

Employment Potential in Public and Private Handloom Sectors of Chhattisgarh State

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Abstract — Chhattisgarh state is composed of handloom industries in varied districts of Northern, Central and Southern Region. The paper focuses on employment potential in public and private handloom sectors that is established in various regions of Chhattisgarh. By employment potential, we mean number of workers engaged in handloom activities operated in varied public or private handloom sectors of Chhattisgarh state. Information is collected on the basis of secondary data. It is found that Central Region of Chhattisgarh shows higher employment potential in public and private handloom sector as compared to other regions of Chhattisgarh state. Janjgir-Champa appear as largest employment provider regarding handloom activities in whole Chhattisgarh state while Kabirdham employs least number of workers in Chhattisgarh state.

Keywords-handloom; employment potential; workers; public; private

I. INTRODUCTION

Handloom industries of Chhattisgarh state provide employment to number of people living in semi-urban or rural areas. These handloom industries set apart a great source of employment for people who are remain free most of their time. They adopt handloom work as their hobby or time-pass rather than profession. Some people often prefer it as their hereditary occupation and they forward this occupation from generation to generation. Even whole family is involved in weaving including men, women and children. Whenever they get free time, they do this work. In Today's world, Handloom industries of Chhattisgarh prove as a great employment generator especially in rural areas.

II. HANDLOOM SECTORS IN CHHATTISGARH

Handloom industries are located in almost all districts of Chhattisgarh State. Handloom industries are not found in few districts of Chhattisgarh state: Balrampur, Surajpur, Korea, Bijapur, Sukma and Narayanpur. Except these districts, all districts composed of few or more handloom activities. Major handloom activities performed in districts are situated in center part of Chhattisgarh such as Janjgir-Champa, Rajnandgaon, Balod, Mahasamund, Balodabazar and Gariaband. Raigarh and Bastar located in Northern and Southern region of Chhattisgarh are also popular as major handloom sector in Chhattisgarh state. Handloom activities include various processes like Sizing, Warping, Drawing-in, Dentering, Weaving, Grey Inspection and Folding. It also involves colouring of fabric where facilities are available like dyeing and printing. Handloom Activities are performed in a specific machine called Loom. Thus, handloom industries engage people for different handloom activities and it gives employment to a large section of people in Chhattisgarh state.

III. FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

Table 1: Employment Potential in Public and Private Sectors of Northern Chhattisgarh

S. No.	Districts	Employment Potential		Total
		Public	Private	
1	Raigarh	2856 (48%)	3114 (52%)	5970 (81%)
2	Sarguja	162 (27%)	438(73%)	600 (8%)
3	Jashpur	105 (21%)	390 (79%)	495 (7%)
4	Korba	282 (100%)	0	282 (4%)
5	Balrampur	-	-	-
6	Surajpur	-	-	-
7	Korea	-	-	-
Total		3405	3942	7347

In Northern Chhattisgarh, it is observed that overall employment related to handloom activities in Korba is acquired from public sector only but in Raigarh, Sarguja and Jashpur, more employment acquired from private sector.

Private sector shows higher employment potential as compared to public sector in Northern Chhattisgarh. Balrampur, Surajpur and Korea in Northern Chhattisgarh do not show any employment as no handloom activities are performed there.

