

CORRESPONDENCE
between
CHHUMBU PRIMARY SCHOOL
and
HIMALAYAN PROJECT, DENMARK

2'nd Dec. 2000 (by letter Jangbu for KL)

Dear Papa, Namaste

I hope Papa have nice back at home after trekking. And hope the Good smiling you and all your family.

I was Salleri for our salary and send expenses report and others, but fax machine is not working, so I will send after three months. I have met with Dachhiring in Ktm on Nov. 5. I have told him all matters about school but he said me "I will talk with Papa and Ktm. Rotary". Maybe you have meet him and something happence there. He is saying I will come after a month in Chhimbu.

Our School expense is as following:

Total bank balanced		95.000 Rs
Teacher Jangbu Salary (6 months x 4.800)	=	28.800 Rs
festival alloance (1 x 4.800)	=	4.800 Rs
Teacher Bhimsen (5 months x 4.100)	=	20.500 Rs
festival alloance (1 x 4.100)	=	4.100 Rs
Office stationary expense	=	<u>2.000 Rs</u>
Total	=	60.200 Rs
Now rest bank balance is	=	34.800 Rs

Ang Gelbu says about school land he wants to wait for son Dawa then after I do it. We will try more. Papa please let me know whats about school uniform as soon as possible.

All best wishes and regards.

Jangbu Sherpa

18. December 2000 (by E-mail for Kaji from KL)

Dear Kaji!

I had a letter from Jangbu in Chhumbu. He is confused about the school uniforms. If you have a chance to contact him, please tell him that we already decided about it.

The villagers shall buy the fabrics and other materials - and they shall take meassures of all children - and then they shall deliver the whole for Ang Phuti in Junbesi.

Then they will sew it, and deliver it back for Chhumbu - and Rotary will pay the salary for sewing.

You can print a copy of our contract:



School Uniform.doc

Many greetings from Mummy.

Yours Papa Kurt!

old students? When will you send please do write me.

4)Regarding books:

In this new session we will start class 3 also so for all these 1 to 3 classes. From this year may be Nepali books will provide us the Solukhumbu District office of education. If it they provide us it will not necessary for nepali books but for english books of science, math and english books will need for them.

This much for today.

Waiting for your soon reply

Dachhiri Sherpa

17. January 2001 (by E-mail from KL for Dawa)

Dear Dawa!

Thank you for your informations and welcome back. Already this evening I have informed Rotary about your mail - and they asked me to specify the points:

1) Partition and ceiling: As we decided at our meeting in KTM with Subedi, you shall give the meassures of the inside of the roof and the remaining partition to Subedi, so he can calculate a budget for the remaining materials to be bought. When I receive this budget I will ask Rotary for the money. I hope they will accept this expense. If they accept we will send it immediately. I am happy to know that the villagers are willing to do the work volunterely. I would like very much if you could inform me more about your meetings with the villagers.

2) Volunteer teachers: I am still mailing with the two young people, who are in India right now, about Chhumbu. But the last mail from them told me that they are afraid of the maoists, so the might not feel safe to go to Chhumbu. I have asked them to contact Subedi to talk to him about the issue.

3) School Uniform: Personally I like the Tetung-style very much for Gents and for Females. But the style of the uniform are for the Managing Committee to decide. Again I will emphasize that Rotary have accepted that the Managing Committee must buy the materials and bring it to Junbesi with the meassures. Then the woman-group there (Ang Phuti Lama) will do the sewing, and Rotary will pay them the salary of 150 Rs each uniform. And we accept to pay salary for sewing of two sets of uniforms each year for all the students. So make the committee to do their part, and then we will do ours afterwards, according to the contract already written.

4) New session: For the new session starting from Juli 2001, Rotary will supply all necessary books for the students. We expect DEO to supply the standard nepali books. But then we need DEO to register the school first - and for that we need among other things the have registered the land at Napi Office. You could also ask Himalayan Trust about supplying our school with some educational materials. I already had a meeting with them in KTM where we did some talkings about this subject.

5) Land Paper: Jangbu promissed me to bring an officer from Napi Office for Chhumbu to write the papers. Is this done already? If it isn't done you must see to that they do immediately. Rotary is very aware of this point, so please hurry.

Good luck Dawa. I hope to hear good news from you very soon.

Yours Papa Kurt!

