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ABSTRACT

We selected our thesis topic entitled "Study on accessories and accessories related problems with remedies", because accessories are part and parcel of a complete garments. Without accessories no garments item can be produced and it is totally impossible. Accessories can be as sewing accessories or as finishing accessories or either as packing accessories. There are many kinds of accessories like, Button, Zipper, many types of Label, Hang tag-String, Sewing Thread, Interlining, Velcro, many types of Poly-bag, Scotch Tape, different types of Cartoon, Plastic clip or hook, Safety pin, Twill or Neck Tape, Tissue paper, Draw-string etc. Accessories can be different types for different style. This all accessories are collected from buyer nominated supplier or from the suppliers who have the good relation with the factory. The whole accessories collecting process is done by the Merchandizing department. Then all the accessories are stored in Accessories Store Room. After that required amount of accessories are shifted to the Sewing Section, Finishing Section and Packing Section. But when problems are found in sewing, finishing or in packing like, broken accessories, less amount of accessories, wrong accessories for wrong style, inaccurate accessories supplying, delay accessories supplying, etc. can hamper the production of garments. This thesis project is all about different accessories, types of each accessories, problems of each accessories and solution of those problems during attaching & why accessories can be rejected in sewing, finishing or in packing.

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CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

The initial step of a textile student in professional life is project, particularly in apparel sector. A successfully effective process of a specific or determined topic for a project from apparel sector is an essential part of study for a textile student. Accessories are very important for apparel sector. So doing a project about accessories are too much informative, profitable & helpful for us. Because in our university, we had learnt about accessories in theoretical way. So it would only provide accomplishment of mechanical features & processing system of the accessories in accomplishment of the theory but not of the situational variables to achieve practical knowledge.

Accessories are playing a vital & major role in Ready Made Garments sector. Because without accessories, it cannot be possible to produce a garment in anyway. Though we can imagine a garment product without accessories theoretically only, but it will be just a design less, forbidding, heinous & foul product, which can't be accepted by any authorized organization. So we can't imagine a garment product without accessories or help of accessories.

A thesis paper is known as a research paper that provides sufficient & reasonable information about particular topics. Our thesis paper contains accessories, supply of accessories and accessories related problems with remedies.

Accessories has been with us seen the dawn of Textile Sector. Since then, development of different accessories has been done and we have gotten different style & design of accessories. Production of garments depend on the type & design of accessories. Again production of garments can be depended on amount of accessories, shipment of accessories and problems in accessories. It is important to maintain perfect shipment of accessories, supplying perfect amount of accessories and make solutions of each problems. So we have selected this as our thesis project. Therefore, a study was carried out in the garment industry named **Amazing Fashion Limited, Bangladesh** at sewing section, finishing section & packaging section to identify the types, problems and solutions of those problems of accessories.

1.2 Aim of the Project

In this study we would try to collect information about various types of accessories, importance of accessories, problems related with accessories that garment industries face during the garment production. We also try to figure out some major problems which are occurred during sewing, finishing and packaging. Then we would try to find out their root causes and also try to find remedies.

1.3 Objectives of the Project

- To know about different types of accessories and also the types of each accessories.
- To know the problems related with accessories.
- To identify the reasons of those problems and solve this.
- To know which accessories are more important for making a full garment
- To know the supplying process of accessories (supplier to accessories store and accessories store to sewing, finishing & packaging section)
- To have knowledge about the dealing of merchandizer with supplier of accessories.
- To get a proper idea about the whole 'Sector of Accessories'

1.4 Importance of the project

We confidently ensure that, our thesis project will provide a profound knowledge about accessories, supplying process of accessories, problems faced by sewing, finishing & packaging department and their causes and remedies of a garments industry. This paper has been made for those people who require an introductory knowledge about accessories, accessories related problems with their causes and remedies. This paper will be helpful for all textile students, especially for those who will work about accessories. This paper must be more useful because it is making out with some important, informative and practical information.

1.5 Scope of the project

- To analyze the types of each accessories.
- To analyze each accessories with funded meaning.
- To reduce problems during sewing, finishing & packaging.
- To reduce time of supplying delay of accessories.

- To analyze about the supply chain related with accessories.
- To analyze the dealing of merchandizer with accessories supplier.

1.6 Limitations

We have faced some limitations during our thesis period. Those are –

- We can't compile all data due to some limitation.
- We have limited time to research this topic.
- Lack of brief information about accessories.
- There is no special training department for study.
- Changing the style and arrangement of garments.
- Limitation of limited accessories.

CHAPTER 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Accessories

A garment is produced not only from the apparel fabric (knit, woven or non-woven) but also several accessory items. Fabric is the fundamental component in garment manufacturing. Without fabric of garment, the other components are known as garment accessories. So we can surely say that, the materials or components without the main fabric used in the garments are known as **garment accessories**. These have to be selected in such a way that they fill in the outer fabric both aesthetically, in terms of decoration, and practically, in terms of assuring that the garment performs as prospective in its desired end use. Different kinds of accessories are used on garments, some are part of the garments like as buttons, zippers, interlining etc. while others are used for decorating and promoting the product appearance such as sequins, embroidery etc.

2.2 Main Functions of Garments Accessories

Accessories are used to fill various functions of a garment. Some of the functions are given below:

- Garments accessories at times conduct as a decorative material.
- Accessories can make a garment more fit & suitable to wear.
- Accessories are used to build the garments more flexible.
- Accessories help to assure the garments durability.
- To fulfil customer demand, several types of accessories are used.

2.3 Types of Garment Accessories

Depends on visibility accessories can be classified as:

- 1) Visible Accessories
- 2) Invisible Accessories
- **Visible Accessories:** Visible accessories can be seen from the outside of the garments e.g. Button, Sewing Thread, Zipper, Velcro, Different types of Label, Hang Tag etc.
- **Invisible Accessories:** They cannot be seen from outside of the garments e.g. Interlining, waist band elastic, invisible zipper, mobilon tape etc.

