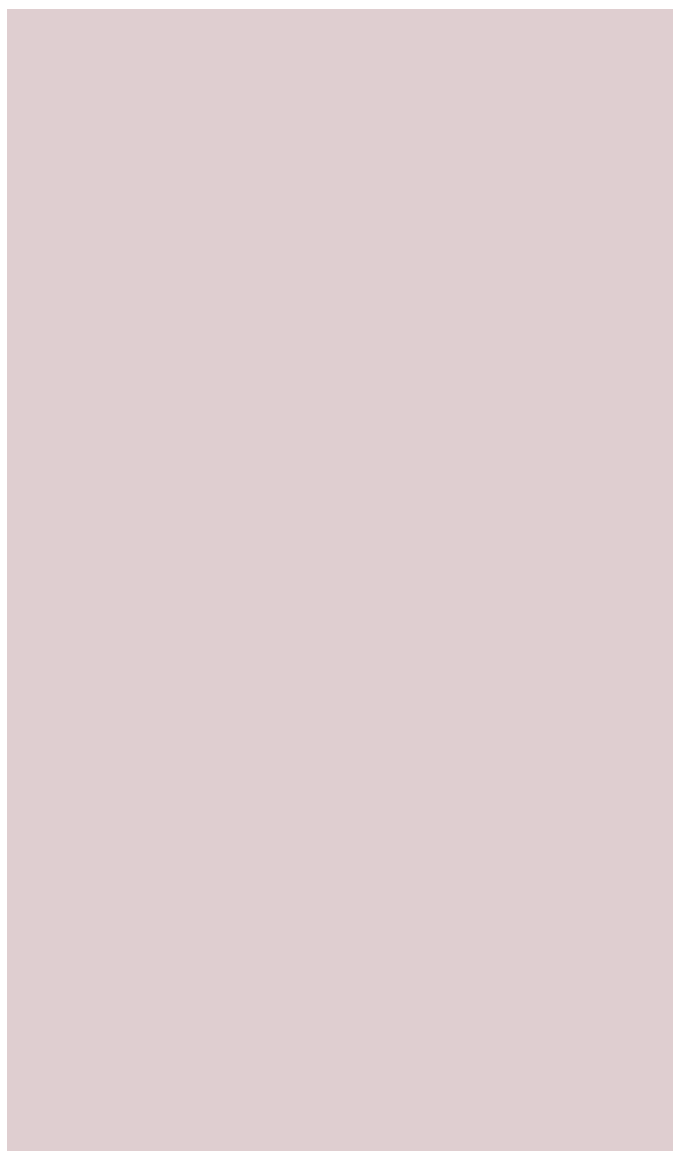


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Most female garment workers we spoke to told us how supportive their husbands were to start working in the business and how they support them when they work long shifts. They said that cooking, cleaning and washing dishes are just some of the responsibilities that their husbands now shoulder for them.

Do these spouses show their support because they care about their wives' professional advancement?

Insights from our interviews with female workers and their spouses showed that most husbands are supportive of their wives' employment because it is financially advantageous for them. In times of economic hardship, husbands let their wives work in garment factories so they can save money too, for example, build a house or

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