

Top 5 rainy day accessories and where to get them

Monsoon along with its refreshing nature also brings us a host of problems. So, take proper planning and face the rain with the ideal accessories, with a plethora of options available catering to every budget segment and need.

Here are some rainy-day accessory ideas for you to tackle monsoon problems.

Rain boots to navigate the dirty waters

It's early in the morning, raining heavily and what's more, most roads are under dirty water. Regular shoes won't keep your feet dry, so what's the solution? Rain boots, also known as gumboots, are waterproof, typically calf length boots made of rubber or plastic. Putting a pair of gumboots will make sure you stay dry by protecting your feet against dirty water.

You can find rain boots on e-commerce sites like Daraz and at outdoor equipment markets like at Baitus Samir Market, Fulbaria; prices start from as low as Tk 500 and go as high as Tk 2500.

Waterproof backpack

The chances of books, important documents getting soaked badly increases if put in a typical bag on a rainy day, an ideal workaround for that is to use waterproof backpacks, made from water resistant



polyester fabric, which can protect laptop, books and any other important documents.

Waterproof bag prices range from Tk 150 to Tk 1500 depending on the quality, and they can be found in New Market, Bashundhara City Shopping Complex, and online.

Raincoats for a cool look

Though often assumed boring and

uncomfortable, modern raincoats have come a long way to make it part of your fashion statement. From ponchos which you slip on your head and typically fall to about hip length to knee, to the always trendy transparent ones which gives you a cool look, to the raincoat and trouser combo for bikers, there's no dearth of options.

You can buy basic polyester made raincoats from Tk 160, transparent ones from Tk 450 and other variants from Tk 500 to Tk 2500, available on e-commerce sites and super shops like Unimart and Shwapno.

Waterproof pouch for your handheld device

Even with water splashing protection found on most smartphones, it's a big hassle to operate a phone if rainwater is



constantly on the screen, not to mention the possibility of the phone getting damaged! Thankfully, we have waterproof pouches that are made from waterproof PVC materials. You can put your device in them and access the phone as the pouch is touch sensitive. Price ranges from Tk 60 to Tk 300, available online and in all mobile accessories' shops.

Umbrella: the quintessential rainy day accessory

No matter which rainy day gear we pick, an umbrella will always be the most preferred. There's the trusty auto open and close umbrellas which provides protection from rain at the touch of a button, or the chic mini folding capsule umbrellas that you can always carry in your backpack.

Feel like standing out among the crowd? Go for transparent or floral designed umbrellas that bring out your style, or if you just want to opt for something basic, then the classic straight long handle umbrellas will never disappoint. Prices of umbrellas range from Tk 450 to Tk 2000, and can be found on all e-commerce sites, shopping malls, and superstores.

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