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Introduction

In keeping with feedback from many members of the Network, we have introduced this bulletin and this is the second of its kind. We want to show you how useful your contributions have been and continue to be. As an organisation you are the vital link and without your input, many of these things would not have happened.

Health post in west Nepal opening soon

We are delighted to announce that Mugu health post is completed and scheduled for opening on June 15. The locals have indeed named it after HeNN. The District Development Committee is going to provide three healthcare workers and District Health Office (DHO) will provide one healthcare worker. In addition, DHO is providing necessary medicines to run the health post for a short period. It is now imperative that HoNN exclusions in the functions of the local the	
that HeNN continues its fundraising activity to keep the health post open. If you wish to help further then you can	

donate online using this secure mean GIVE NOW. The chart and map show where our healthpost is located and the costs for it.

School building in Lamjung completed

We are pleased to announce that the construction of Kamala Primary School in Simpani Subedi VDC in Lamjung District is successfully completed. Now, the school will be able to run a higher secondary level whereas previously there were constraints on facilities which prevented students attending. HeNN contributed Rs.200, 000 for the construction of the school building in August 2002. The total project requiredRs.700, 000 of which Annapurna Conservation Trust contributed Rs. 350,000 and local participation drew in Rs. 150,000.

Fund raising in Sweden

In keeping with the global nature of HeNN, our team in Sweden made a presentation at the Annual Sweden-Nepal Union Meeting on 1 st of May 2004 in Stockholm . The Union very kindly provided HeNN, 2000 SEK (around Rs. 20,000.00) towards Mugu Health post. The presentation held among 220 union members and other guests gave way to the link of HeNN to be included in the Sweden-Nepal Union's website. The link will certainly help Nepalis living in Sweden to be part of HeNN.

Revisiting old Projects

Dolpa Library runs well: needs more backing

If you recall, HeNN helped built and stock the library in Saraswati High School in Dunai, Dolpa in 2000. The Principal through a letter to HeNN-Nepal reports that the library in Dolpa is running well. The Principal also added that they would appreciate more textbooks as the curriculum has changed in the intervening time. The project is a great example for HeNN. The project totaled Rs 374,500 and this was made up by contributions from HeNN, local government, publishing houses and airlines. This pooling together of different groups who want to help is what HeNN will continue to build on in the future. **Network News**

US team welcome new members

The network is pleased to welcome new members into the Executive team in HeNN-US. Since the time of its inception, the activities of US members have always been very cooperative in achieving our objectives. We hope that the growth of our network in the US will encourage global Nepalis to enhance our determination for the improvement of health and education of Nepal . You can find more information of HeNN US in the following site- http://www.helpnepal.net/henn_USA.htm

Engaging scholars in Nepal

Meanwhile our Nepal Team despite being busy with other projects interacted with twenty scholars at the popular "Immersion Course ." An organization called Social Science Baha (run under Himal Media) conducts the course and it aims to build up the social, cultural, political and economic perspectives of scholars in Nepal . During the interaction program, Nepal Team presented HeNNs objectives, activities and challenges. The scholars focused on the criteria of project selection and evaluation. We will build on such activities to draw attention in Nepal to health and education in the remoter parts.

HeNN in Canada

Some enthusiastic Nepalis have opened a HeNN chapter in Canada. Thanks to the efforts of Gokul Bhandari, Nima Sherpa McElhinney and Navin Dhakal, who also instrumental in starting HeNN-Italy when he was there. You can find more information of the HeNN Canada team on the following link: HeNN Canada.

HeNN in the news		
	An article in the Nepali Times by Rabindra Mishra drew positive response from places as far apart as France, Malaysia, USA, UK and the Philippines. People want to help and we will try and involve more people in this effort. Our goal of concentrating simply in health and education resonates with many people.	
HeNN DAY - July 2004		
	Following on from our success last July, we are planning to organise the 'HELP NEPAL International Fund Raising Day' in different parts of the world during the last 2 weeks of July. The events in London will be held on the 19th of July in Ealing Town Hall and 26th of July in Woolwich Town Hall. Please come and join us and also encourage your friends and families to the same. We will have more details of the programmes on our website soon and will email you all closer to the date.	
Conclusion		

I hope you have found this information useful. We would welcome your feedback regarding this bulletin or any other points regarding HeNN and it's activities. If you have any suggestions please feel free to email us – <u>admin@helpnepal.net</u>.

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