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விசைத்தறியாளர் உண்ணாவிரதம்	Dinamalar http://www.dinamalar.com/news_detail.asp?id=1609671
<p>பல்லடம் : கூலியை குறைத்து வழங்குவதாக கூறி, கூலிக்கு நெசவு செய்யும் விசைத்தறியாளர்கள், பல்லடத்தில் நேற்று, குடும்பத்துடன் உண்ணாவிரதம் மேற்கொண்டனர்.</p> <p>போராட்டத்துக்கு, விசைத்தறி உரிமையாளர்கள் சங்க மாவட்ட தலைவர் வேலுச்சாமி தலைமை ஏற்றார். மங்கலம் ஒன்றிய தலைவர் வேலுச்சாமி, 63 வேலம்பாளையம் பத்மநாபன் மற்றும் நிர்வாகிகள் முன்னிலை வகித்தனர்.</p> <p>விசைத்தறியாளர் சங்க தலைவர் பேசியதாவது:</p> <p>பல்வேறு போராட்டங்கள் நடத்தி, 2011ஆம் ஆண்டு, ஒப்பந்த அடிப்படையில் கூலி உயர்வு, 27 சதவீதமாக அறிவிக்கப்பட்டது. இந்த ஒப்பந்த கூலியை பெறுவதற்கு, 3 ஆண்டு கடந்து விட்டது. ஜவுளி தொழிலில் முன்னேற்றமில்லாததை காரணம் காட்டி, ஜவுளி உற்பத்தியாளர்கள் ஒப்பந்த அடிப்படையில், நிர்ணயிக்கப்பட்ட கூலியை வழங்க மறுக்கின்றனர்.</p> <p>2011ஆம் ஆண்டு கூலியையே இன்னும் வழங்கி வருகின்றனர். இதனால், 90 சதவீத விசைத்தறிகள் இயங்குவதில்லை. நஷ்டத்தின் காரணமாக விசைத்தறியாளர்களின் வாழ்வாதாரத்திற்கு பாதிப்பு ஏற்பட்டு வருகின்றது, என்றார்.</p> <p>பல்லடம், மங்கலம், 63 வேலம்பாளையம் பகுதியை சேர்ந்த விசைத்தறி உரிமையாளர்கள், குடும்பத்துடன் உண்ணாவிரதத்தில் பங்கேற்கின்றனர்.</p>	

OWNERS OF POWER LOOM JOB WORKING UNIT, FASMIIES OBSERVE FAST	The Hindu http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/tamil-nadu/owners-of-power-loom-job-working-units-families-observe-fast/article9122671.ece
Owners of about 12,000 power loom job working units at Palladam and Mangalam areas and their families observed a	

fast near here on Sunday.

They were alleging that job work charges were not given at the increased slabs by the master weavers for whom they produced the fabrics.

“As per the three-year agreement signed by the power loom job working units with the master weavers in 2014, the job work charges have been increased by 27 per cent from then prevailed rates. However, the increased charges were given for the first few months and then the promises were violated,” said R. Velusamy, president of Tirupur District Job Work Power loom Weavers Association.

Counter claim

When contacted, M. Duraisamy, president of Tirupur District Power loom Cloth Manufacturers Association, the representative body master weavers, pointed out that there were no written pacts between master weavers and job working unit owners in the history.

“There used to be only dialogues and rates are fixed orally. In the present case, the 27 per cent they talk about is the one they looked to have made with certain master weavers of Avinashi, Somanur and Palladam areas after the respective authorised associations of master weavers in the said regions were dissolved a few years ago,” he added.

POWERLOOM JOB WORKING UNIT OWNERS GO ON HUNGER STRIKE	Business Standard http://www.business-standard.com/article/pti-stories/powerloom-job-working-unit-owners-go-on-hunger-strike-116091800483_1.html
<p>Owners of nearly 500 powerloom job working units in nearby Tirupur district observed a one-day fast today to protest against the lesser wages being paid by the cloth merchants to weavers, in violation of an agreement signed in 2014.</p> <p>The unit owners had entered into an agreement with the cloth merchants in 2014, to provide 27 percent hike in wages for weaving fabrics.</p> <p>However, the weavers alleged that the merchants were paying lesser than what had been agreed for, during the last few days.</p>	

கேரளாவில் ஓணம்; தமிழக கைத்தறி ஆடைகள் ரூ.5 கோடிக்கு விற்பனை	Dinamalar http://www.dinamalar.com/news_detail.asp?id=1609735
<p>ஊட்டி:ஓணம் பண்டிகையை முன்னிட்டு, ஐந்து கோடி ரூபாய்க்கு, தமிழக கைத்தறி ஆடைகள் கேரளாவில் விற்பனையாகி உள்ளது.தமிழக கூட்டுறவு துறையின் கீழ் செயல்படும், 'கோ- ஆப்டெக்ஸ்' கடைகள் மூலம், பல்வேறு கைத்தறி ஆடைகள் மற்றும் கைவினை பொருட்கள், விற்பனை செய்யப்படுகின்றன. கேரளாவில், சாலக்குடி, ஆலப்புழா, அங்கமாலி, திருச்சூர், கோழிக்கோடு உட்பட, ஏழு இடங்களில் கோ- ஆப்டெக்ஸ் கடைகள் செயல்படுகின்றன.</p> <p>நடந்து முடிந்த ஓணம் பண்டிகையை முன்னிட்டு, இக்கடைகளில், சேலத்தில் தயாரிக்கப்பட்ட கேரள பாரம்பரிய ஆடையான செட் முண்டு, நாகர்கோவில் சேலைகள்,</p>	

அதிகளவில் விற்கப்பட்டுள்ளன.கோ ஆப்டெக்ஸ் கோவை மண்டல மேலாளர் கூறுகையில், 'தமிழகத்தில் நெய்யப்படும் வேட்டி, சேலைகளை கேரள மக்கள் விரும்பி வாங்குகின்றனர். கேரளாவில் உள்ள கோ ஆப்டெக்ஸ் கடைகளில், ஒணம் பண்டிகையை முன்னிட்டு, ஐந்து கோடி ரூபாய் அளவுக்கு விற்பனையாகி உள்ளது' என்றார்.