Depends on their function & their purpose of use accessories can be classified as:

- 1) Basic / Garments accessories
- 2) Decorative accessories
- 3) Finishing accessories
- 4) Packaging accessories
- ➤ Basic / Garment Accessories: Basic or garment accessories are the fundamental accessories of a garment. Sometimes it is not possible to produce a garment without basic accessories. Some of the basic accessories are given below
 - Sewing Thread
 - Zipper
 - Button
 - Label
 - Draw-String
 - Pocketing fabric
 - Lining
 - Interlining
 - Velcro
 - Elastic
 - Metal Sticker
 - Logo Print
 - Toggle
 - Sealing Tape
 - Collar bone etc.
- ➤ **Decorative Accessories:** This type of accessories are used to increase the appearance and to make the garments more enchanting & attractive. Some of the decorative accessories are given below-
 - Piping
 - Buttonhole tape

- Ribbed tape
- Seaming tape
- Welt tape
- Ribbon
- Twill tape
- Sequins / Panel
- Various types of Lace etc.
- Finishing Accessories: This type of accessories is used in the garments finishing section. Finishing accessories are mainly non-fabric components and basically, they don't belong to garments when it is used. Some of the finishing accessories are given below-
 - Hanger
 - Hang tag
 - Size tag
 - Price tag
 - String
 - Tissue paper
 - Sticker
 - Plastic clip
 - Scotch tape
 - Safety pin
 - Brass Pin
 - Neck board
 - Butterfly
 - Size Clip
 - Tag pin



Figure 2.1: Different types of Finishing Accessories

➤ Packaging Accessories: This type of accessories is used in garments packaging section. Packaging accessories are used before shipment. That means, these accessories are all about packaging of garments for easy shipment. Some of the packaging accessories are given below-

- Poly bag
- Mini poly bag
- Blister poly bag
- Scotch tape
- Gum tape
- Inner cartoon
- Master cartoon
- Sticker

2.4 Trims

The raw materials which are adjoined with base fabric are known as trims. That means accessories that are attached with base fabric is called trim.

Here we want to say that, accessories and trims are not the same thing. But there are a confusion among those people who works with accessories & trims. Even many people have not the minimum knowledge about, 'what is accessories or what is trim', who works in garments trade for so many years. Many people don't know the differences between accessories and trims. There are lot of differences between accessories and trims. They are —

Sl No	Subject	Accessories	Trims
	Technical	All components used to make the	Components always attached with
01	Definition	garments during garment finishing	main fabric during sewing, not in
		& packing, not by sewing.	garments finishing & packing.
02	Area	All accessories are not trims	All trims are accessories
03	Price	Can be cheap or costly	Usually costly
04	Life Time	Not necessary for those which are	Might be equal or more than main
		not trims	fabric
05	Essentiality	May be essential or not	Essential component of garment

06	Key Point	Accessories are used as decorative	Trims	are	used	as	functional
		intention.	intentio	on.			

Table 2.1: Differences between Accessories and Trims

Examples of trims: Sewing thread, zipper, button, interlining, draw-string, elastic, Velcro, twill tape, neck tape, mobilon tape, button-hole tape, ribbon, different types of label etc.

Examples of accessories: Hanger, Hang tag-string, Size tag, Price tag, Tissue paper, Sticker, Plastic clip, Scotch tape, Safety pin, Neck board, Arrow Sticker, Numbering Sticker, Size Clip, Tag pin, Poly bag, Mini poly bag, Blister poly bag, Scotch tape, Gum tape, Inner cartoon, Master cartoon etc.

2.5 Supplying Sequence of Accessories

In ready-made garments factory, accessories are supplied from buyer nominated supplier or own choice supplier of garments factory. Basically order is received by merchandizers and they review it with costing & consumption. Then they confirm the order with subject to discussion. After confirming order, merchandizers make order for accessories from supplier. If the supplier confirm the order, the shipment of accessories should be done according to the quantity and quality of the accessories. Then accessories are stored in Accessories Store Room and then accessories are supplied to sewing section, finishing section & packaging section.

Order receive

Review order with costing & consumption

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Order confirm (Subjected to discussion)

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Make order for Accessories from supplier

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Confirming order by supplier

1

Shipment of accessories

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Stored in Accessories Store Rom

1

Supplying accessories to sewing, finishing & packing

1

Attaching of accessories

2.6 Approval of Accessories

Generally in garments factory, after getting initial order of a style of garment, merchandizer have ordered the sample of accessories from the supplier and sent those accessories to the buyer. If the buyer approval has been complete, then the different accessories for different styles of a garment has been ordered from supplier for bulk production. If the sample accessories don't match with buyer requirement, then the accessories have not approved. So actual accessories should be sent to the buyer. Different swatch card for different style of garments have been sent to the buyer. For example, swatch card of Care label for approval & Trims card for approval from Amazing Fashions Ltd. (AFL) are given here -





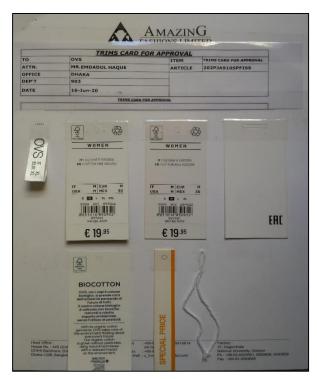


Figure 2.2: Swatch Card for Accessories Approval

2.7 Costing of Accessories

Generally in all garments factory, after getting initial order of a style of garment, merchandizer have made the costing of accessories. Costing have made according to the price with quantity. If the final order has been approved, merchandizer have to order accessories from the own choice supplier or buyer nominated supplier. Generally extra sewing accessories & finishing accessories have ordered from supplier 5% & 3% respectively.

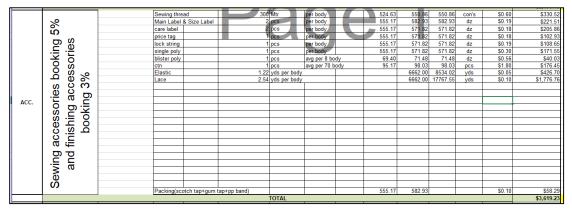
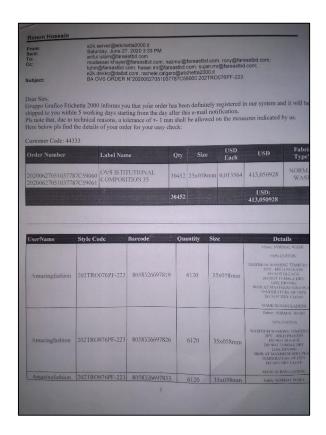


Figure 2.3: Costing of Accessories

2.7 Order of Accessories

After approving order of a garment, total number of accessories have been ordered from supplier. The accessories have been ordered according to the buyer requirement. As an example for Barcode Label, it is ensured by merchandizer to the supplier that fabric type, barcode number, style code, size number and other details must present in Barcode Label. Due to technical reasons, supplier get a tolerance of \pm 1 mm would be allowed on measures indicated by merchandizers in sizes of Barcode Label. Supplier has also informed that, merchandizers order has been definitely registered in their system.

According to the merchandizer requirement, supplier have supplied Barcode Label. By this way all the accessories have supplied according to the user name, order number, customer code, size, style code and quantity. Shipment of accessories have done within 5 working days.



