









## BAD DAYS FOR HANDLOOM

ONE are the golden days for the Uttargaon village of Kaliganj in Gazipur. Some 400 families are involved in weaving here, but business has been down for several years now. Many weavers are closing down their businesses and shifting to other professions for better pay. People here mainly make towels that they sell to wholesalers for Tk 100 to 120 each. In the lead photo, Zohra Begum is processing the yarns. A weaver for 10 years, she now earns Tk 2,000 to 3,000 a month.