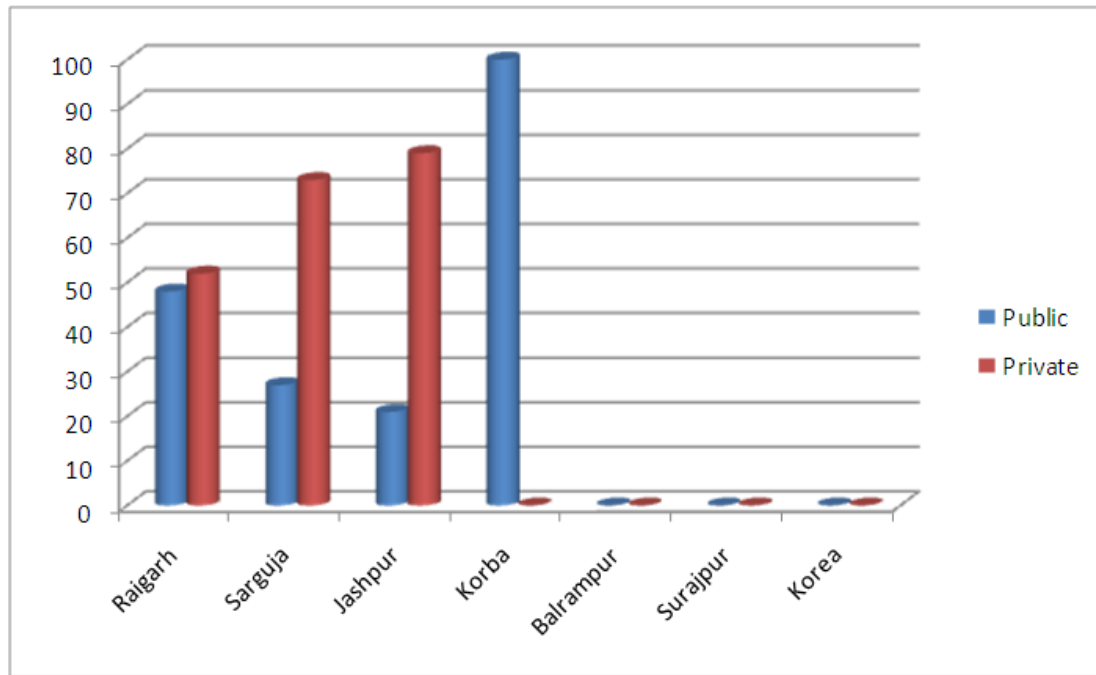


Fig. 1: Graph representing Employment Potential in Public and Private handloom sectors of Northern Chhattisgarh

It is found that 100% employment potential in Korba is from public sector while Raigarh, Sarguja and Jashpur show higher percentage of employment in private sector as compared to public sector.

