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<b>GOOD QUALITY TEXTILES A RARITY IN INDIAN MARKETS, SAYS MADHU JAIN (Interview)</b>	<b>Business Standard</b> <a href="http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ians/good-quality-textiles-a-rarity-in-indian-markets-says-madhu-jain-interview-116091400398_1.html">http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ians/good-quality-textiles-a-rarity-in-indian-markets-says-madhu-jain-interview-116091400398_1.html</a>
<p>Craft revivalist and textile conservationist Madhu Jain, known for promoting indigenous forms of textile weaving and design in her almost 30 year-long career, says it's difficult to find good quality textiles in the Indian market nowadays. She also feels that unlike in the West, there is no quality control in India and this results into many problems.</p> <p>"Nowadays good quality textiles are becoming a rarity in Indian markets. Weavers and craftspeople are increasingly tech-savvy and know exactly what the current market influences are. A weaver can click on any website to see how much a kurta woven by him is selling for in the open market. And naturally, they want a piece of that pie as well," Jain told IANS in an interaction here.</p> <p>She explained how, if weavers don't get the rates, they know they should command, the result is a drop in quality. "Weavers don't want to spend hours over their looms producing fine products when they can get away with quicker weaves. And designers pick up whatever is available in the market. That's mass marketing."</p>	

<b>CIVIC BODY COMES TO THE RESCUE OF SURAT TEXTILE SECTOR</b>	<b>Fibre2fashion.com</b> <a href="http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/civic-body-comes-to-the-rescue-of-surat-textile-sector-191589-newsdetails.htm">http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/civic-body-comes-to-the-rescue-of-surat-textile-sector-191589-newsdetails.htm</a>
<p>The civic body of India's biggest manmade fibre fabric hub, Surat is expanding its existing tertiary treatment plant (TTP) by increasing the capacity of the plant to 80 million litres per day (MLD) at a cost of Rs 100 crore. The new TTP will supply an additional 40 MLD recycled water to textile dyeing and printing mills in the Pandesara GIDC area of Surat.</p> <p>According to a Times of India report, Pandesara GIDC has the highest presence of textile dyeing and printing mills, which number to around 100 and need fresh water round the clock.</p> <p>Since the existing TTP is not able to supply the required amount of water to these units, the civic body on a request from these companies, is upgrading the TTP to meet the water requirement.</p>	

<p><b>MORE THAN 12,000 BUYERS VISIT GARTEX 2016</b></p>	<p><b>Fibre2fashion.com</b>  <a href="http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/more-than-12-000-buyers-visit-gartex-2016-191585-newsdetails.htm">http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/more-than-12-000-buyers-visit-gartex-2016-191585-newsdetails.htm</a></p>
<p>More than 12,000 buyers visited Gartex 2016, the trade show for digital textile printing technology, garment manufacturing machines, embroidery machines, sewing machines, etc held in New Delhi from August 27-29, 2016. These buyers came from garment manufacturing hubs like Delhi NCR, Surat, Jaipur, Mumbai, and Ludhiana and also from foreign countries.</p> <p>Gartex 2016 which hosted more than 75 exhibitors representing more than 150 brands witnessed three days of product demonstrations, information exchange, networking and closing of deals.</p> <p>The show saw exhibitors like Baba Textile Machinery, Aura Technologies and Stitch Technologies displaying embroidery technologies. The digital printing machine sector was represented by Mimaki, Negi Sign Systems, Arrow Digital, Orange O Tec, Apsom Technologies, Colorjet, etc.</p> <p>In the apparel accessories segment, Label Solutions, Arrow Textiles Limited, YKK India Pvt. Ltd., Dona Doni Fashion, Redwood Narrow Fabric and Wenzhou Muse were among the exhibitors.</p>	

<p><b>INDIA'S WPI INFLATION RISES TO 3.74% IN AUGUST 2016</b></p>	<p><b>Fibre2fashion.com</b>  <a href="http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/india-s-wpi-inflation-rises-to-3-74-in-august-2016-191592-newsdetails.htm">http://www.fibre2fashion.com/news/textile-news/india-s-wpi-inflation-rises-to-3-74-in-august-2016-191592-newsdetails.htm</a></p>
<p>India's annual rate of inflation, based on monthly wholesale price index (WPI), stood at 3.74 per cent for August 2016 over corresponding month of the previous year. Accordingly, build up inflation rate in the financial year 2016-17 so far is 4.45 per cent compared to a build up rate of 0.23 per cent in the corresponding period of the 2015-16.</p> <p>Annual rate of inflation was 3.55 per cent for June 2016 and minus 5.06 per cent in August 2015.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the official WPI for all commodities (Base: 2004-05 = 100) for the month of August, 2016 declined by 0.4 per cent to 183.1 from 183.9 for the previous month, according to the provisional data released by the Office of the Economic Adviser, ministry of commerce and industry.</p> <p>The index for manufactured products (weight 64.97 per cent) for August, 2016 rose by 0.2 per cent to 156.7 from 156.4 for the previous month. The index for textiles sub-group also rose by 0.4 per cent to 142.1 from 141.5 for the previous month due to higher price of jute sacking bag (5 per cent) and jute sacking cloth, cotton yarn and man-made fabric (1 per cent each). However, the price of gunny and hessian cloth declined 2 per cent.</p>	

