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Ongoing project Updates

Mugu Health Post

This remote healthpost in west Nepal established in 2004 is continuing to provide much needed medical services.

Mr. Yagya Raj Pant an education officer working with the United Mission to Nepal recently visited the health post. His feedback was extremely positive. He commented that people in Mugu and other neighboring villages were more inclined towards receiving service from Help Nepal health post because of better care. This has recently been further expanded by healthcare staff doing outreach programs.

On November 14th 2005, the staff were tested to the full when a fire broke out at neighbouring Murma village. They immediately provided emergency medical aid and also shelter and bedding for those who had their homes and livelihood destroyed. (Many sustained burns, six homes and the local bee industry were destroyed). Later the costs were picked up by Healthcare Nepal, a USA based NGO that has consistently helped HeNN healthpost since 2004.

Salyan School

HeNN handed funds to the tune of US\$4276 in 2005 for the construction of this primary school in the remote hills of western Nepal. There has been some delay due to local security problems but these have now been resolved. The president of the construction committee has assured that the the school building will be completed soon.



Salvan School Latest Pictures

Sankhuwasabha School

Total amount approved for the refurbishment of this school in Sankhuwasabha was US\$3500. Nepal team will handover funds in phases ensuring completion as planned with the local community team. The initial phase is currently underway is the collection of materials for the construction.

The school is also getting some financial support from the local village committee's and support from community in terms of supplies like sand, transportation and stones.

The foundation work is expected to take soon.



Money handed over to representative of Sankhuasabha school.

Light up Humla

This project is a partnership between HeNN and SIDC, an environmental group. The aim is to light up 100 homes in Humla, a remote region in the western himalyayas with solar powered light. The first phase is currently getting underway after heavy snow in the region. The total funds provided by HeNN was US\$5600.



Money Hand over to Light up Humla.



over to the principal of Gorkha School on the 8th of november 2005. This school is the only 10+2 in the whole of the Gorkha district. The restocking of the library with the uptodate textbooks that was needed will benefit over 1300 students and 35 teachers.

The school had originally provided HeNN with a list of books urgently needed by the students.

Gorkha School Library

New Projects

Kavre Dental Camp

Despite being postponed due to security concerns, on 10th March 2006, Help Nepal Network in cooperation with Himal Dental Hospital and The Red Cross Society (Setidevi branch) successfully organized a dental camp at Budol, Dhulikhel.

In the dental camp a total of 245 people were seen and received treatment which included fillings, extraction of infected teeth and scaling. Participants were also provided with dental hygeine education and toothbrushes. Total cost to HeNN was US\$550





Teeth checking at the dental camp.

Recording Number of Patients

HeNN Global News

Conflict impacted children related projects - HeNN Picnic Program for CIC

When a longterm supporter of Nepal, Mrs Celia Brown approached HeNN in London with the aim of helping children caught up with the conflict, it took just a few days to put together a program that saw 61 children have a memorable day.

HeNN-Nepal office organized a picnic program in Kathmandu for the children affected in some way by the conflict on Xmas eve 2005. Altogether 61 children from four different organizations: Conflict Victimized Orphans Support Center, Women's and Children Social Welfare, Bal Chetna Samuha and Sahara Group participated in the program.



Children playing in the Picnic Program for CIC

This program was an effort to add contentment to the children by fulfilling some of their primary needs with entertainment. Different gifts were given to all children participating in the picnic. The gifts included winter clothes (a pair of tracksuit, a pair of socks, a cap), a pair of sports shoes, stationary goods (copy, pencil, eraser, sharpener) and extra gifts along with some refreshments.

Mohan Chaudhari, a conflict impacted children taking shelter in 'Conflict Victimized Orphan Support Center' was overwhelmed with excitement and said that the time he spent in the picnic that day was very pleasant. He was specially happy to receive the clothes and other gifts as he had only two pairs of clothes (a school uniform and one outing cloth).

Sushila Rai of 'Womens and Children Social Welfare' said, " I had splendid time. I knew beforehand that we would be getting clothes and shoes from Help Nepal Network, but did not know that we all would get gifts as well. I enjoyed games although I could not be the winner."

The program concluded with enormous sense of accomplishment and satisfaction for the organizers. Such activities are the must for building up confidence of the children specially conflict impacted children.



Picnic Program for CIC.

Help Nepal Balbalika Centre to be established!

You may remember recent fundraising efforts by NBT who last year broke the recod for worlds longest gig and also the worlds highest gig. All for conflict impacted children.

They have raised £19000 to date and this was transferred to HeNN UK account in Feb 2006 with the aim of building a shelter for children.

Nepal team in the meantime have successfully obtained land in Dhulikhel to site the shelter. The land is conveniently attached to a public school and the final legal documents have just been signed. HeNN Nepal team is working hard on the budget and sketch of the shelter as well as analyzing different aspects of the project to ensure the shelter's sustainability.



CIC shelther land visit by NBT

Stationary goods for HSN children

Instead of buying Xmas presents, money was instead donated to HeNN by members of Harnett House Children's Center in Melbourne Australi. This was then used to buy stationary by Nepal team for conflict impacted children in Chitwan under the care of Helpless Service Nepal. Handover occurred on 1st March 2006. Most of the children sheltered in this organization are conflict affected.



Stationary goods for HSN children

Proceeds of "Chyatna Nasakeko Chithi" to go to HeNN

The author of a novelette -"Chyatna Nasakeko Chithi", Dr. Deepak Khadka, impressed with HeNN activities has decided to donate all the proceeds of his novelette to HeNN. The novelette is published by International Nepali Literary Society. More details about the novelette can be found here.

HeNN family would like to thank Dr. Khadka for his generosity.

Conclusion

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