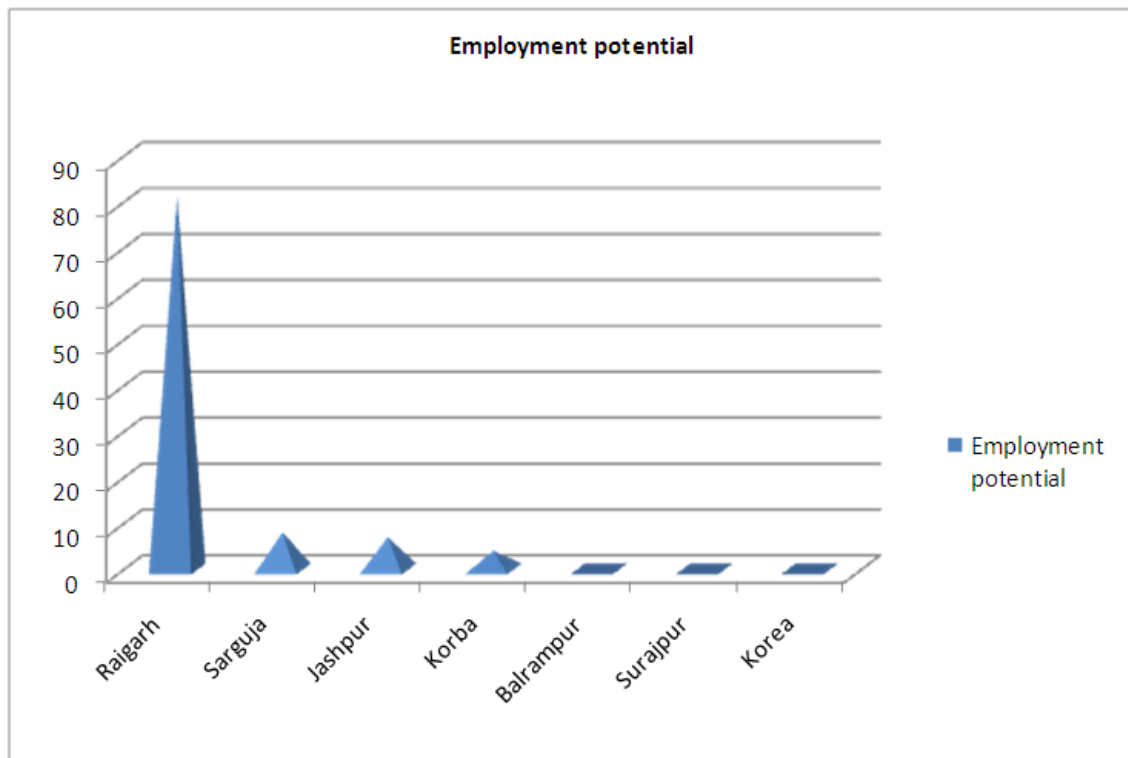


Fig. 2: Graph representing Employment Potential in Northern Chhattisgarh

It is clear that Raigarh acquires first position in achieving higher employment potential while Korba shows least employment potential in Northern Chhattisgarh. Balrampur, Surajpur and Korea are present with no employment potential in Northern Chhattisgarh.

Table 2: Employment Potential in Public and Private Handloom Sectors of Central Chhattisgarh

S. No.	Districts	Employment Potential		Total
		Public	Private	
1	Janjgir - Champa	3963 (33%)	7920 (67%)	11883 (33.28%)
2	Rajnandgaon	6537 (100%)	0	6537 (18.33%)
3	Balod	5091 (100%)	0	5091 (14.26%)
4	Mahasamund	1554 (36%)	2766 (64%)	4320 (12.11%)
5	Baloda Bazar	2367 (76%)	735 (24%)	3102 (8.68%)
6	Gariaband	1950 (100%)	0	1950 (5.47%)
7	Bilaspur	903 (88%)	120 (12%)	1023 (2.86%)
8	Dhamtari	630 (100%)	0	630 (1.76%)
9	Raipur	504 (100%)	0	504 (1.41%)
10	Durg	474 (100%)	0	474 (1.32%)
11	Bemetara	111 (100%)	0	111 (0.31%)
12	Mungeli	57 (100%)	0	57 (0.16%)
13	Kabirdham	15 (100%)	0	15 (0.05%)
Total		24156	11541	35697

It is revealed that Rajnandgaon, Balod, Gariaband, Dhamtari, Raipur, Durg, Bemetara and Mungeli have no employment regarding handloom activities in Private sector. It employs workers only in Public Sector. Janjgir-Champa and Mahasamund are districts of Central Chhattisgarh comprising more employment potential in private sector. Overall Central Chhattisgarh shows more employment potential in Public Sector.

