

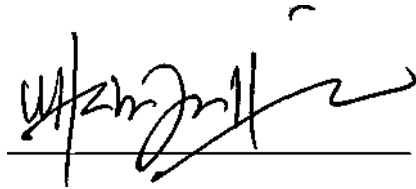
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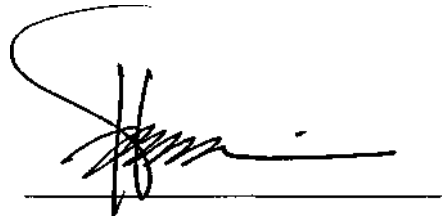
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ABSTRACT

THE STUDY OF COMPARISON BETWEEN EFFECT OF DOMESTIC LAUNDERING AND DRY CLEANING ON THE PROPERTIES OF BATIK SILK FABRIC

Silk often referred to as "The Queen of Textile" is the strongest natural fibre lustrous, smooth, inherent affinity for dyes, vibrant colours, having high absorbent and light weight qualities excellent drape and elastic properties. The objective of this work was to determine effect of domestic laundering and dry cleaning on the properties of batik silk fabric and to compare the effect of both laundering methods. The study indicated that one of the laundering give good effect than other. After 5 laundering cycles, the result for properties of fabric was not significant and could be acceptable. Both laundering resulted in fibre damage to silk fabric. The effect of both laundering methods on the properties of the batik silk would definitely benefit the customer.