Dhaka Day by Day

The Only Store that Sells Grameen Check

by Aasha Mehreen Amin

characterized by clothes that are not only good to look at but also comfortable, practical and made of natural fibres. It is therefore not surprising that Grameen Check has made its mark in the world fashion market as it has all these qualities. This, together with the name it carries (Grameen) and the fact that even the First Lady of America wore the fabric, have made Grameen Check. somewhat, of a designer item.

The scenario at the local market, is however, a little different. Of course people have heard about it but until very recently checked cloth was only considered good for lungis or cheap saris for poor people. Now however, with its popularity in the West, Bangladeshis are taking a second look at this chequered 'proletariat' cloth. But for starters, one may ask, where is this cloth to be found? Fortunately, Belkuchi Shombhar, a store in Sobhanbag's Muhammadia market. is the only shop that sells Grameen Check garments and fabrics.

This is, no doubt, good news, especially for young people who want to be fashionable but don't always have the means to be so. Grameen Check cloth is fairly reasonable at 45 taka, a metre. "The stuff they call Grameen Check at 35 taka a meter at Chadni Chawk", says Belkucht's shopkeeper Muhammad Lokam. "is actually Madras

The fashion of the nineties seems to be check and of much poorer quality". Grameen check is colour fast and hundred per cent cotton, making it ideal for our climate. The checks are in pleasing colours bright yellows, reds and indigoes or cooling beiges, blues and bottle greens.

Students, especially, like the check shirts, informs Lokan, which are only 75 taka each. Other items include three piece shalwar kameez sets for women from 420 taka upwards, punjabis, children's frocks, fotuas etc. Some of them have been designed by Bibi Russel.

But selling trendy clothes is not the only motive behind Belkuchi Shombhar. The shop is part of a larger scheme to rehabilitate weavers whose skills had become obsolete.

Belkuchi Shombhar is a special place in Sirajganj where two and a half thousand tantis (weavers) make Grameen Check. Without any income many weavers had stopped their craft. Grameen Bank with improved technology and trendy designs, has managed to revive this age-old tradition. At present six thousand weavers are busy in making the checked cloth.

For the customers at Belkuchi Shombhar, this is the place where they can get clothes that are simple, yet trendy, as well as inexpensive. For the patriotic, Grameen Check is hundred per cent Bangladeshi.



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The resolution was, however, withdrawn by the The Education Minister member on the assurance of the minister.

SINGER

A compact disc of Mita Huq, an exponent of Tagore songs was launched yesterday, reports BSS.

Recorded by Sony Inc. JSA, the album titled Amar CAR-Metalic navy Blue, Model 1992 with Auto Mukti Aloy Aloy contains 16 number of the artiste.

Tagore celebrity Kalim Sharafi formally released the disc in the presence of a large number of music buffs at a function at the ballroom

Prof Anisuzzaman presided over the ceremony which was also addressed by Wahidul Huq, a connoisseur of Tagore songs, D H Khan, publisher of the disc and the

Prof Anisuzzaman said, one can boast of the excel-

D H Khan. Managing Dir ector of Beximco Pharma ceuticals, said he was happy to be associated with the publication of the compact disc of noted artiste.

Later Mita Huq presented

Tagore album launched

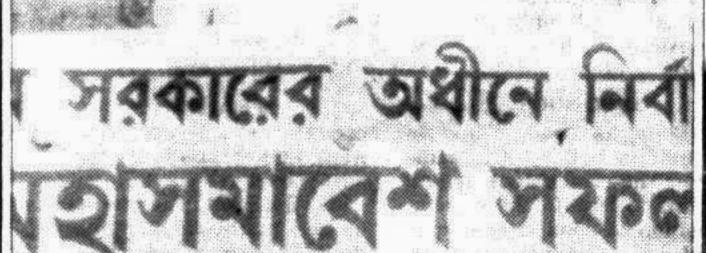
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Wahidul Huq praised the devotion of Mita in presenting Tagore songs correctly.

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The city unit of Jamaat-e-Islami Bangladesh brought out a procession yesterday to make the September 28 - Star photo grand rally a success.

What's on today

Lecture on Milky Way, nebula: The National Museum for Science and Technology has organised the seminar. Venue: The museum auditorium at Agargaon. Time: 4 pm. Speaker: Dr Jamal Nazrul Islam

Rotary Club of Dhaka North West: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Crystal Garden (Pen House), 42 Siddheswari. Time: 6:30

Homeworkers' Women Association: The organisation will hold a discussion programme on UN conference on women. Venue: Association's auditorium. Time: 4 pm.