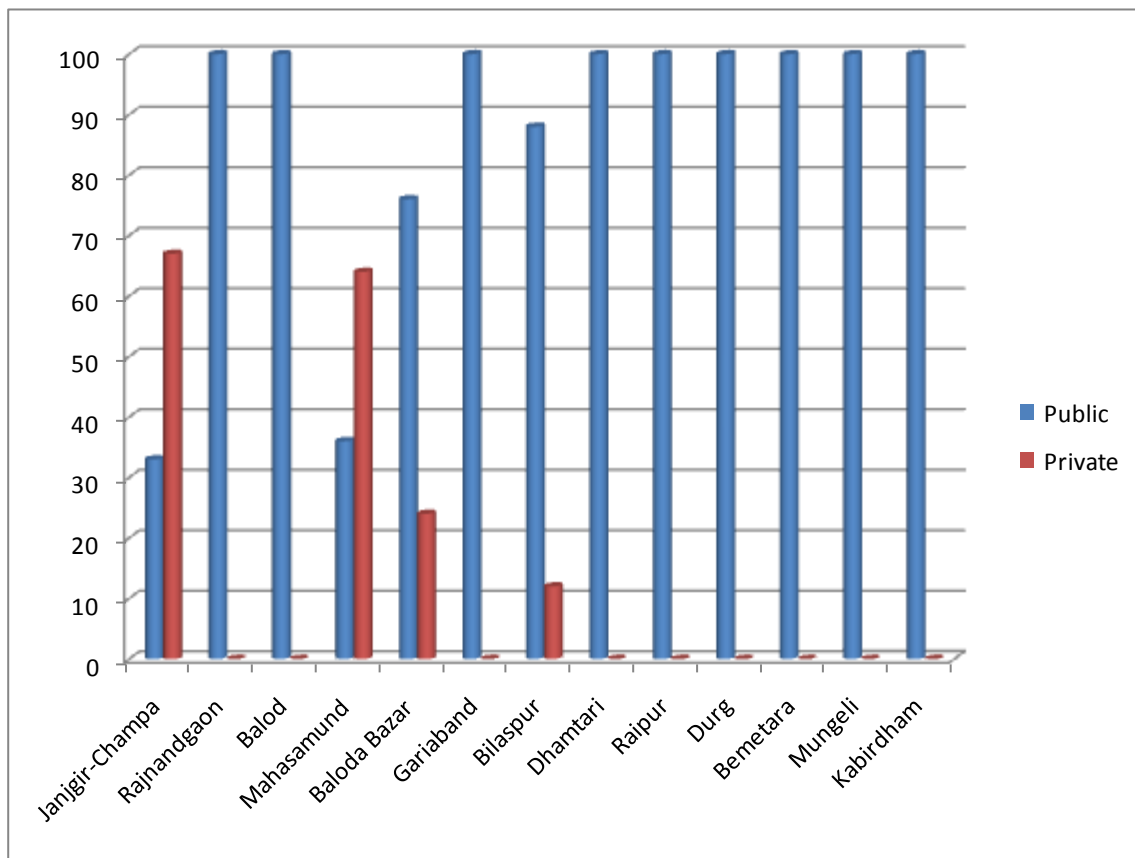


Fig. 3: Graph representing Employment Potential in Public and Private handloom sectors of Central Chhattisgarh

It is identified that Janjgir-Champa, Mahasamund, Balodabazar and Bilaspur comprises of employment in both public and private sector. Except these districts, all other districts show employment in public handloom sector only. Janjgir-Champa and Mahasamund show 67% and 64% employment in private sector which is more as compared to public handloom sector while Balodabazar and Bilaspur show 24% and 12% employment in private sector which is far less as compared to public handloom sector in Central Chhattisgarh.

