

HEALTHY PRACTICE AT INTERFAB



Employees were trained in general health, hygiene and nutrition in August. The two-day training was initiated by HALOW Project and inaugurated by Fateh UI Islam, COO of Interfab Shirt Manufacturing Ltd. A total of 120 people participated in training in three slots. Health Champions will play the role of peer educators among 120 groups of the entire factory.



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Teachers and students of Bikash School celebrated Eid-e-Miladunnabi. The school celebrates the religious event every year for strengthening their religious view and faith.

BIKASH MARKS EID-E-MILADUNNABI



PARTICIPATION IN HUGO BOSS GOLF TOURNAMENT



On invitation from globally well-reputed fashion brand Hugo Boss, VIYELLATEX Chairman David Hasanat participated in a golf tournament at Gleneagles, Scotland. The event, International Hugo Boss Cup 2015, held on July 19-22, was aimed at promoting personal fitness keeping a balance between work and life. Hugo Boss AG, a German luxury fashion brand, has deep business ties with Bangladesh.

VIYELLATEX EMPLOY'S NEW COO FOR GARMENT UNIT



Ziauddin Ahmed joined the garment division of Viyellatex on July 26 as chief operating officer (COO). Ahmed gained diverse experiences while working with renowned multinational and national companies like CherryField Sesbyof Turkey, Rockwell Ltd, Padma Group and Auko-Tex Group. Ahmed completed his MBA from IBA, Dhaka University and also from university of Illinois, USA.

Montserrat Lamas, senior vice-president of Esprit Buying Division, visited VIYELLATEX on August 24 as part of an effort to check on the production capacity of her company's suppliers in Bangladesh. VIYELLATEX Chairman David Hasanat greeted her with a bouquet.

The conversation between them focused on how to increase trade volume and expand business with new designed products. Lamas visited showrooms and all the production units of VIYELLATEX, including those of knitting, dyeing, washing, printing, embroidery, sewing and finishing, and expressed satisfaction with the company's commitment to quality.

Zahid Abed, head of sourcing, Golam Shamim, manager (merchandising), EDC and MDC division, and Hasan Chowdhury, manager (merchandising), MCA and WCA division, of Esprit Bangladesh, accompanied her during the visit.



ESPRIT TEAM TOURS VIYELLATEX

FAREWELL TO LOUIS BEZNER



Louis Bezner came to Bangladesh in August on a 14-day internship at VIYELLATEX. He had also been given the opportunity to have a brief experience of working at Bikash School, an initiative of VIYELLATEX Group for physically challenged and underprivileged children. He was pleased with the people and Bangalee culture he had been acquainted with during his time with VIYELLATEX. Ahsan Kabir Khan, vice-chairman of VIYELLATEX, handed Bezner a crest after his successful completion of internship. Saifullah Khaled Shaharia, in-charge of HR; Jubayad Ahmed Moman, team leader of compliance; Afa Akhter, executive secretary, and Naima Akhter, team leader of employee relations, were present at the ceremony.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH TRAINING AT INTERFAB



A training session was organised on August 10 at Interfab, woven apparel business unit of VIYELLATEX, to make garment workers aware of occupational health hazards, ergonomics, hazardous materials and PPE. The programme jointly organised by ILO, BEF, BGMEA and BKMEA also emphasised the importance of sound health of employees.

JACK & JONES TEAM VISITS VIYELLATEX

With the knowledge of the thriving garment business opportunities in Bangladesh, famous clothing brand Jack & Jones sent a team comprised of the chief designer of its vintage department Reynor Kent Serafin and Mirco, a world famous freelance designer from Italy. During their visit to VIYELLATEX on August 28, the team spoke of developing business ties with the leading garment manufacturer known for its professionalism and commitment to business. Abdur Razzak, AGM for production; Farhana Rahman, head of sales account, and Reji K Paulose, head of design and product development, accompanied them at the time.



Jette Steen Knudsen, professor of sustainability at Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University in Boston, USA, on August 4 sat with VIYELLATEX officials and discussed efforts to ensure good occupational health, safety and labour standards in the garment sector of Bangladesh, which has seen sharp growth over the decades. The industry that fetched about \$27 billion in export earnings in 2015 went for major upgrades in workplace safety in recent times. Ziauddin Ahmed, COO of VIYELLATEX, gave a presentation on occupational health, safety and labour standards ensured at all levels of workforce at VIYELLATEX. Saifullah Khaled Shaharia, in-charge of HR, and Amit Agarwal, executive of sustainability, were present at the session.

DISCUSSION WITH RESEARCHER OF TUFTS UNIVERSITY



OLYMP BEZNER'S TIME AT BIKASH SCHOOL



Olymp Bezner visited Bikash School on August 12 during his business tour of Bangladesh. Being apprised of the institution's efforts in the development of poor and physically challenged children, he further discussed the students' educational progress with Shewly Jamil, principal of Bikash. Fateh-Ul-Islam, COO of Interfab; Ziauddin Ahmed, COO of VIYELLATEX Ltd, Arif Abdulla Bin Aftab, senior manager of HR, and Saifullah Khaled Shaharia, in-charge of HR, accompanied him.

CULTURAL PROGRAMME AT VIYELLATEX SPINNING



To build a friendly and socio-cultural environment that can help bring out the best out of employees, VIYELLATEX often organises programmes beyond work. In one of such efforts, VIYELLATEX Spinning Ltd arranged an Islamic song and Quran recitation competition on July 14, 2015. Workers were the main participants of this cultural programme. Abdul Wadud, COO, and Belal Hossain, HR manager of VSL, were present on the occasion.