0.75
5	Working Capital	8.00
	Total Project Cost	53.93

Assumed capacity is to manufacture 50-60 bedsheets per day and around 15000 bedsheets annually.

10. MEANS OF FINANCE

Bank-term loans are assumed @ 75 % of fixed assets.

Sr. No	Particulars	Percentage Share	Amount (Rs in Lakhs)
1	Promoter's contribution	25%	13.48
2	Bank Finance	75%	40.45
	Total	•	53.93

11. LIST OF MACHINERY REQUIRED

A. Machinery

Sr. No.	Particulars	Unit	Unit Cost	Amount
			(Rs in Lakhs)	(Rs in Lakhs)
1	Fabric Cutting Machine	1	1.50	1.50
2	Sewing Machines	5	0.05	0.25
3	Dyeing and Printing Machines	1	5.00	5.00
4	Quality Control Equipment	1	1.00	1.00
5	Packing and Labelling Machine	1	2.00	2.00
6	Industrial Ironing Machine	1	2.50	2.50
7	Power Generator	1	3.00	3.00
8	Computer and Software	Set	0.50	0.50
9	Material Handling Equipment	1	1.20	1.20
10	Cutting Tools and Accessories	Set	0.50	0.50
11	Laboratory Equipment	Set	2.00	2.00
12	Maintenance Tools	Set	0.30	0.30
	Total Amount	•	•	19.75
	Tax, Transportation, Insurance, etc.	3.95		
	Electrification Expenses (Wiring)	1.98		
	Grand Total			25.68

B. Furniture & Equipment

Sr. No	Particulars	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Amount
			(Rs in Lakhs)	(Rs in Lakhs)
1	Office Furniture	Set	0.75	0.75
	Total Amount			0.75

1. Sheetal Enterprise:

Ll-2, Avani Plaza, Near Satellite Tower,

Opp. H P Petrol, Premchand Nagar Road,

Mansi Circle, Ahmedabad,

Gujarat, 380015, India.

2. Shanghai Qianshan Piping Technology Co., Ltd.

No.866, Xinyan Rd, Maogang Town,

Songjiang District, Shanghai,

Shanghai, 201607, China.

3. Atcore Tech Solutions

Plot No. 7/21, Kirti Nagar Industrial Area,

New Delhi, Delhi, 110015, India.

12. SALES REALIZATION CALCULATION

Sr. No	Product	Quantity	Sales in	Total Sales
		(in units)	Percentage	(Rs in Lakhs)
1	Bed Sheets	15000	100%	180.00
		Total	100%	180.00

13. PROFITABILITY CALCULATIONS

Sr. No	Particulars - Amount (Rs.)	Year-I (Rs in Lakhs)
A.	Sales Realization	
	Sales (Assuming 15% growth per year)	180.00
	Other Income (Assuming constant)	
	Total Sales Realization	180.00
В.	Cost of Production	
	i) Raw Materials	95.40
	ii) Utilities (Assuming constant)	1.50
	iii) Manpower (Salaries/wages)	15.00
	iv) Administrative Expenses (Assuming constant)	1.30

	v) Selling & Distribution Expenses (Assuming constant)	1.40
	viii) Interest (Assuming constant)	5.40
	Total Cost of Production	120.00
	No of Units Produced	15,000
	Cost of Goods Sold	0.008
	Gross Profit/Loss (A – B)	60.01
	Less: Depreciation	4.32
C.	PBIT (Profit Before Interest and Tax)	55.70
D.	Income-tax (Assuming 28% tax rate)	15.60
E.	Net Profit/Loss (C - D)	40.10
F.	Repayment	5.40
	Retained Surplus (E - F)	34.71

14. BREAKEVEN ANALYSIS

Fixed cost	Year-I (Rs in Lakhs)
Depreciation	4.32
Interest	5.4
Manpower	4.50
Total Fixed cost	14.22
Variable cost	
Raw materials	95.4
Utilities	1.5
ManPower	10.50
Administrative expenses	1.3
Selling & distribution expenses	1.4
Total Variable cost	110.10
Contribution margin	20%
Break-Even Point in Value	71.10