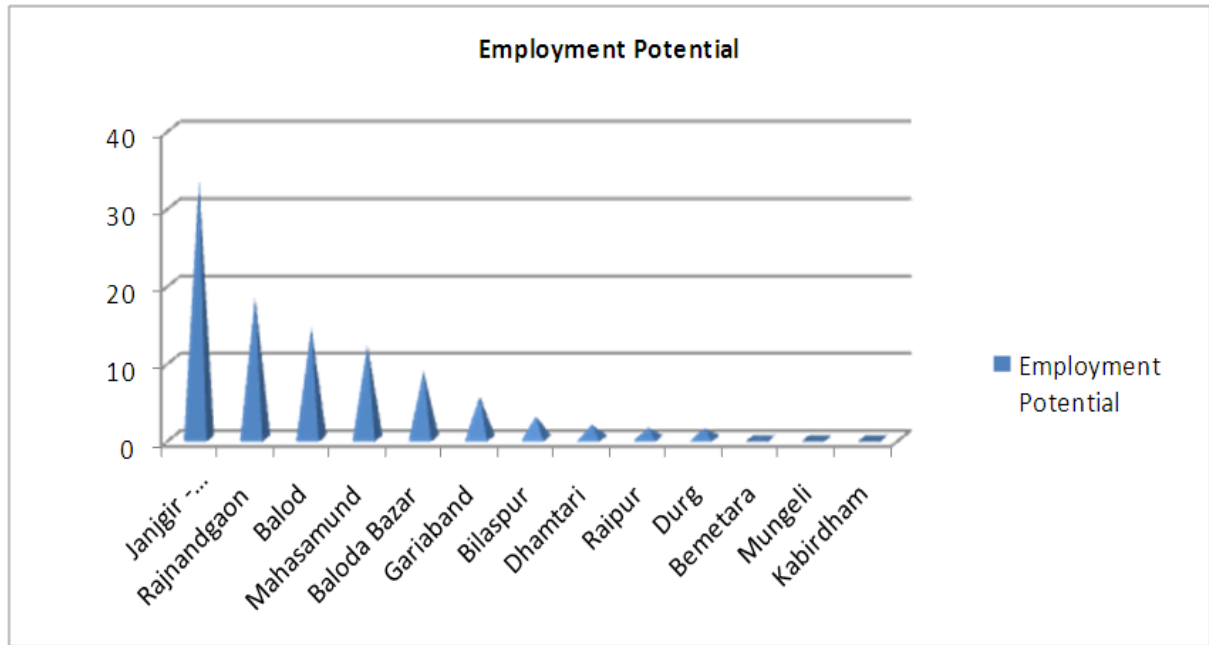


Fig. 4: Graph representing Employment Potential in Central Chhattisgarh

It is shown that Janjgir-Champa is employing maximum number of workers indicating highest employment potential in overall Central Chhattisgarh. Bemetara, Mungeli and Kabirdham are districts present with limited employment potential in handloom sectors of Central Chhattisgarh.

Table 3: Employment Potential in Public and Private Handloom Sectors of Southern Chhattisgarh

S. No.	Districts	Employment Potential		Total
		Public	Private	
1	Bastar	3450 (91%)	330 (9%)	3780 (76%)
2	Kondagaon	339 (100%)	0	339 (7%)
3	Dantewada	60 (22%)	213 (78%)	273 (6%)
4	Kanker	555 (100%)	0	555 (11%)
5	Bijapur	-	-	-
6	Sukma	-	-	-
7	Narayanpur	-	-	-
Total		4404	543	4947

It is known that Bijapur, Sukma and Narayanpur of Southern Chhattisgarh have no employment potential so handloom activities cannot be expected in this region. Bastar and Dantewada are two districts in Southern Chhattisgarh that show employment in Private handloom sector. However, employment potential is more in public handloom sector of Southern Chhattisgarh.

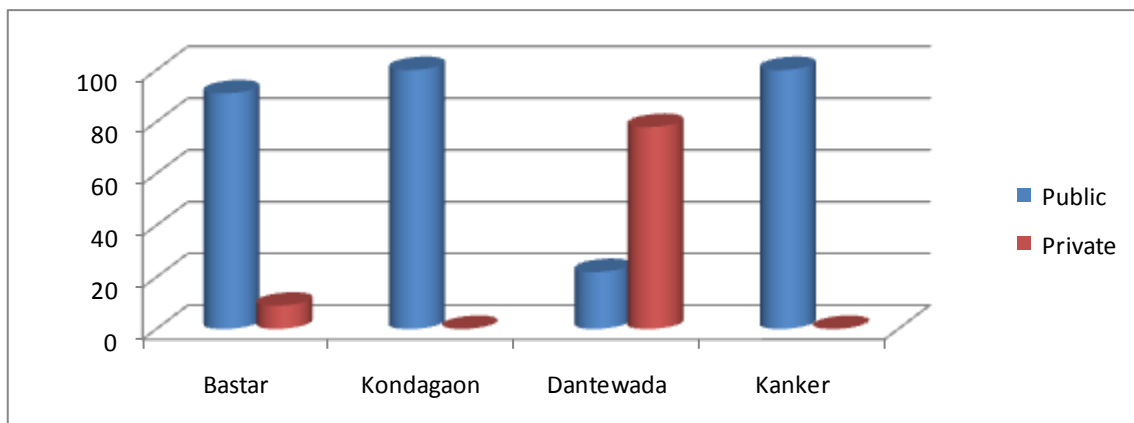


Fig. 5: Graph representing Employment Potential in Public and Private handloom sectors of Southern Chhattisgarh

It can be stated that Kondagaon and Kanker of Southern Chhattisgarh employ workers in public handloom sector only while Dantewada is the only district in Southern Chhattisgarh showing 78% employment in private sector which is much higher as compared to public handloom sector. Bastar comprises of limited employment in private sectors.