<p><b>LAMBODHARA TEXTILE JUMPS ON ENTERING INTO LEASE AGREEMENT</b></p>	<p><b>Live Mint Markets</b>  <a href="http://money.livemint.com/news/equity/movers-today/lambodhara-textile-jumps-on-entering-into-lease-agreement-490369.aspx">http://money.livemint.com/news/equity/movers-today/lambodhara-textile-jumps-on-entering-into-lease-agreement-490369.aspx</a></p>
<p>Lambodhara Textiles is currently trading at Rs. 107.75, up by 6.20 points or 6.11% from its previous closing of Rs 101.55 on the BSE. The scrip opened at Rs. 106.50 and has touched a high and low of Rs. 113.20 and Rs. 102.10 respectively. So far 32997 shares were traded on the counter.</p> <p>The BSE group 'B' stock of face value Rs. 5 has touched a 52 week high of Rs. 490.00 on 06-Oct-2015 and a 52 week low of Rs. 90.60 on 01-Jul-2016. Last one week high and low of the scrip stood at Rs. 113.20 and Rs. 95.05 respectively. The current market cap of the company is Rs. 101.40 crore.</p> <p>The promoters holding in the company stood at 68.47%, while Institutions and Non-Institutions held 0.32% and 31.21% respectively.</p> <p>Lambodhara Textile has entered into lease agreement with M/s. Suriya Spinning Mills Unit B and M/s. Sri Akkamma Textiles to utilize their spare capacity of 3,024 spindles and 6,048 spindles respectively for conversion of fiber into yarn. The conversion is to commence from November 2016. This will enhance the spinning capacity of the company and will have an impact on the overall performance of the Company.</p> <p>Lambodhara Textiles operates a yarn producing mill. The Company specializes in synthetic yarns.</p>	

<p><b>SMRITI IRANI INAUGURATES APPAREL AND GARMENT MAKING CENTER IN PASIGHAT</b></p>	<p><b>Yarnsandfibres.com</b>  <a href="http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/smriti-irani-inaugurates-apparel-and-garment-making-center-pasighat#.V9nvcVt97Dc">http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/smriti-irani-inaugurates-apparel-and-garment-making-center-pasighat#.V9nvcVt97Dc</a></p>
<p>Union Textile Minister Smriti Zubin Irani inaugurated an Apparel and Garment Making Center on Tuesday at Gumin Nagar, Pasighat in presence of Chief Minister Pema Khandu, Union MoS for Home, Kiren Rijiju, MoS for Textile, Ajay Tamta, State's Textile, Handicrafts and Cooperation, Minister Tapang Taloh and Lok Sabha MP, Ninong Ering. Union Minister Irani said that Arunachal Pradesh has the potential to promote the textiles sector and give a fillip to entrepreneurship and job creation.</p> <p>She informed that her ministry would set up six more incubation centers to bring modern ready-made garment industry in the state. This was one of the first organized efforts of Prime Minister Narendra Modi under the North East Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS) of the Ministry of Textiles.</p> <p>She extended her gratitude to the state government for its active support and cooperation without which the mission would not have been possible. Congratulating the entrepreneurs who would be running the facility, the Minister assured all possible support to them in making the units commercially viable and self-sustainable.</p> <p>It would give an opportunity to local entrepreneurs to convert their ideas and designs into flourishing businesses and opportunities to the unemployed trained youths and provide a fillip to the traditional sectors like handlooms and handicrafts to convert the traditional designs into modern garments and market opportunities, asserted the Union Minister.</p>	

<p><b>MORE WEAVERS UNDER MUDRA YOJANA</b></p>	<p><b>The Hindu</b>  <a href="http://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Hyderabad/more-weavers-under-mudra-yojana/article9109536.ece">http://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Hyderabad/more-weavers-under-mudra-yojana/article9109536.ece</a></p>
<p>The Telangana government has asked the officials of Handloom and Textiles Department to hold district-level meetings to ensure that more number of weavers were covered under the Mudra Yojana.</p> <p>It's a Central government scheme for the development and refinancing of micro units.</p> <p>Principal Secretary, Industries, Arvind Kumar, in a meeting with the department officials, Telangana State Cooperatives and Punjab National Bank officials, reviewed the status of loans being availed by the weavers under the Mudra Yojana here on Wednesday. The government was paying special attention to skill upgradation of weavers, ensuring availability of good quality raw material and providing better access to credit for good handloom products.</p> <p>Rajiv Puri, Deputy General Manager of PNB, said the bank would finance the weavers directly based on their track record. He also requested that all the payments should be routed through the bank account opened for the purpose and a Memorandum of Understanding be entered into between Telangana State Handloom Weavers' Cooperative Society, Directorate of Handlooms and Textiles and Bank to this effect.</p> <p>The individual members not covered under the cooperative societies would also be financed on case-to-case basis, he added.</p>	

