weave factor P1 on fabric wicking are not found, and the determination coefficient of dependence ( $R^2 = 0.707$ ) is low for horizontally striped fabrics.

After summarising all the weaves, the overall dependence was established, shown in *Figure 7*. In this dependence, the rate of wicking increases as weave factor *P1* increases. The determination coefficient of dependence is low. Therefore we can assert that, after summarising all the weave points, the relation between fabric wicking and the fabric weave factor *P1* was not established. The underlying reasons for these results are difficult to explain at this point.

## Conclusion

After weaving fabrics on a projectile desk loom from P/V 19.5 tex twisted 65/35 blended yarn in different weaves and conducting vertical wicking on these fabrics, we came to these conclusions:

- The character of fabric wicking in weaves with evenly distributed floats and horizontally striped weaves is different
- The wicking rate of fabrics in weaves with evenly distributed floats is lower than that of fabrics in horizontally striped weaves.
- As weave factor P1 increases, the rate of wicking also shows a tendency to rise.
- 4. A correlation is observed between weave factor *P1* and the rate of wicking for evenly distributed floats in both the warp and weft directions.
- 5. The influence of weave factor *P1* on the rate of wicking was not established for horizontally striped fabrics for both the warp and weft directions.
- The overall dependence of fabric wicking on weave factor P1 was not established.

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