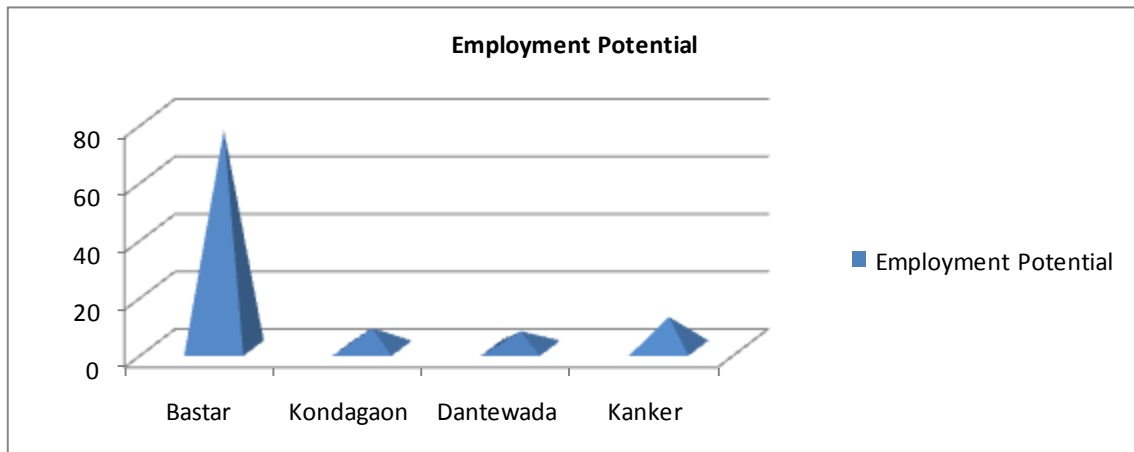


Fig. 6: Graph representing Employment Potential in Public and Private handloom sectors of Southern Chhattisgarh

Here Bastar presents with higher percentage of employment potential as compared to other districts in Southern Chhattisgarh. Dantewada shows least employment potential in Southern Chhattisgarh amongst all districts.

Table 4: Employment Potential in Public and Private Handloom Sectors with respect to various regions of Chhattisgarh State

S. No.	Regions	Employment Potential		Total
		Public	Private	
1	Northern	3405 (46%)	3942 (54%)	7347 (16%)
2	Central	24156 (68%)	11541 (32%)	35697 (74%)
3	Southern	4404 (89%)	543 (11%)	4947 (10%)
Total		31965	16026	47991

It is observed that only Northern Region of Chhattisgarh presents with higher employment potential in private handloom sector while Central and Southern region of Chhattisgarh employ more workers in public sector as compared to private handloom sector.

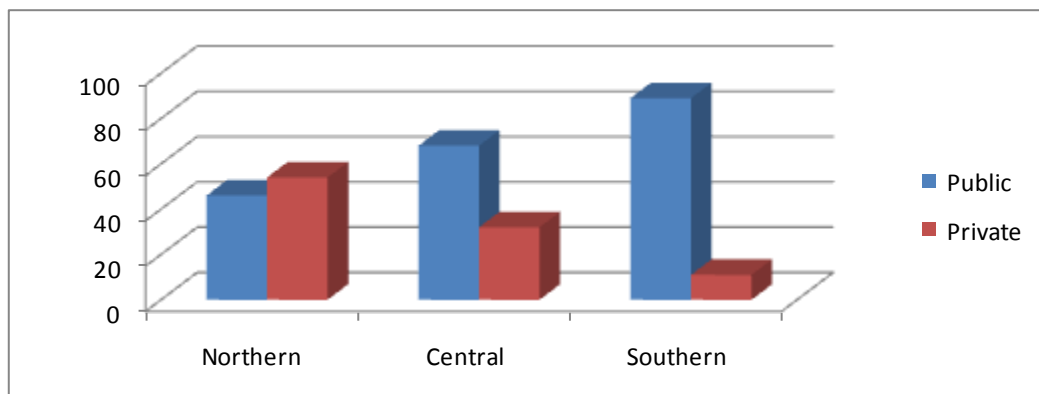


Fig. 7: Employment Potential in Public and Private handloom sectors of Chhattisgarh State

It is clear that Northern Region shows 54% employment in Private sector which is little as compared to Public handloom sector in Chhattisgarh while employment potential percentage of Central and Southern Chhattisgarh is 68% and 89% which is much higher as compared to private sector in that region.

