Importance of handicrafts for refugees in Bangladesh

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Tradeswork is important for refugees in Bangladesh to remove the unemployment of people and to make people empowered. Most of the people in developed countries are active and take part in contributing to the welfare of their families and community development and so on. We wish to do the same.

There are different types of handicraft factories in Bangladesh. Despite having these, the people in our camp are not allowed to meet any demand for it. But there is no handicraft factory in our camp so our tradesmen work outside of factories.

Foreign currency is earned by exporting such things that can be made by us. This income can meet the needs of the people. However, the people in our Bangladesh camp are not getting the benefit of this handicraft export or allowed to do this either. I make handicrafts. I know firsthand that we can support our families with this.

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