

SUPERVISOR'S OPINION OF BACHELOR THESIS

Study programme: International Territorial Studies
Department: Regional development and public administration
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Name of thesis: Textile and Clothing Industry – salvation or curse of developing countries – the case of Bangladesh
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ASSESSMENT OF THESIS: (always add verbal comments)

1. COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIRED ASSIGNMENT:

The bachelor thesis are in accordance with required assignment. Set goals were fulfilled only partially (see below).

2. WORK WITH ACADEMIC LITERATURE:

List of references is adequate to the topic and bachelor thesis in common – student used varied package of sources including also some reports created by international organizations. I really appreciate that, because these reports are often the only one source of statistical data. All references are cited correctly.

3. CONTENT LEVEL OF WORK:

The bachelor thesis has two parts – theoretic and practical, which are divided into seven chapters. The most of the thesis is based on references desk research, which comment the main problems concerning with the topic (social responsibility, sweatshops and others). This part has sufficient quality. Student proves the ability for systematic work. The practical part is – unfortunately – the opposite of previous one. The impact of textile and clothing industry on Bangladesh is shown only briefly and a bit ambiguous in chapter 6. Student points out to economic development of the country and draw the comparison between it and similar countries. This point corresponds with the methodology and it is the positive thing in that chapter. Following parts bring only shallow characteristics of TC industry with no comparison in time which could show any progress in this topical and urgent topic. That is a pity, because author can use studied literature in discussion. The quality of this practical chapter has significantly influenced my final classification.

4. FORMAL LAYOUT:

The formal layout is well done, student uses also figures and tables which support the ideas of text. Quality of these objects is good (except for the frame of some tables). I have two objections to the text: it is unsuitable to have any free pages in

the work, I find this point as a mistake (space between p. 22 and 23). And, it is very unusual to start the chapter with the figure.

5. COOPERATION WITH SUPERVISOR:

Cooperation with supervisor was correct, there were several consultations. But some supervisor's recommendations were not integrated to the thesis.

SPECIFIC REMARKS AND COMMENTS ABOUT THE THESIS:

In compliance with previous evaluation, I find the quality of the thesis below-average, especially for the low quality of the practical part. But taking into account the other aspects of the thesis, I finally recommend it for the defence. I believe that author will be able to answer my (and also opponent's) questions in excellent way.

I would like to ask:

Is the TC industry salvation or curse for Bangladesh? Can you explain your opinion with some clear facts?

Is there any progress in the relation between TC industry and development of Bangladesh during last twenty years? Can you illustrate this with some statistics or figures?

If you compare TC industry in Bangladesh with similar countries (e.g. the group of them on p.25) – has Bangladesh any specific advantage or disadvantage in that?

DEFENSE OF THESIS: recommended

FINAL CLASSIFICATION PROPOSAL: E

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Signature of supervisor