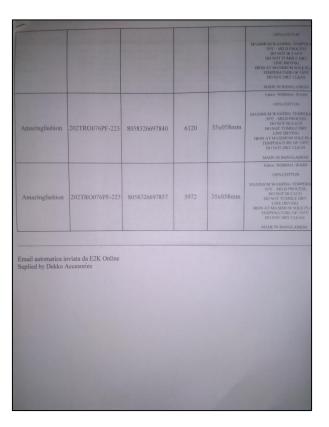


Figure 2.4: Details of Barcode Label for Supplier

2.8 Supply of Accessories & Store in Storage Room

Supplier supply the accessories in time according to the buyer requirement with required quantity & quality. After the shipment of accessories, all the accessories are stored in store room. In store room, there are different places for each buyer to store their accessories. After the shipment, quantity and quality is checked and if any problem has been found, store room in-charge informed to the merchandizers.



Figure 2.5: Accessories Store Room

2.9 Accessories Supplying to Sewing, Finishing & Packaging

After storing & checking the accessories in the store room, accessories are supplied to the sewing, finishing & packaging section according to the quantity. Basically almost 5% more sewing accessories and 3% more finishing & packaging accessories are supplied to those sections. Then all the accessories are distributed to the operator or worker according to their working process. Some accessories can be as long form e.g. lace, hanger loop, elastic, neck tape, twill tape mobilon tape etc. These accessories are cut by helper or worker as the required measurement and supplied to the operator except mobilon tape. Mobilon tape is cut by sewing machine during stitching by sewing operator.

2.10 Outer Appearance of Accessories



Sewing Thread



Buttons



Interlining



Zipper



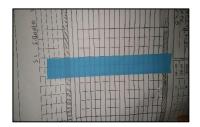
Gum Tape



Draw-String



Mobilon Tape



Sealing Tape



Heat Seal



Neck Tape



Master Cartoon



Poly Bag



Hang-String



Swatch Card



Blister Polybag



Mini Poly Bag



Plastic Hook



Safety Pin



Size Sticker



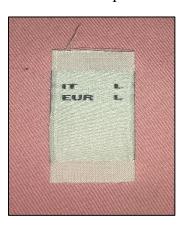
Plastic Clip



Scotch Tape



Cartoon Sticker



Size Label



Hanger Loop



Different Tag



Flag Label



Care Label



Barcode Label



Main Label



Metal Sticker



Hanger

Figure 2.6: Outer Appearance of Accessories

2.11 Quality of Accessories

Quality is more essential for customer impregnation. Good quality raises demand and value of apparel products. It increases reputation, fame and goodwill for garments accessory manufacturer. Accessories play an important role in garments manufacturing. If accessories are not matched with the finished garment products then all will be wasted. So it needs to provide profound concern on apparel manufacturing.

It needs to be careful in all the sectors of apparel manufacturing. But during working with accessories in sewing, finishing and packaging, it is too much important. A single fault could be rejection of garments. All the accessories which use for making a garment should be qualified for use. Quality control section should be careful during a garment manufacturing. The main point is that, good quality accessories should be supplied to the apparel manufacturing companies.

2.12 Importance of Accessories

Accessories control the apparel quality effectively. Accessories give the garments a sustainable look, property specification, specification of garments value and help the garments for easy shipment. Customer attraction on garments product also depends on different accessories.

Garment accessories have also their own magnificence to give fashionable, stylish and trendy look to the fabric and other products. But accessories give much importance to consumer's intrinsic style, taste and preferences. They also offer unlimited chances for clothes, helping consumer to do the best of each item consumer have. Garments take up more space physically in consumer's closet and clothes, but accessories are important details to fulfill each appearance. Accessories are as important as clothing, offering a whole new chance to express themselves. With accessories, consumer can make an abundant style waves up from head to toe.

2.13 Problems in Accessories, Accessories Supplying & Attaching

Sometimes problems are found in accessories. Again sometimes there are some problems which are happening during supplying of accessories. Some problem are happening during accessories attaching.

2.13.1 Problems in Accessories Supplying

- Broken accessories supplying
- Less amount of accessories supplying
- Supplying of wrong accessories for wrong style
- Inaccurate accessories supplying
- Delay accessories supplying
- Supplying accessories of wrong size
- Mistake in shipment date; though it's a rare case.
- Lost or damaged accessories during supplying etc.

2.13.2 Problems in Accessories

Many problems are found in Store room during checking of accessories. They are –

- Broken accessories
- Shade variation in accessories
- Wrong printing of hang tag
- Barcode mistake in barcode label
- Styling problems
- Frayed polybag or cartoon
- Quality problem of different accessories
- Less strength of sewing thread
- Printing Mistake on elastic etc.

2.13.3 Problems in Accessories Attaching

Following problems are caused during accessories attaching –

- Sewing mistake for low quality sewing thread
- Needle breaking during metal sticker attaching
- Wrong barcode label & size label attaching for wrong style
- Button attaching on wrong position
- Wrong hang tag attaching for wrong style
- Wrong sticker of specification attaching for wrong cartoon

2.14 Remedies of Above Problems

All the problems have the specific solutions. All the problems can be minimized by accurate planning and execution. Remaining careful is the main solutions of those problems. Supplier should supply accurate number of accessories, minimize shipment delay, provide good quality accessories, and provide accessories for accrual size & style. Then it is possible to minimize the problems of accessories. Problems during accessories attaching can be minimized by increasing carefulness. Worker unrest should be minimized. Then they can concentrate during accessories attaching.

CHAPTER 3 METHODOLOGY

We have worked at Amazing Fashions Ltd. (BD) in accessories and trimmings segment and after completing those segment, we have known details about accessories and trimmings. We also have found many problems related with accessories and trimmings in sewing, finishing & packaging and have tried to find solutions of those problems.

At the beginning of our project, we are introduced to the in-charge of the accessories store room by admin of Amazing Fashions Limited. The in-charge was too helpful and helped us to experience with different types of accessories and to find the problems of those accessories.

3.1 Accessories Used in AFL

Amazing Fashions Ltd. (AFL) is a knit garments factory. So here, woven based accessories and trimmings have not used. The accessories which are used in AFL are listed below:

- Sewing Thread
- Buttons
- Zipper
- Interlining
- Velcro
- Various Types of Label
- Mobilon Tape
- Neck Tape
- Gum Tape
- Scotch Tape
- Hang Tag
- Hang-String
- Draw String
- Hanger
- Hanger Loop
- Safety Pin
- Plastic Hook

- Plastic Clip
- Mini Polybag
- Polybag
- Blister Polybag
- Inner Carton
- Master Carton
- Heat Seal
- Sealing tape
- Nose Bar
- Ear Loop
- Metal Sticker
- Carton Sticker
- Elastic
- Silica Zell
- Tag Pin
- Tissue Paper
- Lace etc.

