

the label faced last year. The two D&G designers, who are gay and formerly were a couple, came under fire for their surprisingly conservative comments, which appeared to criticize same-sex parents and the use of in vitro fertilization.

Uzbekistan to decrease cotton production

Uzbekistan is planning to decrease production and public procurement of raw cotton up to 3 million tons by 2020, President of Uzbekistan Islam Karimov said at the session of the Cabinet of Ministers dedicated to the 2015 results. President said that it is necessary to carry out structural reforms in agriculture and development of economy of Uzbekistan. He said that the volume of production and public procurement of raw cotton should be decreased from 3.35 million tons to 3 million tons by 2020. Islam Karimov said that according to estimates, this volume of raw cotton will ensure full provision of raw material to textile and light industry and keep position of Uzbekistan as cotton-fiber supplier and its producer in the world.

President of Uzbekistan said that about 170,500 tons of irrigated lands will be freed in the result of decreasing of cotton-fiber by 350,000 tons. He said that the crop at the free fields usually make up 12-15 centners a hectare – at average yield in Uzbekistan of 26.1 centners a hectare. He said that saline land, lands in mountain areas, which are not suitable for cotton production, will be freed. Uzbek president also said that the prices and demand to cotton-fiber in the world is also in decline. Islam Karimov said that the freed lands will be used to production of vegetables such as potatoes, forage, oil cultures, create gardens and vineyards. According to the Uzbek President, Uzbekistan plans to increase production of grain crops up to 8.5 million tons with the growth rate of 16.4 percent by 2020 due to optimization of lands and introduction of modern agriculture technologies. It is also planned to increase production of potatoes by 35 percent, other vegetables - by 30 percent, fruits and grapes - 21.5 percent, meat - by 26.2 percent, milk - by 47.3 percent, eggs - by 74.5 percent and fish - by 2.5 times.

At the same time, the president of Uzbekistan said that the exports of these food products will increase.

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provide low-cost loans to textile and leather industries to make their production process more eco-friendly.

Speaking at a conference on 'Green Finance for Sustainable Development', Bangladesh Bank governor Atiur Rahman said, "We want to let the world know that we will manufacture green apparel and green leather products. We want to brand our country as green Bangladesh."

Textile and apparel industries are expected to get loans for waste management, water conservation and management, recycling, water efficiency in wet processing, energy efficiency, and renewable energy.

Earlier in April last year, Rahman had announced the central bank's plans to set up a low-cost green fund for textile factories to adopt eco-friendly technologies and practices and had said the fund's timing was critical as the global demand for environmental-friendly goods continues to rise.

Turkish textile markets eye Malaysia, AEC markets for growth

Faced by the loss of their traditional export markets because of political and security problems in their neighbourhood, Turkish textile companies are looking to penetrate into new markets to sustain their export growth. At the ongoing four-day Heimtextil show of Frankfurt in Germany, the world's biggest trade fair for the home-textile and contract textile industry, Turkish exhibitors are trying to intensify their links to Malaysia and the Asean markets.

Turkey, as Turkish exhibitors and representatives of various textile and garment associations were saying, is surrounded by a violent neighbourhood: a war-ravaged Syria, an unstable Iraq and a sanction-plagued Russia.

The number of Turkish exhibitors at the show has sharply increased from 159 in 2015 to 211 in 2016.

M Atilla Bulut, the deputy general coordinator (fairs) of the Turkish Home Textile Industrialists' and Businessmen's Association, said in an interview at the show that Turkish exhibitors occupy the second largest display space - about 16,000sq-m - after Germany.

"Our advantage over China is our proximity to Europe - we know and understand Europe's needs and are familiar with the region's economic and cultural idiosyncrasies. Turkey has a problem on its borders with Syria, Iraq and Russia, even though it has no internal security problem,"

Bulut told Bernama.

As a result, Turkish exporters are forced to look for markets beyond their borders, to South-East Asia, where the Asean Economic Community (AEC) was recently formed.

Malaysia, as one of the so-called 'core countries' of the community, is seen as an attractive market by many Turkish exporters, some of whom said they plan to visit Malaysia and other Asean countries in the near future to promote their exports.

