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Kolkata

FDDI, Rohtak signs MoU with Punjab Skill Development Mission

For organizing skill development training programme for the unprivileged and unemployed youth of Punjab in the field of footwear manufacturing, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI), Rohtak and Punjab Skill Development Mission (PSDM), Government of Punjab at Chandigarh on 09th May, 2017.

For this purpose, FDDI shall prepare syllabus and develop training materials based on the requirement of industries and other relevant sectors, which would be based on practical interactive training interpreted in Hindi.



Rohtak

As per the MoU, FDDI will train unprivileged and unemployed youth in the areas of leather cutting and shoe upper stitching.



Signing of the MoU



Chennai

The unemployed youth of Punjab can take maximum advantage under this specialized skill development training programme where after the successful completion of training, the candidate shall be placed in and around Punjab in any footwear company and can earn livelihood for the family, either through employment or entrepreneurship by starting his/her own business.

This program acknowledges the need for the effective roadmap for the upliftment of unskilled and unemployed youth of Punjab. The vision of this program is to facilitate the alignment between supply and demand for skills by bridging existing skill gaps, promoting industry engagement by operationalizing the quality assurance frame work in footwear industry.



Chhindwara

FDDI shall arrange time - to time industrial visits of undergoing trainees and appropriate on the job training as per the syllabus of the course.

FDDI's effort in creating fresh & unemployed youths as skilled work force through an intensive training programme has been a great success.



Fursatganj



Noida



Govt. set to clear Amazon's \$500-m FDI in Food Retail

The government will soon clear the US retail giant Amazon's proposed \$500 million investment in retail of food products in India, Food Processing Minister, Ms. Harsimrat Kaur Badal said on June 13, 2017.

"There was some delay due to abolition of Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB). It (Amazon's proposal) will soon be cleared," Ms. Badal told reporters on the sidelines of an event at New Delhi.

With the abolition of the FIPB, the Amazon's proposal will now be vetted by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) under the Commerce Ministry.

Ms. Badal said that more investment in food processing sector is the need of the hour to reduce the huge wastage during post harvesting and transportation.

Despite India being the world's largest producer of vegetables and fruits, the processing level is very low at 10 per cent, she said, adding that foreign investment will bring new technologies, products, processes and markets.

The government had received investment proposals from three companies – Amazon, Grofers and Big

Basket – worth \$695 million for retail of food products.

While US-based retail giant Amazon is one of the major e-commerce players in India, Grofers and Big Basket are into online grocery space.

(Source: The Financial Express)

Metro Cash & Carry plans to increase stores to 50 by 2020

To fund expansion via internal accruals and partly through debt

The Indian subsidiary of German organised wholesale giant, Metro Cash & Carry looks to increase its stores from the existing 24 to 50 by the year 2020, for which the company may invest around Rs. 1,500 Crore over the next three years. A standard store requires investment of Rs. 60 Crore each.

Opening its second store in Gujarat at Ahmedabad, after Surat, Metro will cover other smaller cities in the State with an objective to reach out to kirana stores. Metro had opened its first store in Gujarat at Surat in 2016. The company plans to fund its expansions through internal accruals and partly through debt.

"Our focus will be on kirana stores as we plan to become their warehouse or godown. This is a wholesale format



outlet, where only registered traders or professionals can make bulk purchases,” said Mr. Arvind Mediratta, MD & CEO, Metro Cash & Carry India, during the launch of the store.



Mr. Arvind Mediratta, MD & CEO, Metro Cash & Carry India, during the inauguration of a store in Ahmedabad on June 13, 2017

The company offers membership cards to traders or registered professional having licences from any of the 40-odd categories listed by the government. The Ahmedabad Metro store is spread on an area of 55,000 sq feet, and employs over 350 people including sales team.

The company has over 11 lakh business customers, of which about 50 per cent are kirana store owners besides mid-sized hotels, restaurants, caterers and self-employed professionals.

The store has over 7,000 products in different categories, and sources farm produce such as vegetables, fruits and grains directly from the farmers in nearby collection centers.

The business customers also get services of commodity experts, loading facilities, doorstep delivery services through third party transporters and a loyalty programme.

(Source: Business Line)

Duke launches new collection

Duke’s latest casual and lifestyle footwear collection channels the excitement and iconic style of California. The lifestyle and casual collection is conceived for men with go-anywhere lifestyles and high fashion sensibilities, as well as those who want stylish footwear that is versatile enough to blend in with their everyday routine.



These shoes are easy to wear, as well as stylish and combine the look of professional dress with the comfort and informality of casual wear.

Made from the exquisite high quality material, these Lifestyle and casual shoes are the companions of people with cool style. The footwear range of Duke features superlight and comfort which is inspired by the defining trends of international fashion which guarantees you fashionable, latest and elegant styles with International designs.

It has a loving, detailed branding. With their casual look, high wearing



comfort and classic sole, these shoes provide a fashion-forward look with built-in ease of movement. These shoes go very well with your casual or semi-formal look and ensure smooth movement. The sole provides optimum traction on all types of surfaces while the Techno lining wraps your feet in comfort and offers enhanced foot motion.

The lifestyle and casual collection of footwear comes in a wide array of styles, colors and sizes, which makes it easy to find a pair that fits almost all buyers and their needs. The new range is available at selected Duke Stores and online portals and is priced between Rs. 999 and Rs. 2895. According to Kuntal Raj Jain, Director, Duke Fashions (I) Ltd., "Our Target Audience is today's youth who is looking for trendy and stylish range that is sync with international designs, fashions and quality. Duke is a value for money brand and our mission is to make available the international designs and styles at highly reasonable prices."

(Source: DNA)

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S.No.	Test Description	Charges in ₹
16.4	Composition	300
16.5	Linear Density of yarn/count	100
16.6	Scouring Loss	500
16.7	Colour fastness to light	1200
16.8	Identification of fibre	200
16.9	Dimensional stability	100
16.10	Threads per unit length in woven fabric	150
16.11	Weight per square meter	100
16.12	Crease Recovery	550
16.13	Dry Cleaning	550
16.14	Ash Test	200
16.15	pH	300
16.16	Water Soluble	300
16.17	Cone Test	200
16.18	Water Absorption	200
16.19	Hot Pressing	450
16.20	Bleaching Test	250
16.21	Crocking Test	250

17. AGEING TESTS HEAT AGEING/WET HEAT AGEING (HYDROLYSIS)

17.1	Upto 24 hours (1day)	
a.	For the first sample	600
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	100
17.2	Upto 72 hours (3 days)	
a.	For the first sample	1000
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	200
17.3	Upto 120 hours (5 days)	
a.	For the first sample	1200
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	250
17.4	Upto 168 hours (7 days)	
a.	For the first sample	1500
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	300
17.5	Upto 240 hours (10 days)	
a.	For the first sample	2000
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	400
17.6	Upto 336 hours (14 days)	
a.	For the first sample	3000
b.	For the subsequent three samples (per sample)	500

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