Patka

Place of origin: Machilipatnam (probably, made)
Date: late 18th century (made)
Artist/Maker: Unknown
Materials and Techniques: Printed, painted and dyed cotton
Museum number: IM.87-1923
Gallery location: In Storage

Descriptive line
Man's sash (patka) or waistband in printed, painted and dyed cotton, probably made in Machilipatnam, late 18th century

Physical description
Long and narrow sash (patka) or waistband in printed, painted and dyed cotton. With a plain field and a deep border at each end with a design of long pink flower sprays. Hand-painted in dye colours. With a horizontal row of eight repetitions of a plant bearing five red flowers and delicate poppy-like foliage. Above this are four narrow bands of wavy stems with flowers and borders the whole is a slightly broader band of the same undulating motive. In two shades of red, sage-green and black.

Dimensions
Length: 134 in, Width: 25 in

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Object history note
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