<p><b>GARMENT MILLS ADVISED TO RUN HOSTELS AS PER NORMS</b></p>	<p><b>The Hindu</b>  <a href="http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/tp-tamilnadu/garment-mills-advised-to-run-hostels-as-per-norms/article9109269.ece">http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/tp-tamilnadu/garment-mills-advised-to-run-hostels-as-per-norms/article9109269.ece</a></p>
<p>Representatives of 25 spinning mills and garment units were sensitised to provisions of the Tamil Nadu Hostels and Homes for Women and Children (Regulation) Act, 2014, that mandates homes, hostel or lodging houses that accommodate women or children to obtain licence from the district administration.</p> <p>Hygiene, safety, protection, and building stability were among the topics discussed during the programme organised under the joint auspices of Department of Social Defence, Integrated Child Protection Scheme, District Child Protection Unit, and Rights Education and Development (READ) Centre, Sathyamangalam.</p> <p>The programme was conducted in the backdrop of 80 per cent of the workforce in the 418 mills in the district constituting young girls in the age group of 15 to 18 years. Participants were told that the physical fitness of the girls they employ was of foremost importance. While the young girls are required to work for only four hours, in most of the mills they are exploited with more duration of work, R. Karuppusamy, Director of READ, said. While there are 172 hostels attached to as many mills, only 33 have been registered under the Tamil Nadu Hostels and Homes for Women and Children (Regulation) Act, 2014.</p> <p>Many hostels have not been able to comply with the norm that there must be 40 sq ft per child and 120 sq feet per woman. Hostels failing to comply with the Act were urged to fall in line and avoid facing consequences</p>	

<b>COTTON PRICE TO TOUCH Rs6,000 PER QUINTAL</b>	<b>The Tribune</b> <a href="http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/bathinda/cotton-price-to-touch-rs6-000-per-quintal/295352.html">http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/bathinda/cotton-price-to-touch-rs6-000-per-quintal/295352.html</a>
<p>After a long time, this year the cotton farmers have a reason to smile as the price of their yield is about to touch Rs 6,000 per quintal. This is despite the reduction in area under cotton in Bathinda and Mansa districts. However, farmers in Mansa district have got the highest rate to date for their yield. Last year, the price of cotton yield went much below the MSP, following which, Diwali turned black for farmers. This year has seen a bumper crop following control of whitefly.</p> <p>In Mansa, farmers have got Rs 5,800 for a quintal of cotton yield while in Bathinda, the farmers have got about Rs 5,750 per quintal. Till Wednesday, about 2,662 quintal of cotton arrived and was procured in Mansa while in Bathinda, 2,436 quintal of cotton produce was procured. On Wednesday, 832 quintals of cotton yield in Mansa and 796 quintals in Bathinda was procured.</p>	

<b>TEXTILE GROWTH PROGRAMME LAUNCHED TO SUPPORT TEXTILE SECTOR IN UK</b>	<b>Yarnsandfibres.com</b> <a href="http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/textile-growth-programme-launched-support-textile-sector-uk#.V9nr8Ft97Dc">http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/textile-growth-programme-launched-support-textile-sector-uk#.V9nr8Ft97Dc</a>
<p>The £97m Textiles Growth Programme has been launched focused on Greater Manchester, Lancashire and West Yorkshire where the UK's historic textile and clothing sector and homeware manufacturing is concentrated to support capital projects, skills training and research and development. The programme is aimed at businesses within the textiles sector, and covers manufacturers from carpets to clothing, as well as industry suppliers, such as textile machinery manufacturers and designers.</p> <p>A combination of capital and revenue grants are available for projects related to new or improved premises, plant, machinery, equipment, energy efficiency, workforce training, research and development and products. As the popularity of their products grew, directors Yanni and Charis Kioupouroglou recognised the need for a significant expansion programme, including the purchase of new equipment so they could increase production capacity and cater for the growing demand.</p>	

<b>BOOST IN VIETNAMESE GARMENT EXPORTS TO MEXICO AFTE TTP IMPLEMENTS</b>	<b>Yarnsandfibres.com</b> <a href="http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/boost-vietnamese-garment-exports-mexico-after-ttp-implements#.V9nv5Ft97Dc">http://www.yarnsandfibres.com/news/textile-news/boost-vietnamese-garment-exports-mexico-after-ttp-implements#.V9nv5Ft97Dc</a>
<p>The Vietnam Textile and Garment Association (VITAS) and Mexico's National Chamber of Textile Industry (Canaintex) after the implementation of Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) expects the value of Vietnamese exports to double in 3-4 years to Mexico as tariff on Vietnamese goods exported to Mexico would fall to zero from the current 30 percent. Canaintex representatives said that with TPP agreement coming into effect, Vietnam's garment and textile exports will rise sharply and its market share in TPP member countries would increase substantially due to preferential tax policies. According to VITAs, Vietnam has targeted to increase its garment and textile exports from \$28 billion at present to \$50 billion by 2020. Of the \$28 billion, nearly \$11 billion worth of garments were exported to the US, another TPP member country, last year. A delegation from Canaintex recently visited Vietnam to lay foundation for bilateral garment cooperation between the two countries. The team during their one week stay in Vietnam visited several factories and a garment and textile industrial park.</p>	