3.2 Accessories Suppliers of Amazing Fashions Limited

SL. No	Supplier	Supplied Accessories
01	Supreme Accessories Ind. Ltd.	Tube Draw-String, Tipp Draw-String,
		Hanger Loop
02	MS Sumon & Brothers	Eyelet, Snap & Metal Button
03	South China Accessories Ltd.	Logo eyelet Button
04	Angel Buttons Ltd.	Others Button
05	D.H. Enterprise	Draw-String (Tipp), Elastic
06	Young Labels Ltd.	Tag (OVS) & Care Label
07	Zdd Industries Ltd.	Zipper
08	Babylon Trims Ltd. and Montrims	Master & Inner Cartoon, Polybag & Blister
	Ltd.	Polybag

09	Bellwoven Bangladesh	Label (Karstadt)
10	Kawn BD	Tissue Paper, Plastic Hook & Clip, Silica
		Zell, Tag Pin
11	Universal Yarn Dyeing Ltd.	Sewing Thread
12	Shanghai Qiubai Trading	Lace Trims
13	Meister International	Main Label, Size Label
14	Dekko Accessories Ltd.	Main Label, Size Label, Special Tag, Care
		Label, Price Tag
15	Indesore Accessories Ltd.	Flag Tag, Neck Tape

Table 3.1: Accessories Supplier of Amazing Fashions Limited

3.3 Core Problems of Each Accessory

Now here we discuss about the supplying system, supplying problems, physical problems, attaching problems, reasons behind the problems of each and every accessories & trimmings which we had found in Amazing Fashions Ltd.

3.3.1 Problems in Sewing Thread

In Amazing Fashion Limited, sewing thread is collected from Universal Yarn Dyeing Ltd. which is a sister concern of Amazing Fashion Limited. Sewing thread color, thread count & composition of sewing thread are varied according to the buyer requirement. In Amazing Fashion Limited there are different work order for different sewing thread according to the thread color, base fabric color swatch, order quantity, thread per body, thread cone quantity, and thread count & composition of sewing thread.

A delivery list of sewing thread to Amazing Fashion Limited for different style of garments of **TOPTEN** is given here –

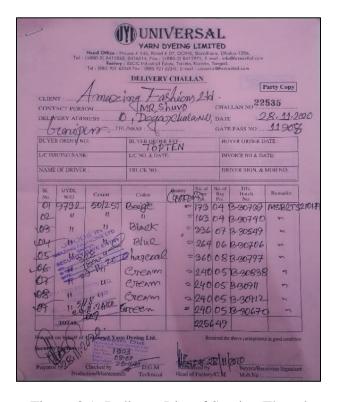


Figure 3.1: Delivery List of Sewing Thread

In AFL we had found below problems of sewing thread:

- Some sewing thread have the shade or color variation problem as it doesn't match with base fabric of garment.
- Some sewing thread have less tensile strength. As a result thread breakage is happened during sewing and it can't hold the stitched seam securely during wash and wear.
- Some sewing thread are not uniform, non-torque and fault free. So that sewing thread can't pass freely through the small eye of the needle.
- Less smooth surface of some sewing thread increases the friction among the needle and the material during high-speed sewing.
- Elasticity of some sewing thread isn't match the elasticity of the fabric being sewn.
- Some sewing thread have less resistance to heat for which sewing thread is damaged by the heat generated from needle.
- Some sewing thread have hairiness problem which can affect the appearance of the seam.

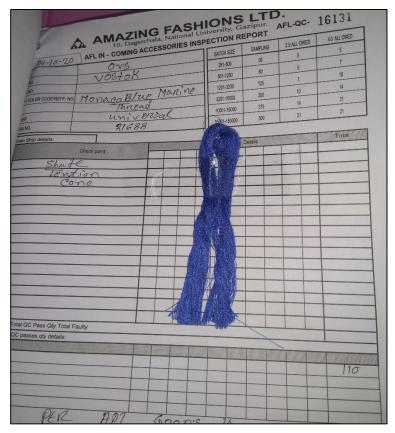


Figure 3.2: Shade, tension & count problem in Sewing Thread

3.3.2 Problems in Buttons

Buttons are supplied by South China Accessories Ltd., MS Sumon & Brothers and Angel Buttons Ltd. in Amazing Fashions Limited and buttons are classified as following types -

- According to Ligne Number
- According to Material Used
- According to No. of Hole

According to ligne number, in Amazing Fashions Limited, maximum time 14 L, 16 L, 18 L, 20 L buttons are used for functional purposes and sometimes 26 L, 28 L, 30 L, 32 L, 34 L, 36 L buttons are used decorative purposes.

According to material used, in Amazing Fashions Limited, following buttons are used –

- Plastic button
- Metal button
- Eyelet button

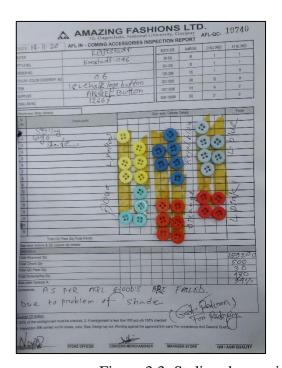
- Snap button
- Wooden button
- Horn button
- Chalk button
- Pearl button
- Printed button

According to number of hole, in Amazing Fashions Limited, according to the number of holes following buttons are used –

- 2 Holes Button
- 4 Holes Button

In AFL we had found below problems in buttons:

- Broken buttons are supplied by suppliers.
- Styling problem was found during inspection after coming buttons.



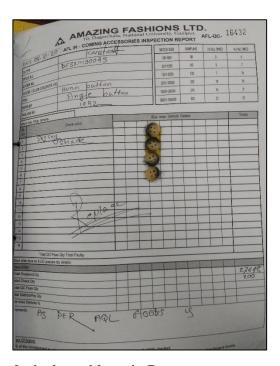


Figure 3.3: Styling, logo-print & shade problems in Buttons

- We had seen the shade variation problem from one to another in same type of buttons.
- We had found inaccurate logo or print on buttons of same type.

- We observed that some buttons had sharp edges which is the cause unexpected problems.
- Some buttons have minimum fitful shape which causes the incorrect attaching of buttons.
- Sometimes buttons with two or more materials become detached.
- Buttons made of coconut, wood or shell are destructed by normal wash & wear.
- Buttons corresponding food allures children to chew on the button and thread which is the cause to thread being cut by the child's teeth.
- Buttons placed in wrong positions that are not comfortable to the wearer e.g. back of babies items.

