



# PRINTS OF PERFECTION

**B**ENT over their tables, artisans around the country are busy conjuring up works of magic, keeping the upcoming Eid in mind. Summoning new block prints and beadworks, their hands are hard at work turning pieces of cotton into embellished articles of beauty. Although most of the work done in the industry is of great quality, local artisans often lose out to imported wares. Despite the competitive prices of local goods -- with some cotton saris going for as low as Tk 800 -- the allure of imports can still be too much to ignore for some. This, however, doesn't detract local craftsmen from producing the work of the art that they put so much effort into. The pictures were taken from New Super Market in the capital.

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