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SIDR Craft is a social, artisan-based enterprise established in 1992 and led by Abdullah and Abduljabbar Khatri. They employ approximately 200 craftswomen in Kutch, Gujarat, India. Bandhani scarves can take weeks and often months to complete. The handcrafted scarves are composed of highly intricate patterns that are literally tied into the fabric and then dyed using a complex dying process. “We’ve been fascinated with our traditional craft since childhood. In 1992, we started tie-dyeing professionally, making cotton dresses, dupattas and sarees for Indian markets. It’s very fulfilling that our work leads to a sustainable livelihood for around 250 artisan women in rural Kutch.”