Dolce & Gabbana enters multi-billion dollar Muslim fashion market

Italian design label D&G has introduced its first line of hijabs and abayas for Muslim women.

High-end fashion house Dolce & Gabbana, known for its body-hugging designs, has debuted its first collection for Muslim women. It features hijabs (which cover the head) and abayas (which cover the body). Designer Stefano Gabbana offered a glimpse of the pieces on his Instagram account this week.

The designs were met with mixed reviews — some commenters praised the collection but questioned why models of colour weren't used; others criticized the pieces for being "oppressive."

D&G's foray into the Muslim market comes at a time when Islamophobia has increased. Since the terror attacks in Paris, a number of hijab-wearing Muslim women have been attacked.

But it also comes on the heels of a 2015 report by Thomson Reuters that forecast a growing demand from Muslim shoppers. They're expected to spend \$484 billion on clothing and footwear by 2019, up from \$266 billion in 2013.

According to Fortune, Pew Research also predicted that the number of Muslims in the world will equal that of Christians by 2050, and will pack impressive purchasing power.

D&G is not the only one to begin catering to the demand. Last year, H&M made news when its campaign included Muslim model Mariah Idrissi clad in a hijab.

DKNY was reportedly the first major label to spot the demand in the Muslim fashion market, according to Marie Claire. Tommy Hilfiger and Zara are among the others.

The positive publicity D&G's new pieces have garnered on various fashion sites is in stark contrast to the controversy

but only if you share it forward.

The campaign was launched earlier this month in an attempt to “make ready-to-share the new ready-to-wear.” The collection was initially launched in 12 countries: Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark, the Netherlands, France, Italy, Spain, UK, US, Russia and China. And in Finland, the Relooping Fashion Initiative is targeting clothing recycling directly, and may be able to produce the world's first 100 per cent post-consumer-waste textiles and clothing. A new cellulose dissolution technique developed by the VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland Ltd. (VTT) allows worn-out cotton clothing to be turned into new, high quality fibers for the textile industry.

Re-producing old cotton clothing into new material has been very challenging, because the worn-out fibers are too short to be spun into new thread. New cotton also needs to be added to each batch, making 100 per cent post-consumer-waste textiles an impossible dream. But not anymore. The Relooping Fashion Initiative not only maintains the quality of the re-produced fibers – it can actually improve it. The process uses new revolutionary technology that allows for virtually unlimited recycling of cellulose-based fabrics without the addition of any harmful chemicals or new material. This has dramatic positive impact to the environmental issues caused by the global textile industry today.

FESPA 2016 to host Digital Textile Conference

At FESPA 2016, which runs from March 8-11, organisers are hosting a one day Digital Textile Conference, with the objective of providing a comprehensive learning platform.

The conference runs from 10.45 to 18.00 on March 8 and will cover topics such as 'Insights into the growth and creative development of digital textile markets' by Ron Gilboa of Infotrends. Another topic is 'Growing your business with fabric printing' by Daniel Arzt of Sun Ski Sport and 'Smart textiles' by David Schmelzeisen, academic, Institut für Textiltechnik der RWTH Aachen. 'Digital print in fast fashion' will be presented by Mike Horsten, general manager marketing EMEA, Mimaki Europe B.V. There will also be a keynote Q&A on 'The evolution of digital textile print for fashion' with Bruno Basso & Christopher Brooke from Basso & Brooke, who are pioneering the digital print process in fashion.

Other free textile sessions throughout the four days include topics like; 3D printed clothing, Direct to garment printing: should we or shouldn't we? and Screen printing and direct to garment.

Duncan MacOwan, FESPA's head of events and new media

said, “Our one-day Digital Textile Conference provides printers with information and first-hand experience from some of the leading industry experts.” “We have aimed to get a complete spectrum of speakers who will discuss different aspects of the textile industry,” he informed. “The objective is to provide useful insight for those printers who may be already producing printed textile or looking to branch out into a slightly different area,” Duncan observed.