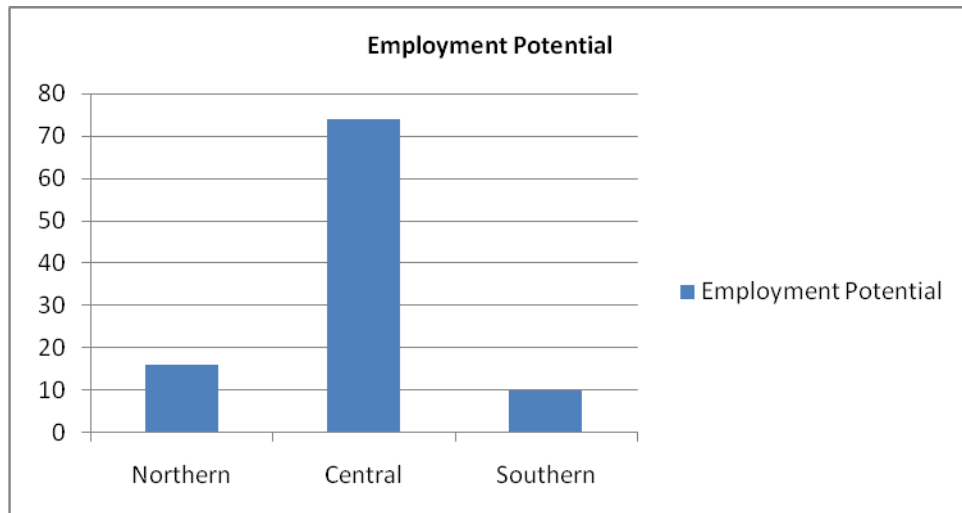


Fig. 8: Graph representing Employment Potential in Chhattisgarh State

It is identified that Central Region of Chhattisgarh have higher employment potential 74% as compared to Northern and Southern Chhattisgarh. Employment Percentage in Northern Chhattisgarh is little bit higher than Southern Chhattisgarh.

IV. CONCLUSION

It is concluded that Raigarh employs maximum number of workers while Korba shows least employment potential as compared to other districts in Northern Chhattisgarh. Raigarh, Sarguja and Jashpur of Northern Chhattisgarh acquire more employment in private handloom sector as compared to public handloom sector. Korba is the only district in Northern Chhattisgarh with no employment in private handloom sector. Here four districts provide employment to people regarding handloom activities, except three districts namely, Balrampur, Surajpur and Korea in Northern Chhattisgarh.

In Central Chhattisgarh, Janjgir-Champa, Mahasamund, Baloda Bazar and Bilaspur are only districts which employ workers in private handloom sector also. Janjgir-Champa and Mahasamund provide more employment to workers in private handloom sectors. Of all these two districts, all eleven districts in Central Chhattisgarh comprising more employment potential in public handloom sector. Janjgir-Champa appears as largest employment provider while Kabirdham as least employment provider in Central Chhattisgarh. Each and every districts of Central Chhattisgarh provide employment to handloom workers which allow the people to remain engaged in handloom activities.

In Southern Chhattisgarh, Bastar and Dantewada are only districts that show employment in private handloom sector. Even Bastar is the only district in Southern Chhattisgarh which employs more workers in private handloom sector. Meanwhile, Bastar here presents with higher employment potential as compared to other districts in Southern Chhattisgarh. Kanker employs least number of workers in Southern Chhattisgarh. Of total seven districts, four districts of Southern Chhattisgarh provide employment to people either in public or private handloom sector as similar to Northern Chhattisgarh. Bijapur, Sukma and Narayanpur are three districts that show no employment in Southern Chhattisgarh.

Northern Region shows higher employment potential in private handloom sector, unlike Central and Southern Region. Maximum employment is generated in public handloom sector and that too is acquired by Central Chhattisgarh. In other words, Central region of Chhattisgarh shows higher employment potential in overall Chhattisgarh state.

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