

# ***Mankar Training Center***

Foot pedals pulse up and down as the hum of five sewing machines mixes with women's cheerful chatter and soft laughter. The representatives of the NGO where the center is located tease the women as they work. The NGO representatives are young: all between the ages of 20 and 25 with high hopes for the women and the social change they can facilitate. When the three months of training are complete, the women will divide into three tailoring cooperatives consisting of seven women each to utilize the valuable skills they are learning.

