



## TRADITIONAL HENNA

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Henna handwork at Rohingya wedding  
So boastful tradition and heritage  
Outstanding and quite graceful  
Artwork that shines up  
Fiancée whose heart beats restlessly  
To apply henna before the wedding  
The bridegroom who awaits to see

On velvet and smooth palms  
Redly and redly circular patches  
Henna art like the heart  
At the full-moon night  
Singing traditional song for fiancée  
Bridesmaids do disco dance  
The moment of fun and joy  
During the predawn  
Grinding leaves of the henna  
Artworks of henna in forms and framings  
Apply and decorate the fiancée  
Full happiness of traditional gathering  
Tradition of Rohingya fiancée and history of henna  
Ever incomparable tradition we maintain!