21. January 2001 (by E-mail from Bishnu for KL)

15-02-01 01:28 fax: 009773820186 BISAL BANDANA TELECO (from Jangbu for KL)

Papa Kurt Lomborg
FAX-0045-97545355
dk

Jangbu Sherpa
Chhimbu Primary School
15. Feb 2001

Respect Papa, Namaste

I had your email from Kazi already. I'm very happy. School uniform will manage by own parents and comitee will deliver to Junbesi, once a year only. Comitee can not manage by donation the uniform. The maosm made difficult for donation. I will write the number of students coming end of June or 1st week of July 001. Committee had discussed with Dawa about School Building and land. He said that "I had already discussed with Papa in KTM. I will send Plywood for cealing, cement for toilet and water tap, comitee must do social work to finish" and "land for school we really give to school it takes time because we have our personal work as same that and we call to people from district and solve the problem" he said.

I'm very Papa I couldn't take time for training because I had took time for my house repair in winter. We had closed school 1st Jan 2001 to 1st Feb, now is oppening. My training expence is in bank. I go to training next time. Now budget for school is ok.

Expense of buddget is following:

1. Salary for Jangbu 15. June 2000 - 15. feb. 2001	=	43.200 Rs	
2. Salary for Bhimsen 15. July -	=	32.800 Rs	includ festival allounce
3. Office expense	=	2.000 Rs	
4. Students stationary	=	<u>6.000 Rs</u>	
Total expense	=	84.000 Rs	
Rest in bank	=	11.000 Rs	

All the best wishes with long live, peaceful days and God smile on you from our new year (losar) of snake.

Your regard: Jangbu Sherpa

8. Marts 2001

For Jangbu Sherpa! (from KL)

Tashi Delek Jangbu. Thank you for the fax.

- a) Rotary wants to have the Landpaper NOW. I have tried to explain them that it is not so much important. But Rotary doesn't care. They say that if the landpaper doesn't come right now, we will stop sending any more money. I have persuaded Rotary to send money for plywood and cement, and also for teacher's salary until May. But after that there will come no more money before we have a copy of the Landpaper here at my place. This is really serious, so please hurry on and don't hesitate to go for Napi Office and bring the officer immediately. Eventually Kaji can help you.
- b) In your fax you wrote some account for the period 15/6 until 15/2. For the salaries it is OK, but the rest isn't detailed enough. "Office Stationary expense" and "Students Stationay" is not enough. You must describe in details what you did buy. If I were there I could see the bills, but now we are in Denmark, we can't see what you are buying and what you are doing.

- f) Tell Kaji about the negotiations in School Building Committee while Dawa was there. Give Kaji all details, so he can mail them for me when he come back to KTM.
- g) Tell Kaji about what happened when M was at the school. What did they ask for, and what did they declare.

Maybe you feel that this sounds a little angry. And really it is a little. But believe me, that it is the same anger which a father show when his beloved son is not doing good enough although he try to do his best. I can tell you that I have the same kind of anger from the Rotary Club. They also think that I am not doing my work well enough. I like you work Jangbu, and I like the nice way in which you are a teacher, but I am not satisfied with the way you are a principal. Maybe you are doing much more than you write about for me. But how can I know when you are not writing it? Do some more principal work, and write me some more about it.

Within 2 weeks Rotary will send money for the bank account in Salleri. It is now finally decided yet how much. But I think it will be only 21.000 Rs. Including the 9.000 Rs available on the account it will be 30.000 Rs. This is enough for you and Bimsen salary for 3 months and for Napi officer 3.000 Rs.

So please send me Landpaper and Budget for the period until 15/8.

May the Gods help you on your way.

Your Papa Kurt!

24. May 2001 (fra Jangbu Sherpa til KL)

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Respectfully Papa.

Tashi Dele from Chhimbu Primary School, and Tashi Dele to Mummy and all the Rotary Group.

I received your E-mail from Kazi. Thank you very much Papa. I knew much idea by your E-mail. We are very happy. I want to do better work on Chhimbu School of my skill and possible.