3.3.3 Problems in Zipper

In Amazing Fashions Limited, zippers are mainly collected Zdd Industries Ltd. or directly from different companies of China. Two types zipper are mainly used in AFL –

- o Metal Zipper
- o Coil Zipper



Figure 3.4: Requirement problem in Zipper

In AFL we had found below problems in Zipper:

- We have found attaching problems due to shortage dimension of the length of zipper and width of tape.
- Sometimes the upper and lower stop edges of zipper is not securely sewn.
- We have found the color variation problem between chain and zipper.
- The shape or dimension and color of the zipper is changed by ironing in finishing section.
- Sometimes the slider is not run easily or locks to the zipper and it has to break.
- Sometimes operators are attaching the chain with garments opposite to the direction of slider and it crates huge problems.

3.3.4 Problems in Velcro

In Amazing Fashions Limited, Velcro is mainly used in trousers and baby items. Velcro is supplied by D.H. Enterprise.



Figure 3.5: Appearance of Velcro

In AFL we had found below problems in Velcro:

- Velcro is not suitable for light weight garments, because of high thickness.
- Efficiency reduces because of dirt, dust & other waste materials deposited in the hook or loops.
- There is a possibility of fabric damage due to opening and closing of Velcro.
- Garments are not comfortable to wear due to less flexibility of Velcro tape.
- Durability of Velcro is hampered due to rough use.

3.3.5 Problems in Label

There are mainly two types of label are used in AFL-

- A. Main Label
- B. Sub Label





Figure 3.6: Main Label

Again the sub label which are used in AFL, are listed below –

- i. Size Label
- ii. Composition Label
- iii. Care Label
- iv. Flag Label
- v. Barcode Label
- vi. Special Label



Figure 3.7: Composition Label



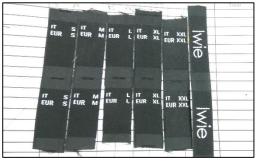


Figure 3.8: Different Size Labels





Figure 3.9: Care Label in Garments





Figure 3.10: Flag Label





Figure 3.11: Barcode Label in Garments



Figure 3.12: Special Label in Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in different Labels:

- We had noticed sewing mistake during label joining in sewing section, which is one of the cause of rejection of a garment.
- We had found mistake in Brand name of main label, which can generate the wrong idea about garments to the customers.
- We had found mistake in composition label can create problem when this mistake is clearly visible.

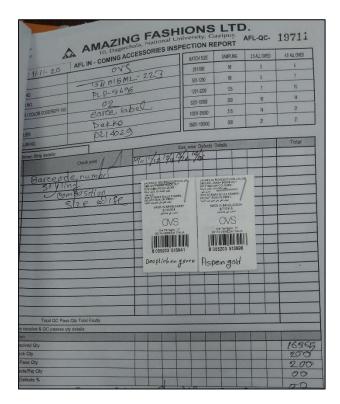


Figure 3.13: Barcode number, styling, composition & size problems in label

- We had found wrong symbol and instruction can create huge problems. As a result, the shape or dimension of the cloth can be lost.
- We also had found barcode number mistake which can generate error or wrong information about the garments to the customers.
- We had noticed that some labels contain blurry printing of information on labels can't give appropriate idea to the customers.
- Wrong labels interrupt the designers to promote their brand.

3.3.6 Problems in Interlining

In Amazing Fashions Limited fusible and non-fusible interlining are mainly used and collected from Kawn BD.





Figure 3.14: Interlining Used in Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Interlining:

- Glue penetrates back through interlining due to incorrect use.
- We see surface distortion is happened by shrinkage difference by means of incorrect use.
- Interlining resin penetrates through the fabric and comes to face side due to incorrect use.
- Interlining is melted in unexpected way completely because of overheat generation which can damage the whole fabric.
- Sometimes suppliers supply frayed interlining which can create problem.

3.3.7 Problems in Mobilon Tape

In Amazing Fashions Limited, mobilon tape is used in hoodie, t-shirts, polo-shirts, ladies dresses and baby items during shoulder join. Mobilon tape is collected from D.H. Enterprise.





Figure 3.15: Mobilon Tape in Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Mobilon Tape:

- It was damaged by the contact of heat.
- Mobilon tape is suitable for only knit or stretched fabric, not for other.
- It is damaged by wearing & using or aftercare treatments.

3.3.8 Problems in Neck Tape

Neck tape is used in the back neck of t-shirts, polo shirts or other garments. In AFL, Neck tape is collected from Indesore Accessories Ltd.

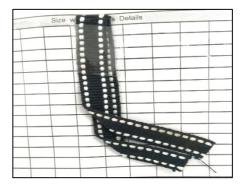




Figure 3.16: Neck Tape in Garments

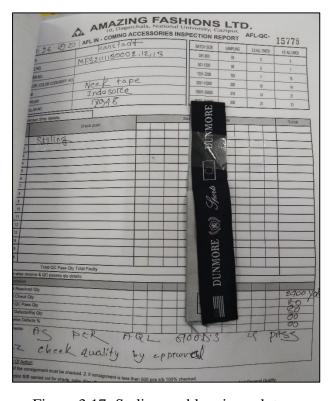


Figure 3.17: Styling problem in neck tape

In AFL we had found below problems in Neck Tape:

- We have found Hairiness problem on the outer surface of neck tape.
- We have noticed the styling problem.
- Wearer feel uneasy if the neck tape is not perfectly attached or puckering problems has created.

3.3.9 Problems in Elastic

Generally elastic is used in trousers, t-shirts, ladies dresses and in baby items etc. In AFL, elastic is collected from D.H. Enterprise.



Figure 3.18: Elastic for Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Elastic:

Printing is not in middle position on elastic.

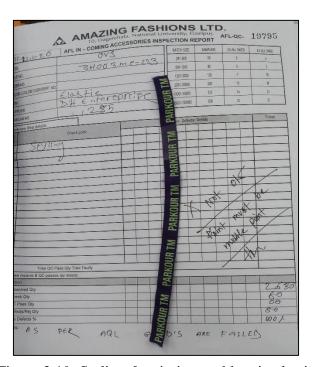


Figure 3.19: Styling & printing problem in elastic

- Shape and dimension of elastic is not being uniform.
- We have found styling problem.
- We have seen low quality of rubber material inside the elastic.

3.3.10 Problems in Draw-String

In AFL, there are different types of drawstring have used such as normal drawstring, tube drawstring, Tipp drawstring etc. It is mainly used in trousers, hoodies and ladies dresses. Generally in AFL, drawstring is collected from Supreme Accessories Ind. Ltd. and D. H. Enterprise.





Figure 3.20: Drawstring for Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Drawstring:

• We have noticed loose tipping attach in both side of the drawstring.