HOSIERY INDUSTRY INCURS LOSS OF OVER Rs100 CRORE	The Tribune http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/ludhiana/hosiery-industry-incurs-loss-of-over-rs100-crore/297351.html
<p>The textile industry in the city has incurred a loss of over Rs 100 crore.</p> <p>Reason: Violence in Kashmir. Several hosiery units supplying goods to Kashmir have suspended production and a majority of these have closed down.</p> <p>The textile industry has been supplying shawls, jackets, sweaters, gloves, caps, warmers and blankets to Jammu and Kashmir.</p> <p>Many noted knitwear houses manufacturing shawls have sent their raw material to Kashmir for its famous embroidery. The plane raw material is stuck up ever since the unrest started in Kashmir.</p> <p>"The Ludhiana hosiery industry has suffered a loss of nearly Rs100 crore due to the unrest in Kashmir. I am also suffering a loss of over Rs20 lakh as the shawls I had sent to Kashmir for embroidery has been stuck due to the unrest following the killing of terrorist Burhan Wani," said Tarun Jain, Chairman, Bahadur-Ke-Textile and Knitwear Association.</p> <p>"If a hosiery industry will close down, it will affect other sectors as well. For example, nearly 40,000 labourers are working in factory units located in Bhadaur Ke cluster. If an average worker is married and has two children then over 1.5 lakh people are dependent on the industry. Further, there are cycle and motor mechanics, printers and other traders who are also dependent on the industry. So the unrest is causing trouble not only to Kashmiris, but the hosiery industry as well and the people associated with the trade," said Tarun Jain, adding that the government should take stern action and quell the protest.</p>	

THAI GARMENT EXPORTS TIPPED TO DROP FURTHER	The Nation http://www.nationmultimedia.com/business/Thai-garment-exports-tipped-to-drop-further-30295608.html
<p>Vallop Vitanakorn, an adviser to the Thai Garment Manufacturers Association, said after expanding investments to Cambodia and Vietnam over the past four years, manufacturers were expected to generate US\$600 million (Bt21 billion) in overseas sales this year.</p> <p>Vallop said that as a result, garment exports from Thailand were forecast to declined about 7 per cent to \$2.55 billion but that was not an alarming development.</p> <p>"Exports from the industry will grow strongly from neighbouring countries in particular Cambodia and Vietnam ... If we include the export figure from neighbouring countries, Thai garment exports have still increased and will not be worth less than \$3.15 billion this year," he said.</p> <p>The estimated \$600 million in sales from overseas this year will be contributed from 33 apparel manufacturers</p>	

operating in Cambodia and Vietnam. They had a combined initial investment capital of about Bt4 billion.

Vallop said more garment enterprises would expand businesses to neighbouring countries, with Myanmar a potential option if it had stable infrastructure development.

AGRICULTURE: 'CONSULT GROWERS ON COTTON SUPPORT PRICE'

The Express Tribune

<http://tribune.com.pk/story/1183897/agriculture-consult-growers-cotton-support-price/>

LAHORE: Jamaat-i-Islami chief Sirajul Haq has demanded that the chief minister fix support price of paddy at Rs2,500 per maund and to consult growers before fixing the price of cotton.

The senator was speaking to Kissan Board president Nisar Ahemd, who met him at Mansoor on Sunday. They told him about problems faced by the farming community.

Siraj said that uncultivated state land should be allotted to landless tillers. "Diesel and electricity should be provided for agricultural tube wells at subsidised rates." The JI said the government must allocate more resources for rural areas to improve the plight of the villagers.

He said there was a need to create a foolproof security system to ensure reasonable return to growers and to end exploitation by middlemen. He said new dams should be constructed to improve irrigation water resources.

Had said the government had left the country's rural population at the mercy of feudal lords who "treated them like animals". The JI chief said the government's policies had ruined agriculture and that farmers were finding it hard to make both ends meet.

HOWELL: DOMESTIC ENDING STOCKS BOOST WEIGHS SOME ON COTTON MARKET

Lubbock Avalanche - Journal

<http://lubbockonline.com/agriculture/2016-09-18/howell-domestic-ending-stocks-boost-weighs-some-cotton-market#>

An unexpected increase in domestic ending stocks in updated supply-demand estimates amid disappointment that USDA didn't boost its export forecast weighed on cotton futures last week.

Benchmark December lost 157 points for the week ended Thursday to close at 67.72 cents. It shed 239 points on Monday on USDA's monthly supply demand report, fell to a seven-session low to 66.44 cents on follow-through selling and then closed higher three sessions in a row to regain 103 points of the largest one-day loss since Aug. 9.

The market came off the lows amid concerns about the cumulative effects on the Texas High Plains of low heat units slowing crop maturity and late-season rains stimulating regrowth.

Uncertainties about the effects of two tropical storms this month on cotton in the Southeast and of Typhoon Meranti on the crop in China, the world's largest cotton producer, added to the mix.

Analysts had expected USDA's monthly supply-demand estimates to show a larger U.S. crop, higher exports, stable domestic mill consumption and lower ending stocks. The world estimates were considered market neutral.