

## **TAILORS: SECRET BEHIND A WELL DRESSED PERSON**

This is an interesting interview with Mrs. Sheeba Jolly.

Tailors are the useful members of society. They earn their living by tailoring or mending the clothes of their customers. They are acquainted with the latest fashions and styles in cut, shape, design. They are good cutters and outfitters.

Sheeba Jolly is a tailor, she also runs a tailoring shop called elegant tailors in Maramon at Pathanamthitta, Kerala. She has three staffs with her.

After her studies, she felt curious in tailoring. Later in 1997, she completed craft teachers training course. After that, she practiced tailoring by stitching her own dresses at her home. Ten years later, she began a self-initiative with the support of her family member in 2007.



Sheeba says it's a difficult task to start a new tailoring shop. First of all, we need to find a room for the shop. Subsequently, we have to pay the advance amount for the shop. Then, we have to buy the necessary machines and other accessories for the shop and we must have found the good tailors. Sheeba says that all these was very difficult to her.

The shop opens at 9:30 am on working days and closes at 5:30 pm. It is a ladies only tailoring shop. Two umbrella machines, two power machines, two lock machines are there. Sheeba gets around rupees 40,000 per month from the shop. The monthly payout for shop is 4000 rupees. One third of the cost of stitched dresses will give to staffs. More work will get at the shop is on Onam season, wedding time and school opening, etc., Readymade dresses, sarees and churidar materials are also sold to the customers. Sheeba says that tailoring is a job done with skill. So that, only the person with good skill can be able to stitch dresses for the customer's need.

Dealing with customers is also very skillful matter Sheeba has all these skills. Therefore, she has been successful in her job.

Sheeba shows here that we can succeed if we use our skills.

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