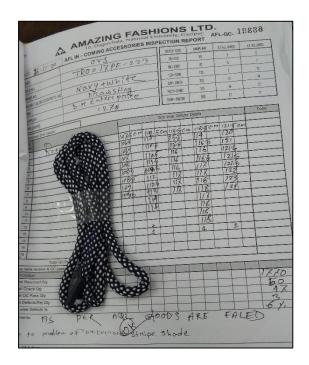


Figure 3.21: Uneven stripe shade & requirement problem in drawstring

- We have seen uneven stripe shade in one to another drawstring.
- We have found styling problem.
- Not suitable for baby dresses for happening unwanted circumstances.
- If middle tuck is not given in drawstring during sewing, then the drawstring can be withdrawn.

3.3.11 Problems in Hanger Loop

Hanger loop is given in garments in order that garments may easily hang with hanger or hook. In many woman's cloths there are many special design, which should be hanged. So hanger loops are used in those cloths much. In AFL, hanger loop is collected from Supreme Accessories Ind. Ltd.





Figure 3.22: Hanger Loop in Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Hanger Loop:

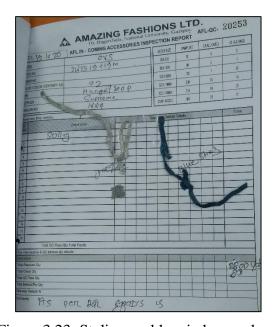


Figure 3.23: Styling problem in hanger loop

- We have seen that some hanger loop is not soft & smooth for which wearer feel uneasy.
- We have seen the attaching of hanger loop in wrong position which can create problems.
- We have found the styling problem in inspection room.
- Sometimes hanger loop even comes out to make wearer embarrassed.

3.3.12 Problems in Lace Trims

There are various types & designs of lace trims, which are used in garments according to the buyer requirement. Almost all the lace trims are made on machines. In AFL, lace trims are collected from Shanghai Qiubai Trading and D.H. Enterprise.





Figure 3.24: Lace Trims in Garments

In AFL we had found following problems in Lace Trims:



Figure 3.25: Styling problem in lace trims

- We have seen styling problem.
- We have found shade variation within a short distance in lace trims.
- There is a risk for discoloration, cross staining or damage of the lace, after wash or care treatments.
- Using hard lace trims in Baby & Children garments create scratch to their body.

3.3.13 Problems in Metal Sticker

Metal sticker contains Brand name or Brand logo for branding of Designer's Brand. Sometimes it contains the gender indicative symbol or garment size. Generally metal sticker is used in all types of garments. In AFL, metal sticker is collected from MS Sumon & Brothers and Zdd Industries Ltd.



Figure 3.26: Metal Sticker for Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Metal Sticker:

- We have seen wrong Brand name or logo on metal sticker which can create huge problem.
 But it is so rare. We have found very few previous metal sticker which contain that problem.
- Blur design of metal sticker creates problem.
- Rusting problem of metal sticker damages the fabric.
- We have noticed that needle of sewing machine is damaged during metal sticker attaching.
- Sometimes baby or children takes it in mouth and which create unwanted health problem.

3.3.14 Problems in Sealing Tape

Sealing tape is attached to the sewn seams to prevent water, dust or dirt and germ from leaking through those seams. Sealing tape is attached by using a hot air taping machine called Sealing

Machine. In AFL, sealing tape is used in PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) making in order that germ can't attack inside of PPE to human body. PPE is made of polyester fabric and sealing tape is applied on it in the sewn seam. In AFL, sealing tape is collected from Kawn BD and Indesore Accessories Ltd.



Figure 3.27: Sealing Tape

In AFL we had found below problems in sealing tape:

- Sometimes sealing tape contains less adhesive, for which sealing tape doesn't attach on sewn seam appropriately.
- Sometimes over heat derails the sealing tape attaching.

3.3.15 Problems in Accessories for Surgical Mask Making

In surgical mask making very few accessories are used. They are –

- o Ear Loop
- Nose Bar



3.28: Surgical Mask

3.3.15.1 Ear Loop

Ear loop is made of elastic material. Ear loop helps the mask to bring it to the nose level and hold the mask with both ear. In AFL ear loop is collected from D.H. Enterprise.

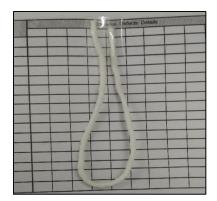


Figure 3.29: Ear Loop of Surgical Mask

In AFL we had found below problems in Ear Loop:

- We have seen for a surgical mask both the length of ear loop are different from each other.
- Sometimes we have noticed that quality of the elastic loop is not good and creates loose joint with ear.
- Mask makes scratch on face by using non elastic ear loop.

3.3.15.2 Nose Bar

Surgical mask contains nose bar in the upper side of it. It is made of malleable steel and attached in surgical mask by automatic machine. It helps the mask to adhere with nose. In AFL, nose bar is collected from D.H. Enterprise.

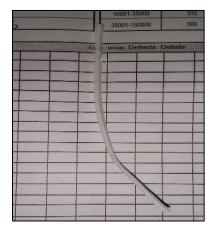


Figure 3.30: Nose Bar of Surgical Mask

In AFL we had found below problems in Nose Bar:

- For COVID-19 we use surgical mask. Sometimes we feel uneasy for nose bar.
- Sometimes it hurts the skin of nose.
- Sometimes the mask is damaged by sharp edge of nose bar.

3.3.16 Problems in Heat Seal

In a heat seal, Brand name or logo, garment size, origin of making etc. have been included. Generally heat seal are attached on the inner back side of the garments by applying heat. In AFL it is collected from Meister International & Dekko Accessories Ltd.





Figure 3.31: Heat Seal

In AFL we had found below problems in Heat Seal:

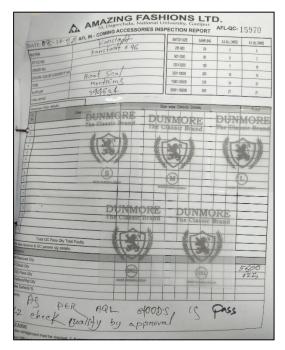


Figure 3.32: Quality problem in heat seal

- Seal is displaced for low quality handling.
- Heat seal is not attached without appropriate heat.

3.3.17 Problems in Hang Tag

Hang tag is used in every garments to indicate the price, size, origin of making, fabric composition, and special information etc. about the garments. It can be made of thin cardboard, plastic or PVC material. In AFL, all the tags are collected from Young Labels Ltd. and Dekko Accessories Ltd. Different types of hang tag can be used for a single garment. These are —

- Brand Tag
- Price Tag
- o Size Tag
- Composition Tag
- Origin of Making Tag
- Barcode Tag
- Special Tag etc.



Figure 3.33: Different Hand Tags in AFL

Generally information of price, size, barcode number or Brand information are given in a single tag which is call **Combined Tag**.