DyStar Dives Deeper into Digital Textile Printing Inks

DyStar Group has introduced Jettex 4.0, its highest-ever performing range of digital textile printing inks.

The colorant supplier presented this latest innovation in inkjet technology in cooperation with industrial printing giant Zimmer Austria at the most recent edition of ITMA Milan.

DyStar described the new range of reactive, acid, disperse and sublimation inks as “ultra-intense” and said it offers both longer lifetime and user-friendly open time for all state-of-the-art and newly launched print heads, as well as “excellent robustness” in processing.

“They also meet the most stringent ecological and fastness requirements,” the company claimed.

Furthermore, DyStar said its Jettex Black inks are setting the bar when it comes to deepest blacks.

Also notable is the company's new and highly-pigmented range of Jettex Vat inks, an industry first which it claimed can fulfill the fastness requirements to light, multiple washing and rubbing on inks in the home textile segment.

Developed with Zimmer Austria's Colaris in mind (an inkjet printer for industrial print applications ranging from fashion and home textiles to polyester fleece products and carpet), the CMYK color set is already available and fixation can be done using a one-phase or two-phase system.

DyStar plans to launch more shades in 2016 to offer a complete range to industries with high-performance requirements, such as home textiles, workwear and the military.

Bangladesh Bank sets up green fund for textiles

The Bangladesh Bank has established the Green Transformation Fund (GTF) to promote sustainable growth in export oriented textile and leather sectors conducive to transformation of green economy of the country, according to Bangladeshi media reports. A fund worth \$200 million will





World Textile News

ITMA Asia + CITME 2016 receives good response

The fifth edition of ITMA Asia + CITME which runs from October 21-25, 2016 in Shanghai, China has received a huge response from both domestic and international textile machinery manufacturers. "They are eager to tap into growth opportunities in China as the country continues its strategic push for quality products, higher productivity and green technologies, the organisers said. According to the organisers, space applications for the exhibition to be held at the new National Exhibition and Convention Centre (NECC) in Shanghai closed February 29, 2016. The textile technology trade show organisers added that almost 1,000 manufacturers have already applied for space. Textile machinery manufacturers are leveraging on ITMA ASIA + CITME 2016 as a strategic platform to showcase their latest technologies and products to buyers as China rolls out its 13th Five-Year Plan (2016–2020). Under the plan, the Chinese textile industry will focus on industrial transformation and upgrading.

Structural adjustments will continue to be made in all sectors, thus expanding opportunities for the further development of textile enterprises and in areas such as industrial textiles.

The last ITMA ASIA + CITME show in 2014 was held over 150,000 square metres, attracted around 1,600 exhibitors from 28 economies and was visited by around 100,000 trade visitors from 102 economies.

Visitor numbers up 4% at Première Vision New York

At Première Vision New York, which was held January 19-20,

2016, visitor numbers reached an all time high of 4,143, up 4 per cent from the January 2015 edition.

"364 exhibitors from the world's finest mills, textile design companies, leather suppliers, accessories and apparel manufacturers showcased products for the S/S 2017 season," a Première Vision press release stated.

Representatives of all the major fashion brands attended the show, which included, 3.1 Phillip Lim, A/X Armani Exchange, Alexander Wang, Banana Republic, Calvin Klein, Donna Karan, Fossil, PVH Corp, Ralph Lauren, etc.

Première Vision New York moved to a larger show venue this season in order to accommodate increased offerings, which included 30 leather suppliers and 26 apparel manufacturers.

"My collection is all about creating beautiful, quality clothes and I am here to find texture, fabrics with interest that we can layer," designer Clark Sabbat, a visitor said.

Première Vision's deputy fashion director Sabine Le Chatelier presented Trend Tasting seminars and PV's forecasts for colour and product highlights for the Spring/Summer 17 season.

Apparel recycling gets fashionable

Nordic countries have launched couple of dynamic campaigns to take sustainability of the clothing industry to a new level.