15. STATUTORY/GOVERNMENT APPROVALS

In Uttarakhand, India, establishing a bed sheet manufacturing unit requires various statutory and government approvals to ensure compliance with local regulations. Entrepreneurs should be prepared to navigate these requirements, which may include:

- Business Registration: Registering the business entity, such as a sole proprietorship, partnership, private limited company, or LLP, as per the applicable laws and obtaining the necessary licenses and permits.
- Factory License: Acquiring a factory license under the Factories Act, 1948, to ensure a safe and compliant working environment within the manufacturing facility.
- Environmental Clearance: Obtaining environmental clearance from the State Pollution
 Control Board to ensure that the manufacturing processes adhere to environmental regulations.
- Goods and Services Tax (GST) Registration: Registering for GST to comply with taxation requirements for the production and sale of bed sheets.
- Import and Export Permits: If engaging in international trade, obtaining import and export permits and adhering to customs regulations.
- Labor Laws Compliance: Complying with labor laws, including minimum wage regulations, working hours, and occupational safety standards, and obtaining labor licenses if applicable.
- **Finance and Subsidies:** Exploring financial incentives, subsidies, and grants offered by the state or central government for micro and small enterprises.

16. BACKWARD AND FORWARD INTEGRATIONS

A. Backward Integration

Backward integration involves gaining control over suppliers or raw material production. In the context of bed sheet manufacturing:

- Cotton Farming: Consider cultivating cotton or establishing contracts with local cotton farmers to ensure a stable and quality source of raw material.
- Dyeing and Printing: If feasible, set up an in-house dyeing and printing unit to have better control over the color and design customization process.
- Thread Manufacturing: Explore opportunities to manufacture thread or yarn used in bed sheet production, enhancing control over product quality and costs.

B. Forward Integration

Forward integration involves expanding activities downstream in the supply chain or strengthening distribution channels:

- Branded Retail: Consider establishing your own retail outlets or e-commerce platform to sell bed sheets directly to consumers under your brand, increasing profit margins.
- Wholesale Distribution: Develop partnerships with wholesalers or retailers to distribute your products more widely in Uttarakhand and other regions.
- **Export Market**: Explore opportunities to export your bed sheets to international markets, potentially through collaborations with overseas distributors or retailers.

17. TRAINING CENTERS AND COURSES

Entrepreneurs and individuals interested in the bed sheet manufacturing industry in Uttarakhand, India, can benefit from specialized training centers and courses to acquire the necessary skills and knowledge. Here are a few institutes that provide training and certification in textile and manufacturing-related fields:

National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), Kangra: NIFT is a renowned institution
offering courses in textile technology and apparel design. Their programs cover various
aspects of textile manufacturing, including fabric selection, dyeing, printing, and quality
control.

- Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI): ITIs across Uttarakhand offer courses in textile technology and garment manufacturing. These programs focus on hands-on training in operating machinery, stitching techniques, and quality assurance.
- Textile Research Associations: Organizations like the Northern India Textile Research Association (NITRA) provide training in textile testing, quality control, and production management. They offer short-term courses and workshops for professionals and entrepreneurs.
- Online Learning Platforms: Consider exploring online platforms such as Coursera, edX, and Udemy for courses related to textile manufacturing, quality management, and business management. These platforms offer flexibility in learning and can be accessed from anywhere.

Swayam portal (link: https://swayam.gov.in/) can also be accessed for enhanced learning on business commerce, accounting, production, marketing, and areas of entrepreneurship.

Before enrolling in any training program, individuals should research the specific course content, duration, and certification provided to ensure it aligns with their goals and requirements. Investing in training and skill development can significantly enhance one's ability to succeed in the bed sheet manufacturing business.

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