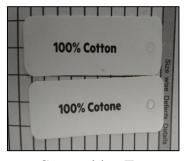
Combined Tag



Combined Tag



Brand Tag



Composition Tag



Special Tag



Special Tag

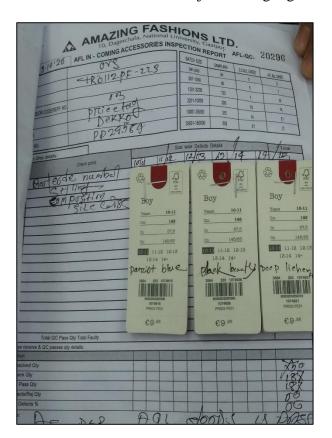


All Tags in a Garments

Figure 3.34: Different Hang Tags for Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Hang Tag:

• We have seen some rejected hang tag which contain wrong information.



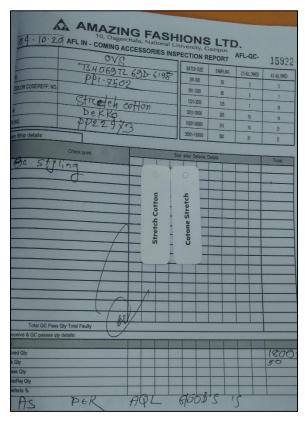


Figure 3.35: Barcode number, styling, composition, size problem in hang tag

- Hang tag which is made of paper is damaged by the contact of water.
- We have found styling problem in different hang tag.
- We have seen some rejected barcode label which contain wrong barcode number.

3.3.18 Problems in Hang-String

Hang-string is used with hang tags to hang them with garments. Without hang-string, hang tag is valueless. All the hang strings in AFL are collected from Young Labels Ltd. and Dekko Accessories Ltd.





Figure 3.36: Hang-String

In AFL we had found below problems in Hang-String:

- We had seen that Hang-String damages the hang tag by sprawling it.
- Hang tag is lost due to loose fitting of hang-string.
- We have found styling problem in hang string.



Figure 3.37: Styling problem in hang-string

3.3.19 Problems in Safety Pin

Safety pin is used in finishing of garments to hold the hang string & hang tag with the garments. Generally it is made of stainless steel or metal. In AFL safety pin is collected from Dekko Accessories Ltd.





Figure 3.38: Safety Pin in Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Safety Pin:

- If the tip of safety pin is open, it will hurt the human body.
- We have seen, rust problem is occurred in the surface of safety pin.

3.3.20 Problems in Tag Pin

Tag pin is used to attach the hang tags with the garments by tag gun machine. Tag pin is generally made of plastic. In AFL tag pin is collected from Kawn BD.





Figure 3.39: Tag gun & Tag Pin

In AFL we had found below problems in Tag Pin:

- Tag pin is highly sensitive to fire.
- Sometimes tag gun doesn't work for functional problem.

• Tag pin is made of soft plastic, so it was damaged by rough handling.

3.3.21 Problems in Silica Gel

Silica gel is a drying agent which keeps the moisture from damaging certain garments. It also keeps garments free from germ and insect. In AFL, it is collected from Kawn BD.



Figure 3.40: Silica Gel

In AFL we had found below problems in Silica Gel:

- It is damaged by the contact of heat & water.
- It is lasted in open atmosphere for 15 minutes. But inside the garment it is lasted for 4 to 12 months.

3.3.22 Problems in Tissue Paper

Tissue paper is used in garments finishing to hold the garments straight and stable. It is generally used inside the garments during folding. In AFL, it is collected from Kawn BD.



Figure 3.41: Tissue Paper

In AFL we had found below problems in Tissue Paper:

- We had noticed that tissue paper is damaged by water.
- It is frayed easily.

• We had seen the styling problem in tissue paper.

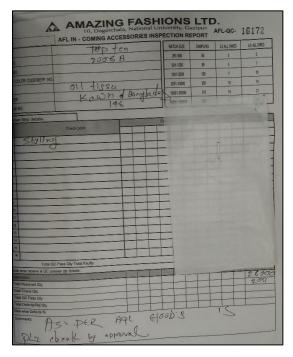


Figure 3.42: Styling problem in tissue paper

3.3.23 Problems in Hanger

It is used in garments during packaging to hang the garments. It is used before packaging garments with polybag. Sometimes hanger can be given by buyer and it contains Brand name or logo. In AFL, buyer 'OVS' gives the hanger for their garments.





Figure 3.43: Hanger for Garments

In AFL we had found below problems in Hanger:

- Hanger is broken easily for misuse.
- Creates problem during garments packing with polybag

3.3.24 Problems in Plastic Hook & Clip

Plastic hook & clip is used in garments packaging section for hanging the garments with hanger. Plastic clip is used for keeping garments straight during hanging on hanger.





Figure 3.44: Plastic hook & Plastic clip

In AFL we had found below problems in Plastic Hook & Clip:

- Plastic hook & clip are broken easily.
- Create problem during garments packing with polybag.

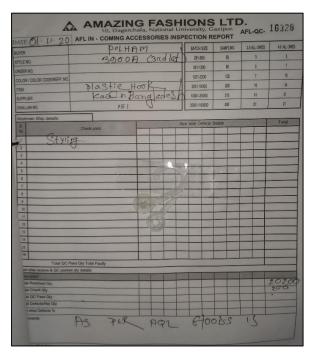


Figure 3.45: Styling problem in plastic hook

3.3.25 Problems in Tape

Tape is used to enclose the polybags and cartons. Tape contains a layer of glue in inner side which helps to stick-up the tape with object. In AFL, tape is collected from Babylon Trims Ltd. & Montrims Ltd. Tape may be following types –

- Scotch Tape
- o Gum Tape





Scotch Tape

Gum Tape

Figure 3.46: Different Types of Tape

In AFL we had found below problems in Tape:

- Tape is sensitive to heat.
- The glue is reduced by using it severally.
- During tape withdrawn carton or polybag is damaged by it.

3.3.26 Problems in Polybag

Polybag is one of the most important accessory in packaging section of garments. Before filling garments in carton, garments are packed by polybag as specific style & size wise. In AFL, different types of polybag are collected from Babylon Trims Ltd. & Montrims Ltd. Following types of polybags are used –

- o Mini Polybag
- Medium Polybag
- Blister Polybag







Mini Polybag

Medium Polybag

Blister Polybag

Figure 3.47: Different Types of Polybag

In AFL we had found below problems in Polybag:

- Polybags are too much sensitive to heat.
- Polybags are frayed.
- Polybags are initially adhered to each other, so it is time consuming to separate them by the workers who also pack the garments during packaging.