Millions of tons of textiles are thrown away each year. But instead of tossing your clothes once you are done with them, you could give some other people a chance wear something new. With that in mind, Sweden has launched ShareWear, a part of the Democreativity initiative, that aims to inspire a sustainable way to be fashionable. It's ready-to-share collection with Swedish fashion pieces that you can borrow -

Iranian carpet, the other competitors such as India, Pakistan are replaced and gained good share of market," he said.

He underlined "it is therefore necessary to monitor young generations' taste and competitors' activities and to advertise wisely to have a long term market."

"National Carpet Center of Iran has conducted several talks with Persian Carpet activists in the US market with various options on the table including the visit of American traders to Iran as well as deploying Iranian businessmen to the US to attend exhibitions," stressed the official.

He further emphasized that before the imposition of international sanctions against Iranian carpets in 2010, the US remained as the top importer of Persian Carpet with a share of more than 16.5 per cent worth 82 million dollars.

Tourists weaving 'Peace Envoy' carpet in Iran

Tourists who are visiting Iran are weaving a carpet called 'Peace Envoy' with the goal of promoting Iran's hosting of the World Federation of Tourist Guide Associations (WFTGA) Convention in 2017.

Weaving the carpet started in November 2015 by a group of Iranian tour guides who were pedaling from the Caspian Sea to the Persian Gulf. The carpet's final knots are going to be woven by tourist guides who will participate in the WFTGA Convention in Iran from all over the world. WFTGA Vice President Ruby Roy and her colleague Ivana Curuvija, who travelled to Iran, also added some knots to the carpet.

The carpet features the logo of the WFTGA Convention 2017 and its motto "Iran Friendly Faces, Open Arms". Weaving the carpet has been inspired by local and mythological symbols. Having Iran to host the event was a collective effort that took over five months, he said, adding that a group of eight tourist guides and tens of others worked together dedicatedly to prepare the bid documents for the association.

WFTGA is a non-profit making professional organization dedicated to the promotion of high standards of training and ethics within the profession.

Turkish brands head for Iran as sanctions end

No sooner than the world powers agreed to end to economic sanctions against Iran, leading fashion brands and other businesses in Turkey are making a bee-line to open shop in Iran to grab a market share in the country of 80 million people.

Leading Turkish apparel brand D'S Damat announced it has

opened a new store in Tehran just three days after the world was informed about the lifting of the sanctions last week after Iran agreed to end its nuclear weapons programme.

The timing of Damat opening of its Tehran branch and announcements by similar textile firms brought to the fore the Turkish industry's desire to seize possible opportunities in Iran, a report in the Turkish daily Today's Zaman said.

The United Brands Association (BMD) – the Istanbul-based umbrella organization for over 500 renowned Turkish brands, most of which are retailers – expects to open about 865 stores in Iran over the next three years.

"Twenty-nine of our brands already have 135 stores in Iran. As the embargoes are being lifted, 20 more brands are now able to open 500 stores in total. With the new stores that will be set up by existing Turkish companies in Iran, the total number could rise to 1,000 after three years," a BMD official said.

On the back of sanctions-driven woes, Turkish exports to Iran fell from \$9.9 billion in 2012 to \$4.1 billion in 2013, \$3.8 billion in 2014 and \$3.68 billion in 2015. "Iran has become an attractive market for Turks after the sanctions, but it is challenging as well," Bilgin Aygül, the head of the Turkish-Iranian Business Council said.

Denmark to make investments in Zanjan province

Denmark's ambassador to Iran has said his country will take measures to make investments in Iranian northwestern province of Zanjan. Addressing a gathering of economic activists in Zanjan, the Danish ambassador to Iran Danny Annan voiced his country's readiness to make various investments in the Iranian province adding "good investment opportunities exist in Zanjan which need to be properly exploited in line with expansion of bilateral ties." He pointed to rich mineral resources in Zanjan confirming "the mining sector remains as the most important areas for Denmark to make investments while Zanjan offers good opportunities in agricultural areas as well due to its variety of agricultural and livestock products."

"Danish investors hold contracts with largest Iranian dairy companies," underlined the official emphasizing the need to facilitate entrance to the Iranian market for foreign investors.

