**APPLICATION FORM**

**Jute, the golden fibre of Bengal and an empire monopoly How the sweat of Bengal cultivators facilitated the expansion of the trade of the British Empire (1830-1940)**

**Community participants**

Please read project details carefully and the commitments involved before completing and submitting your application. You can obtain information on the project from the website [www.stepney.org.uk](http://www.stepney.org.uk), or by making an email request [heritageproject@stepney.org.uk](mailto:heritageproject@stepney.org.uk).

**Application Deadline: Closing date application: Sunday 3 September 2023.**

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| The information you supply on this form will be treated in confidence. | |
| **Full name:** | |
| **Address** (The postcode is required. The full address is optional): | |
| **Email:** | **Telephone:** |
| **Educational qualifications:** | |
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| **Experience (relevant work and volunteering)** | |
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| **Supporting statement** | |
| Please use this section to provide background, knowledge, experience and skills that make you suitable to participate in the project as aCommunity participant: Heritage Oral Historians/Heritage Researchers/Heritage Creatives, what you can contribute and how you will benefit from your participation. (450-word limit)  **Who should apply?**  Ordinary members of London’s diverse communities from all walks of life, particularly from East London, are invited to apply. This project is particularly suitable for individuals interested in developing their knowledge, skills and experience in jute and empire-related history and heritage and sharing their findings and outcomes with the broader public. We are not seeking established academics, historians or professional researchers to join the project. | |
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| **What position are you interested in?**  Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant dotted line.   1. Study Dundee's jute history and its local impacts ………. 2. Research jute imports, exports and factories in East London ………. 3. Explore historical jute growing areas in present-day Bangladesh ………. 4. Learn how jute helped the worldwide expansion of British Empire’s trade ………. 5. Discover jute’s contribution to British commerce and economic power ………. 6. Make jute products using raw jute and jute textiles from Bangladesh: 7. Recreations of historical products ………. 8. Creation of new items based on historical inspiration ………. | |
| Please sign and date before submitting to heritageproject@stepney.org.uk | |
| **Signature:**  **Date:** | |