Bangla Academy: A memorial meet on Abu Hena Mustafa Kamal will be held. Venue: Seminar room of the academy. Time: 3 pm.

Rotaract Club of Eskaton North: The club will hold a joint meeting with Rotary Club of Eskaton. Venue: Purbani Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Awami Lawyers' Council: The organisation will stage a demonstration in support of elections under a caretaker government. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 3:30 pm.

Rapport training course: A day long special training course on public relations will be held. Venue: Rajmoni Isa Khan Hotel

Juba Union rally: A rally for debarring the defaulters and war criminals from elections will be held. Venue: Purana Paltan crossing: Time: 5:30 pm.

Rotary Club of Dhaka Midtown : The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Chamely House, Topkhana Road. Time: 5:30 pm.

BFTUC convention: The sixth biennial convention of Bangladesh Free Trade Union Congress (BFTUC) will be held. Venue: Railway Community Centre (Mahboob Ali Institute). Time: 10 am.

Rotary Club of Dhaka Buriganga: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Weather

Downpour forecast

Under the influence of land depression over Orissa, India most places of Khulna, Barisal and Rajshahi divisions and many places of Chittagong, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions may experience occasional moderate to moderately heavy rain or thundershower with gusty wind in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office said day temperature may fall by 2-3 degrees Celsius over the country.

Heavy rainfall warning: Heavy rainfall may occur over the regions of Khulna, Jessore, Kushtia, Barisal, Patuakhali, Pabna and Bogra during the period.

Squall warning: South south-east squalls with 60 to 70 kph is likely over the regions of Khulna, Barisal, Patuakhali, Chittagong, Noakhali and Comilia in the next 12 hours.

Giving an outlook for subsequent two days weathermen forecast that rainfall activities likely to continue and extended outlook for another five days they predicted gradual improve of weather

Country's highest temperature was recorded 31.5 degree Celsius at Chittagong, Comilla and Ishurdi and the lowest 23.5 degrees at Satkhira Sun sets today at 5:50 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:49

Hanif leaves for Jeddah

Mayor of Dhaka City Corporation (DCC). Md Hanif left Dhaka on Monday to perform the holy umrah, says a press release.

During his absence, commissioner of DCC ward no 86. Nabiullah Nabi will perform the routine duties of the

The Mayor is expected to return on October 3.

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CORRIGENDUM

In the advertisement published in this paper on 24 September the date mentioned in para (iv) should be read 08 October instead of 06 October



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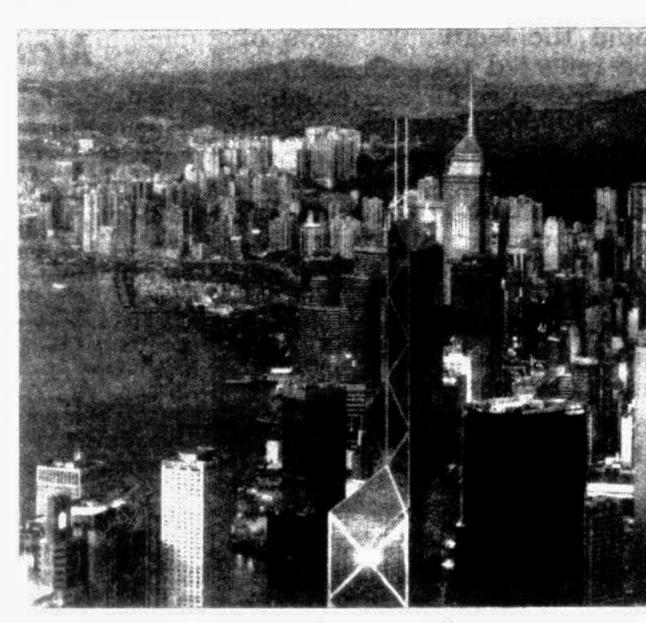
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Workshop for Scouts begins The first multipurpose

workshop of Bangladesh Scouts began on Tuesday at the National Scouts Training Centre at Gazipur, says a press release. Manzoor Ul Karim, chief

national commissioner, inaugurated the workshop as chief guest The four day workshop

will be conducted by a number of deputy national commissioners. Shah Alam, national commissioner (training), will be the director of the workshop. Some 120 leader trainers,

assistant leader trainers and scouters are attending the workshop. The workshop will run till

September 28. Sadrul's janaza today

The namaze-e-janaza of Sadrul Pasha will be held at the Television Bhaban at 11 am today, says a press rele-

Sadrul a noted actor and ad-film maker died of cardiac arrest at a city clinic Sunday last, added the press release.



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