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# Swadeshi for sustainable development

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The concept of Swadeshi takes a prime role in sustainable development and it is important that all people get involved in such activities, said K. Babu, Minister for Excise, here.

He was speaking at the inauguration of the seminar “Swadeshi and development” at the Swadeshi Festival organised by the Gandhi Centre for Rural Development at Gandhi Bhavan, Kacheripady. He said that only when questions like development for whom, why and how can be answered in concurrence with Mahatma Gandhi's Swadeshi concept would the activities of Swadeshi reach its rightful target.

At the function, Mayor Tony Chammany presided. As part of the festival, training in soap-making and consumer products will be conducted. Paper bag making would be taught on February 11, 12 and 13 and umbrella making on February 14 and 15. Those interested in participating can contact [0484-2397510](tel:0484-2397510) or 2365304 for more details.