

BDI ACTIVITIES 1993-94

5. OTHER BDI ACTIVITIES

1. *Pacific Century Video Series and Reading Materials:* Last year BDI acquired the Pacific Century Video Series (ten one-hour video tapes), books and instruction materials. The videos have been shown a few times in the gatherings of Bangladeshis of Pittsburgh area. Bangladeshis attending the video shows took interest in the subject matter of the video presentation and engaged in the discussion of economic development after the showings. The videotapes are available for viewing from the Office of BDI. Please contact BDI Office at (425) 373-4013.
2. *Presentation of Paper by BDI Officials:* The essay “Current Status of Machinery Manufacturing in Bangladesh”, authored by Ashraf Ali and Faizul Islam (See the Section on SELECTED ESSAYS in this issue of T&I Journal), was presented at the (a) American Association of Bangladesh Engineers National Convention-1994, held on August 6, 1994 at Bethesda, Maryland by Ashraf Ali and (b) eighth North American Bangladesh Convention, East Brunswick, New Jersey, September 2-4, 1994 by Faizul Islam. The presentations generated considerable amount of discussions among the participants and audience.
3. *Video taping of Manufacturing in Dholai Khal and Conversation with a few Officials:* The current Treasurer of BDI (Ashraf Ali) visited Bangladesh in the month of June-July, 1994. Among other things, he videotaped some of the typical manufacturing activities of Dholai Khal area. He also interviewed the President and the General Secretary of the Owner’s Association Tajijul Haque (Master) and Shah Alam (Chunnu Mia) respectively on the camera and videotaped the interviews with a few other prominent entrepreneurs of Dholai Khal area. Ashraf Ali is in the process of writing a script for the video and hopes to edit the videotape in order to make it presentable to the public as a documentary.