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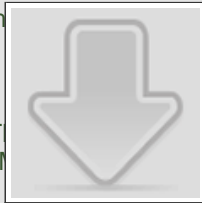
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Despite a long history of manufacture of bamboo handicrafts, traditional designs dominate and the manufacture is confined to the rural and peri-urban areas. Neither efforts to promote this sector have arrested the vanishing of traditional designs nor have new designs been improved to promote their markets. These products are being rapidly replaced by less environment-friendly, cheap plastic substitutes. Consequently, artisans traditionally dependent on bamboo and rattan craft have become socially and economically vulnerable.

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