- a) Dear Papa you have written about school landpaper immediately. We are here also made a problem for us. Dawa's parents telling when Dawa comes home then we will give to school land. But when Dawa was at home Dawa said we have more work to do by officer our personally too. So we call after few months. But still he is not in home so it is very late for school landpaper really.
- b) Dawa have not done any rest of construction work for school. When he was here he said "I will send the all the construction materials from KTM, and construction work is every villager must to do". All have agreed that, and that material should have send on march to april 2001 here in school. But still we have not any news and material. He said that word in Jan. 2001. He have took with him the duplicate of Meeting Papers.
- c) Dear Papa I need to make my knowlwdge upgrade really for Chhimbu School, but what can I do Papa. the poor boy have comes a lot of problems. Next time I will join with Himalayan Trust teacher training.
- d) We have decided about children visit last month for a day and we have visited Chhimbu-Sete-Sagar Bhakanje School. But our School Camera have did not work. What's was wrong we didn't knew.
- e) I have aplyed a aplication to meeting of VDC.Bhakanje. The Commeeety have agreed one teacher for a year 2001-2002 (one academic year).
- f) I have aplyed aplication to DEO Salleri for Compulsory Nepali and Mathematics courses for children. It will be free boks from Government. It is 76% possible. But we need to give some transportation wages, may 200-300 Rs.
- g) I have brought Permission of Ungrade class two and three from DEO Salleri

A. This is for Non read and write - children.							
S.N	Name of books	Total Need Books	Some stoks in school	More need books quantity	Rate of book according of	Total Rs.	Remarks
1	my best Alphabet	8	-	8	25	200	
2	Nepali pada lekha ra Ranga Bhara	8	2	6	30	180	
3	Read and write number 1-100	8	-	8	25	200	
4	Capital letter for colouring and writin	8	3	5	50	250	
B. This is for class (Grade) one - children							
1	Basic mathematics Primar (A)	18	13	5	50	250	
2	learning with words for colouring and writing	18	12	6	20	120	
3	Naya Nepali Varnamala	18	13	5	20	100	
C. This is for gade - Two childrens							
1	Headway English Primar	23	5	18	55	990	
2	Headway english Primar (A)	23	-	23	65	1495	This price will be little up or down maybe
3	Saral Nepali Sringkhala - 2	23	-	23	50	1150	- -
4	Basic mathematics 1.	23	-	23	65	1495	--
D. This is for grade three children							
1	Headway english - 2	14	-	14	75	1050	- -
2	Saral Nepali sringkhala - 2	14	-	14	65	910	- -
3	Basic Mathematics	14	-	14	75	1050	- -
4	Science	14	-	14	60	840	- -

Books Prices are according of KTM Price. Books of class two and three will be little up or down maybe. Class one and for non read and write class books are real.

(sign.) Jangbu Sherpa - Chhimbu Primary School - Bhakanje-8

(This Prices are according Here)

A) OFFICE STATIONARIES FOR 2001-2002

1. Students attendance Register 3 = 150 Rs
2. Duster 3x2 Pices = 240 Rs
3. Chalk 15 Pkts = 1000 Rs
4. Some chart for Children (like ABC or 123) = 600 Rs

This is expenses of 15 Feb. - 15 Aug. 2001**Page 2**

We have spent 6000 Rs + 2000 Rs. Budget are following topics.

A) Office Stationary Expenses

1. Plane paper 5 Dozens =	150 Rs
2. A clock for Office	500 Rs
3. Donation Slipten book	500 Rs
4. 2 minutes faxed	400 Rs
5. changed a padluck broken one -	60 Rs
6. A Dozen Pens	100 Rs
7. A Photo Frame	150 Rs
8. envelopes 50 pieces	100 Rs
9. Tickets for 2 letters	80 Rs
10. 2 pairs Camera battries	<u>80 Rs</u>
Total Rs - - -	2120 Rs

B) students stationary expenses.

1. class one: children Per one 2 Pieces exercise book, for 24 childrens and grade 2 Per children 3 pieces Per month for 15 childre = in average 48 doz. =	4800 Rs
2. Pencils are enough because when Rotary Group have gave till august 15.	
3. we have short visit Chhimbu-Sete-Sagar For a day expenses Rs.	= 400 Rs
4. A Chessboar -	<u>100 Rs</u>
Total Rs. -	5300 Rs

Rest amount **R 580** is with Jangbu Sherpa still. We have mor exercises books for till 15 august 2001.