3.3.27 Problems in Carton

Carton is used to keep the garments secure and prevent the garments from carelessness handling during shipment. Basically carton is made of cardboard paper. In AFL carton is collected from Babylon Trims Ltd. & Montrims Ltd. Following types of carton are used –

- Inner Carton
- Master Carton





Figure 3.48: Inner Carton & Master Carton

In AFL we had found below problems in Carton:

- Carton is damaged by the contact of water.
- It is also damaged by immature carrying.

• It is damaged by poor sealing with gum tape too.

3.3.28 Problems in Carton Sticker

Carton sticker is a packaging accessory which is used on the outer surface of the carton. It contains carton box number, carton box size, shipping mark, destination, supplier information, garments quantity, delivery date etc.

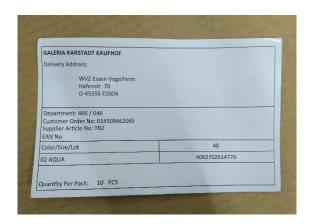


Figure 3.49: Carton Sticker

In AFL we had found below problems in Carton Sticker:

- Carton sticker is withdrawn due to less glue in back part.
- Information in sticker is wrong. But it is so rare and wrong sticker have rejected.
- Sticker is damaged by the contact of water.

3.4 Procedure after Accessories Coming

When all the accessories are coming into the factory, workers in store room have started to inspect all the accessories. Basically they inspect a little portion of accessories. Because checking all the accessories is a time consuming task. For example, if there are 1000 care labels, then they inspect only 50 care labels and collect information based on that inspection. Then the workers inform it to the in-charge of accessories store room. The in-charge makes report on different accessories inspection.

3.4.1 Action after Inspection

After inspection, if problems are found in accessories, the in-charge of accessories store room sends separate problem reports for different accessories to the merchandiser to contact with supplier. If no problems are found, the in-charge sends an okay report to the merchandiser also. After that all the okay accessories are shifted to the sewing, finishing & packaging section according to the required quantity. Some coming accessories final inspection reports for merchandiser are shown here –

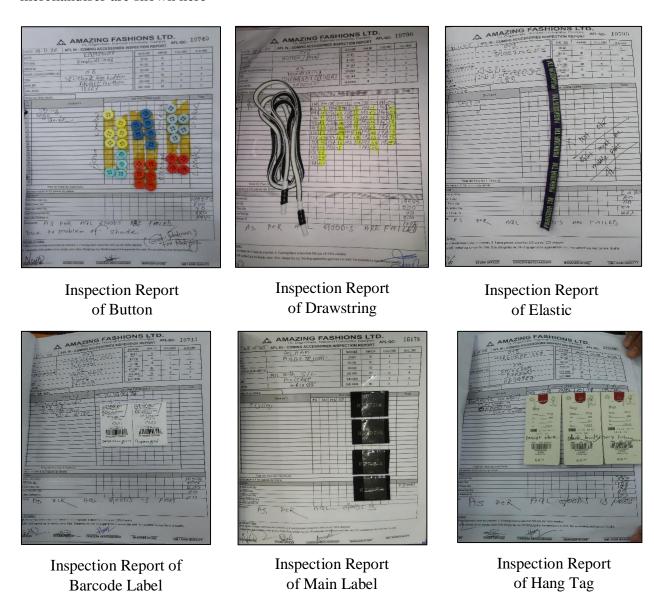


Figure 3.50: Inspection Report of Coming Accessories

3.4.2 Action of Merchandiser after Getting Inspection Report

After getting inspection report from accessories store room, merchandiser inform to supplier about report. If there are problems in accessories, merchandiser immediately sends mail to the supplier to exchange the accessories in time, otherwise order will be cancel.

CHAPTER 4 RESULT & DISCUSSION

4.1 Common Problems We Had Found

After doing a survey on accessories, we have known about many problems related with accessories. Some similar problems are occurred for different accessories. The main problems are given below -

- **Styling Problem:** almost all accessories.
- Shade Variation Problem: Buttons, Zipper and Drawstring.
- **Printing Problem:** Labels, Hang Tags, Elastic and Printed Buttons.
- Barcode Number Problem: Barcode Label, Barcode Hang Tag and Barcode Sticker.
- **Build Quality Problem:** Hanger, Plastic Hook, Plastic Clip, Metal Sticker and Buttons.
- **Information Problem:** Carton Sticker, All Labels and All Hang Tags.
- Count Variation Problem: Sewing Thread.
- Water Resistant Problem: All Cartons and Hang Tags.
- Heat or Fire Resistant Problem: Almost all accessories.

4.2 Problems during Attaching for Inappropriate Accessories

We have seen many problems during accessories attaching due to wrong & inappropriate accessories. These problems are –

- **Bottle-Neck:** This problem is happened in all section and all steps for inappropriate accessories. For wrong accessories, time delay is occurred & workers remain workless.
- **Needle Breakage:** During metal sticker, button and zipper attaching needle of sewing machine is broken.
- **Tag Withdrawn:** Hang tag is withdrawn by inappropriate attaching.
- Come out of Garments: By using wrong polybag garments are come out and mixed with different style & sizes of garments inside the carton.

We have found above problems in attaching of accessories. For those problems, making of garments and shipment time will be delay and buyer can cancel the order. But for good fortune, making of garments & shipment are done at right time.

4.3 Remedies of Those Problems & Discussion

After finding those problems, we have tried to find out the remedies of them. These are –

- All the accessories should be perfect & appropriate.
- Strength of sewing thread must be good.
- Styling problems of all accessories must be minimized.
- Printing on accessories must be appropriate.
- Uneven shade variation problems must be minimized.
- Should use appropriate count of sewing thread.
- Information and barcode number should be appropriate.
- Operator should be careful and attach right accessories for right style & size.
- All the accessories should put away from heat & water.
- Quality of each and every accessories must be good.
- Bottle-neck problem must be minimized by supplying right and appropriate accessories.

In Amazing Fashions Limited, they made report on found problems and sent it to the supplier to exchange the accessories. Otherwise they will cancel the order and make order from another supplier. Sometimes they demand discount for faulty accessories.

CHAPTER 5 CONCLUSION

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Finally we have completed our project with lots of inspection. We have worked with different accessories and have gained knowledge about what are they and what the purposes for using them in garments. Accessories are those materials which are used in garments for functional or decorative purposes. They are attached with garments either as permanently or as temporarily. Without accessories, it is totally impossible to make a complete garment. Then we have gained a vast knowledge about the problems of each and every accessory. We also tried to find the solutions of those problems of each and every accessory. The problems can be made by manufacturing issues, supplying issues, merchandizing issues or by inspection issues. All the problems are checked by worker in store room and if problems are found, then those accessories are kept separately. Sometimes problems has created in attaching of accessories. So it is very important to remain careful during accessories attaching. Finally we want to say, by doing this project, we have experienced with lot of new information which will help us not only in professional life but also in practical life.