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Provenience: Africa, N. Nigeria, Bornu Province.**People or Culture:** Kanuri.**Object:** Woman's undertrain.**Material:** Cotton.**Description:** Woman's undertrain made of indigo strips of cotton sewn together to form rectangular piece of cloth. One side has metallic shine to it, other side is dull.**Acc. Coll.:** Worn wrapped around waist, leaving very long end like train carried over one arm. Cloth or lifdla nashi(lifdla-blue) is Nigerian cotton spun by women, men weave it, and strips are sewn together. Men dye cloth in indigo. In case of highly valued lifdla nashi, it not

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Dimensions:
(in cm.)

Length-306.0, width-163.0. (over)

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(continued from front)-only is dyed but indigo is literally beaten on, giving a sheen and rubbing off onto skin of the wearer.

