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Manufacturing is the process of turning raw materials into finished things using labor, machinery, tools, and biological or chemical processing or formulation. Manufacturing can refer to the large-scale transformation of raw materials into completed goods or the development of more complicated objects by supplying basic commodities to manufacturers for things that will be sold to the market.

This is demonstrated when we went to Villa Socorro Farm which provides manufacturing of banana chips and furniture. The place has no plantation, but their goal is to help local farmers and smallholder of crops that plants variety of their produce. Through this, they help their workers and their children. The company provides playing center for their worker’s children while their parents work which has flexible time of schedule.

With this being said, the process of manufacturing in the place is beneficial to both parties, which are local farmers and the company. The local farmers profit because the company buys them and in exchange, the company processes and manufactures the raw materials and turn them into a product that will be delivered and sold to the market. One example in the location that we visited is that, they turn raw bananas into processed banana chips, rejected bananas are turned into banana cue, banana peels are turned into fertilizers. In addition, some trees are manufactured into furniture. Some lifeless trees that were destroyed from the typhoon are recycled and transformed into plant stands or stools that can still be useful at homes.

I came to conclusion that having both local farmers of banana, and a company who imports from these local farmers would be sustainable for the economy. Farm-partners like this are limited based on my experience, because of this I am amazed of how they manage their company while helping others.