SUMAR LAKHANI FOUNDATION



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Overview



There were twelve students from the batch of January 2023 – October 2023 that have successfully graduated from the course. This was indeed a great achievement for all of our 12 sewing students.

Congratulations to our 12 women who just graduated! Twelve women completed their courses, 11 of them secured the jobs to work at tailor shops, set up their home-sewing business and one more are currently searching for jobs. The students have worked really hard to get the most of the 10-month course with us. Though half of our students are still looking for jobs, they are always on the search for it or possibilities of how to use their sewing skills. They say they won't give up because they have learnt and endured for the past 10 months and in hope their skills will not go to waste.

Major Achievements



- 93% is our average attendance rate in the classes.
- 100% of students gained a skill to generate a stable income, leading to self-reliance.
- 92% of students generated additional income from sewing.
- 100% of students improved knowledge on necessary life skills, leading to improving self-confidence and leadership.
- 100% of students improve family relationships, learning outcomes and future goals.
- 100% of students and teachers passed the assessment survey.

"I am confident with my sewing skills after 10 months learning at HHA. I am more than appreciative of this program that has helped in terms of the sewing skills and the increased confidence in myself. I will not make this skill go to waste."- Chompa



"I am happy I got given the opportunity to study sewing at HHA. Now I am able to consistently sew bags and clothes at home and also finding outside work for myself as well."- Vannak

Thouch's Successful Journey



Thouch just recently finished her high school and stayed with her old mother. She really wanted to help her family and has a strong passion for sewing. Therefore, she decided to come join this program at HHA. Thouch got offered a job at Pactics when she nearly finished the program with HHA and is currently still working at Pactics as a seamstress.

She is finally able to lift off the burden from her family and support her old mother who stays at home.

"I am so excited that I am able to use my sewing skill to earn money to support my family and myself. I am confident with what I am doing and the life skills learnt at HHA also improved my confidence as well. I will never forget when I first started learning sewing and I am proud of where I am now."



Microfinance Loan Overview



- 100 machine loans have been provided to our sewing students up to date.
- 85 machine loans paid back from our students.
- 15 students are currently paying for their sewing machines.
- This year, we provided 12 machine loans to our students, so they can use them to practice their sewing lessons at home and earn some income. Our students pay their loan regularly.

SLF grants	Loans Provided	Loans Paid (in progress)	Current loans owed	Current Loans Balance	Future Loans
\$5,000 (\$3,000 for machine loans)	12	12	12 (1,855\$)	4 (1,145\$)	12

Photos of the 12 students

























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