Danny Annan referred to the status of Zanjan's textile industry maintaining "Zanjan and Denmark are both prominent figures in the field offering a good ground for further boosting of ties in textile industry."

Denmark's ambassador to Tehran emphasized that numerous cooperation venues are available for the cooperation of the two sides; "some Danish firms have been active in for many years while new companies need to be introduced to the market of Iranian goods," he concluded.



Iran Textile News

Hope but also frustration for Iranians after sanctions lifted

The lifting of sanctions on Iran has given Mohammad Sadeghzadeh hoped of saving his struggling textile factory – as long as the impact of the changes is felt quickly.

"The sanctions have ruined my business. In six months I will close down if it goes on like this. We need to see some tangible results," he said by telephone from the northern city of Rasht.

Iranians are delighted the United States, United Nations and European Union agreed to lift nuclear-related sanctions on Jan. 16 in exchange for Iran curbing its nuclear program. But many are frustrated not to have seen immediate changes now Iran's isolation is over and fear the benefits will not be felt for a long time as foreign banks, companies and governments tread carefully for fear of violating residual U.S. sanctions.

"I hope by lifting the sanctions, I will be able to use banks like other civilized countries. My only hope is to be part of the global business community," said a businessman in the city of Tabriz who gave his name only as Heshmat.

"But still we have a long way to go. I am afraid that if the current situation continues until March, I will have to close my business," said Heshmat, whose account in French banks was blocked in early 2013.

The Western sanctions cut off finance from abroad, pushed up the cost of borrowing in Iran and hit many businesses by banning foreign bank transfers. Heshmat got used to bringing in money in thick wads of \$100 bills on flights from Turkey and elsewhere.

Turkish exporters' high hopes for Iranian market

Turkish exports may rise between 8 and 10 percent with the end of sanctions on neighboring Iran following its nuclear deal with world powers, the head of the Turkish Exporters' Assembly (TİM) said in a press meeting. Key sectors for Turkish companies in Iran are automotive, clothing, textiles, machinery, furniture and chemicals, said TİM President Mehmet Büyükekçi. "Our exports to Iran will make around 8-10 percent of positive contribution to our total exports over this year. In the long term, this will become even higher," he said.

"In a bid to boost our exports to Iran, we have searched opportunities sector by sector. We have been in talks with our Iranian counterparts. Now we are looking for a place to launch a permanent trade center in Iran. We'll pick up one of a couple of three-story buildings in Iran.

Iran to resume carpet export to US

Hamid Kargar has deemed 2016 as the year for resumption of Iranian carpet exports to the US expressing hope that the currently low exports rate will be compensated for in the coming months. "Positive signals in this regard were received from the DOMOTEX exhibition, recently held in Germany's Hannover, where American traders discussed, ordered and bought Iranian hand-woven products," noted the official adding "the exposition coincided with the implementation of JCPOA leading to great enthusiasm."

"Sanction relief is new hope for Iranian carpet activists to revive lost markets, although optimism should be avoided, and we should act based on prepared plan. With absence of

After sanction and opportunities for direct banking transactions

Here is an account of seminars held by Arya-machine (representative company of Accotex and Texparts)

The seminar was held in Tehran, Kashan, Isfahan and Yazd with the aim of presenting technical data explanation and introducing the latest products of Accotex and Texparts. 69 spinning companies attended in the seminar from all over Iran.

Arya- Machine Company which represents Accotex and Texparts in Iran was established on May 2011 to provide sale counseling and after-sales services of European textile machinery and spare parts in Iran textile industry.

Regarding the latest scientific and technical knowledge and the state-of-the-art product technology, Arya Machine Co want to present the best technological and commercial services in textile industry. Having a wide scope of statistical info about textile industries all around the world and working in closed collaboration with textile research institutes, it is now looking for a greatest possible quality and quantity for textile companies in Iran.

In Tehran's seminar which was in Parsian-Evin hotel , Joachim Matthias Herzig- Head of technology of Texparts- introduced the company and said : "Texparts with over 80 years of experience in production of ring and flyer spare parts is the most popular company in the world."

