

HOROSCOPE



ARIES (MAR. 21-APRIL 20)

Loved ones can provide good advice. Love and romance are evident. Concentrate on work and on making money. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



TAURUS (APR. 21-MAY 21)

Try not to come on too strongly. Have a look at investment opportunities. It's time to have a heart-to-heart with family. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



GEMINI (MAY 22-JUNE 21)

Avoid paying for anyone. Your bosses may not see eye to eye. Opportunities to get ahead will be evident. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)

Travel will result in new romantic attractions. Don't let your emotional partner upset you this week. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.



LEO (JULY 23-AUG 22)

Don't let revenge cloud your judgement. Insincere gestures of friendliness are likely to occur. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 23)

Avoid friction with your mate. Focus your efforts on your work. Consider some changes to your home environment. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.



LIBRA (SEPT. 24-OCT. 23)

Extravagance will be a problem. Acceptance will be necessary. It's best not to confide in anyone right now. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



SCORPIO (OCT. 24-NOV. 21)

Your relationship appears to be stressed out and depleted. Your contributions will lead to your company's rise. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Expect delays in shipments. You will be in the mood to socialize. Friends from your past may come back into your life. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 20)

Offer your loved ones any assistance you can. Catch up on overdue paperwork. Go on business trips if at all possible. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.



AQUARIUS (JAN. 21-FEB. 19)

Travel will bring about new and interesting people. Be wary of those with overly strong convictions. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



PISCES (FEB. 20-MARCH. 20)

Real estate ventures will be to your advantage. Changes in your domestic scene are apparent. Avoid scandals of any sort. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.

LS SUGGESTS

Donation for a smile in return

For a massive proportion of the population, winter means enduring a series of hardships and miseries. While we go on with living our lives in the comfort of our snug homes, there are many who cannot afford even a day's meal adequately, let alone buy proper winter wear. So instead of stacking up those extra blankets and clothes that do not fit you anymore, give them away to a needy family. Your donation, no matter how big or small, can bring a smile to the face of someone who is in dire need of it somewhere and make their life a little less difficult to live.

JAAGO FOUNDATION

Since its establishment in 2007, Jaago has grown and spread out extensively, with volunteers working in 32 different districts of the nation. They had recently arranged a badminton tournament to raise funds for warm clothes distribution to the underprivileged. Furthermore, Jaago's youth development wing, Volunteer for Bangladesh, will be organising a clothing drive in January and will be accepting any form of donation for the deprived.

Contact: www.facebook.com/JAAGOFoundation; jaago.com.bd

BORN TO SMILE

Like every year, Born to Smile will be hosting its annual winter project called 'Winter Man' in January. Blankets are the most ideal item for donation and will be collected from donors through various

activities. Moreover, Imran Khan, the CEO and founder, also disclosed plans to divide the collected number of blankets equally among two primary groups — the deprived habitants of Panchagarh, and Rohingya refugees.

To know more, you can contact them at: www.facebook.com/borntosmile.org

DURNIBAR FOUNDATION

Durnibar has been organising clothing drives since 2012, and this year Durnibar Foundation intends to go big on donations with partnerships with a handful of English medium schools.

"We hope to distribute over 10,000 clothes and blankets across remote areas in the northern part of Bangladesh," informed Azman Anju Khan Chowdhury, the CEO and founder of the organisation.

Durnibar Foundation is located at House 27B, 2nd Floor, Road 9A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka. Call #01868369301 or #01868369302 for donations. You may also access them through social media: www.facebook.com/DurnibarFoundation

PROJECT KOMBOL

Besides acting as a solid intermediary between groups leading clothing drives and those who need the donations the most, Project Kombol is also taking individual giveaways from donors. Distributions will be carried out with the assistance of local NGOs, focusing on the Rohingyas and inhabitants of certain

remote areas of Bangladesh. You can donate blankets mainly (clothes can be an exception, depending on the type and quantity of the item) and don't forget to check that they are of high quality so that the recipients can use them for a long time. In addition to this, a meagre contribution of Tk 300 only can ensure a warm blanket for a person in despair and make his/her winter more bearable!

Call #01819230486. You may also access them through www.projectkombol.com; www.facebook.com/projectkombol

APON FOUNDATION

With numerous childcare centres across Bangladesh, APON foundation has already distributed a huge quantity of blankets and clothing to its young beneficiaries. It has also recently established a childcare centre specifically for the Rohingya children and provided them with sufficient winter wear.

"In the upcoming weeks, we have plans to distribute clothes and blankets to the needy in Gaibandha region and we welcome any form of donations wholeheartedly," expressed M Aftabuzzaman, Executive Director and CEO of the foundation.

To make your donation call: 01711054701; info@aponfoundation.org; www.facebook.com/aponfoundation

By Nafisa Faruque

LS PICK

Skin hydration: The salon story

Despite its relative short lifespan in Bangladesh, winter is perhaps the most lovable season of the year. The chilly breezes call forth a series of winter weddings and parties that go on as long as this pleasant weather lasts. While you make sure that your look is immaculate with the finest makeover, outfit, shoes and matching accessories, do not forget to take extra care of your precious skin that tends to lose moisture frequently in this season.

This is the time to stay one step ahead of the crisp winter winds and visit a salon where your skin can get its long-deserved pampering and become

'winterproof'!

FARZANA SHAKIL'S MAKEOVER SALON LTD.

When it comes to exquisite skin, face and hair services, Farzana Shakil's is the affordable big-league salon you simply cannot miss!

Among its wide array of facials and massages, the Shirodhara facial is a great pick for winter. The 'shiro' or head massage relaxes the scalp and the head, initiating a complete relaxation process, giving way to increased blood circulation.

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EVENT

Obhoyaronno Hosts Year End "Puppyville"

than buying imported breeds.

On the 22nd of December (Friday), Obhoyaronno organised a day long fundraiser, "Puppyville", at their Mohakhali clinic that started from 11am in the morning. The event included a Puppy Pen, resident dogs of the clinic that were stealing in naps and hugs from the visitors and stalls set up by local brands such as Blisswaters, Epilogue, Hulu Kraft & Dovetail, Manas, Newton's Archive, Pretty Shitty Art, Scribblistic Thoughts and Stellar; Cookups and The Flourist also had booths selling yummy delectable savoury and sweet vegan

food items. Obhoyaronno also had their own stall selling t-shirts, mugs, pet-scarves and other pet toys, all at a very reasonable price. There were also live performances by local bands such as, Indalo, The Armeen Musa Band, Rushnaf, Embers in Snow, Petty Never Grew and Reza from Renaissance. Obhoyaronno has been running the first and only CNVR (Catch Neuter Vaccinate Release) Program since 2012 with the support of Dhaka City Corporation, Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) and Humane Society International (HSI).

By Supriti Sarkar

When it comes to animal welfare and education through humane programmes, the first name that comes to mind is Obhoyaronno- Bangladesh Animal Welfare Foundation. With 2018 right around the corner, the organisation is launching their "Furtune 500" campaign that is looking for a list of 500 donors who will pledge to contribute 1000 taka per month to fund their upcoming year's plans for the welfare, well-being of animals and other animal related initiatives. The event was set to create and increase socialization between people and street dogs and promote adoption rather