He continued; all the present products of today's texparts, were manufactured under name of SKF till 1999., Texparts company manufactured those spare parts in Germany with buying the production privilege of textile products from SKF. Later in 2000 Saurer company bought texparts and in 2007 it was assigned to Oerlikon group, in 2013 Saurer bought it again and this company and similar ones are now working as Saurer textile components, which is the largest textile machinery manufacturer nowadays. Texparts products are widely used in machinery manufacturing like Zinser, LMW, Marzoli, Savio, Cognetex and more other brands. Herzig also introduced the latest products of the company and discussed all technical data with Iranian

participants and counterparts asked their questions about some spinning systems and their new features. At the second part Cemil Esen , -Accotex area sales manager- discussed some of Accotex products.

This company is another subset of Saurer textile company and like Texparts in 2000 was bought by Saurer group. Cots and aprons of this company doubtlessly have the best quality in comparison with other manufacturer across the world. They are used as original parts in pre-spinning and spinning machines as ring, open-end and airjet machines of different spinning machinery manufacturers.

Esen like the previous speaker focused his speech on introducing Accotex products and achievements and finished with answering questions of Iranian guests.

A similar seminars were held in Kashan, Isfahan and Yazd. According to Mr. Ramin Adlkhah - managing director at Arya Machine- announcement, 69 spinning mills participated in the seminar and it's a good sign of high potential of this industry at the close future. He pointed out those economic sanctions against Iran especially after 2010 which were simultaneously happening with the increasing of exchange rates, inflammation and hardening commercial procedures especially applied from western countries caused a decrease in marketing of this company in comparison to the last years. But according to the importance of Accotex and Texpart's products and their function on the final textile products, all of the costumers could provide them despite all the sanction problems, though it should be mentioned that the only problem was banking transactions. Adlkhah clarified that sanction affected all of industries in Iran but in textile there were more problems as well, like smuggling yarn and fabric, immethodical imports of yarns and fabrics without customs taxes caused a decrease in yarn price and leading up to an increase in Supply and a decrease in demand for yarn consumers. This caused a decrease in production of Iran textile industries up to 50% of their capacities and will go on, which even with removing the sanctions this problem will stay unsolved. The only problem that is improved after sanctions is banking transactions that made it easier to buy machinery, raw material and spare parts. Establishing new companies and improving the ones that already exist in order to improve the quality and quantity of products- by consideration of market demands- makes the situation better after sanctions.



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India ITME Society was nominated and qualified for the award under **“Royal Show Category”**. The award was constituted by Exhibition Showcase, supported by Government of India Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, National Skill Development Corporation (N.S.D.C.), Indian Exhibitions Conferences & Events Services Association (IESA), Indian Exhibition Industry Association (IEIA), Indian Industries Association (IIA) & hosted by India Expo Mart, Noida.

India ITME Society was shortlisted out of the 7 nominations. The award function was held on 23rd January 2016 at India Expo Mart, Greater Noida.

Apart from the above award won by India ITME Society, Ms. Seema Srivastava, Executive Director also has won an individual award under the **“Leading Ladies of Industry”** Category.

Both the awards are matter of pride and achievement for the India ITME Staff and the members of our industry. This award function is expected to telecast on 13th & 14th February 2016 at 3.00 pm. on Bloomberg News channel.

India ITME Society is now gearing up for the 10th India ITME a mega Event to be held in Mumbai from 3rd – 8th December 2016 at Bombay Convention & Exhibition Center.

Another service offered by India ITME Society is an 24 x 7 online networking platform IIN Zone <http://iinzone.india-itme.com> where companies can register for promotion & lead generation worldwide.

Completing 37 years of service, India ITME Society has also launched Global Textile Technology & Engineering Show (GTTES) to be held alternatively with India ITME series. GTTES is to be region specific and sector specific business platform focused on customized business solution. The 1st edition of GTTES was held on 20-22nd January 2015 in Mumbai with Weaving, Fiber & Yarn sector & Waste Water Technology customized of textile industry as focused sector.

The chairman and the steering committee members of India ITME Society express sincere thanks to all the members and associates for their unstinted support and pledges continued quality services to the industry.