But our academic year have changed recently. Government have done same as New Year of Nepal. So we need the children books her as soon as possible, Please.

a) we have spent on teachers salary like a following - Budget.**Page 2**

1. Jangbu Sherpa Salary 17. June 2000 - 15 th February 2001	
8 months Sallary x 4100 Rs =	32800 Rs
Festival allawnce.	4100 Rs
Principal allawnce	<u>6300 Rs</u>
Total Rs.	43200 Rs
2. Bhimsen Basnet. 15. July 2000 - 15 February 2001	
7 months salary x 4100 Rs =	28700 Rs
festival allawnce =	<u>4100 Rs</u>
Total = Rs	32800 Rs
Jangbu Sherpa + Bhimsen Basnet =	76000 Rs

b) Now we needs on Sallary of following

1. Jangbu Sherpa 15 Feb 2001 - 15 August	28800 Rs
2. Bhimsen Basnet “ ” “	<u>24600 Rs</u>
Total Rs	53400 Rs

I gave the Papa's letter for DEO Officer already and M.P. K.C. from Bhimsen.
I hope Papa, Mama and others all the best wishes.
Sincerely Jangbu Sherpa, Chhimbu

15. Aug 2001

Salleri

Dear Respect Papa and Mama.

Tashi Dele from Chhimbu. Still school budget is not in school account in Salleri. What was problem we doesn't know.

We have sent school uniform to Junbesi Silaibhunai Centre already.

I have brought books from DEO Salleri. The books are Nepali and Mathematics. That is free from government. We need to pay only transportation. So now we need only english books for children.

Our school ceiling, water tap and toilet is almost finished here. The construction work is all done by villager parents for socialwork.

I hope the school landpaper is already arrived there. This year we have only 45 children in school. Fax is very expensive because per minute 200 Rs. So I have sent this letter. I am waiting for your loving letter soon-

Your regard Jangbu Sherpa

Both letters arrived simultaneously in DK at 27 August 2001

28. September 2001

Dear Dr. Kurt,

Thank you for the mail and sorry that I could not be able to reply you soon. The money that you have sent has been disappearing at this moment. It will surely not spilled that way in vain it will be find . But the way we have been sending money has been proved to be not the good way. Nowonwards either send a draft to the Rotary Club or try to make Telex Transfer .

Regarding your new problem I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THE FOLLOWING:

1. YES THEY ARE MAKING LOCAL PARALLEL AUTHORITY EVERYWHERE IN THE VILLAGES THAT IS GOING TO MAKE NO DIFFERENCE TO YOU AS VISITORS
2. THEY WILL DEFINITELY BE IN CONTACTS TO YOU DURING THE TIME OF YOUR STAY AND TRY TO ASK THE WHOLE PROJECT STRUCTURE, FINANCING, AND OTHER PLANS AND PROGRAMS. THAT IS ALSO NOT A BIG DEAL.
3. THEY MIGHT ASK FOR SOME FUNDING FOR THEIR MISSION IN NEPAL. IN THIS CASE YOU HAVE TO BE CAUTIOUS, DON'T MAKE FALSE PROMISE, DONT ASSURE THEM A LOT, DON'T EVEN REACT WITH THEIR PLANS AND PROGRAMS. IF YOU LIKE DO SOMETHING FROM YOUR PERSONAL LEVEL.
4. NORMALLY THEY DO NOT TRY TO TOUCH THE FOREIGNERS SO DON'T BE AFRAID THINKING ALL NON SENSE.

Rest I will tell you when you will be in town. I don't know where are you staying in Kathmandu. If you have not finalise as yet I would like to invite you to stay in our Rotorian's Hotel called HOTEL GAUTAM, JYATHA KANTIPATH as our guest. It is a small hotel with all the facilities in a central location.

Thank you

Yours Bishnu

11. Nov. 2001

Respect Papa Namaste
And .. Mumv Namaste

They are probably robbed.

And what about the bank's account books? Have they also disappeared?

Is there any way we can have the money back on the schools account?

You should go for Salleri to investigate about it. And on the way you should go for Upper Solu Development Committee in Junbesi (Ongdi Lama, Master Kaji) to ask them to help you.

And also have a talk to Pemba Gyelo and Ang Ngima. And in Salleri you should visit the Manager of Bank and DDO and all others who could be involved.

Fortunately KTM Rotary Club hasn't transferred the next amount yet. So still approximately 110,000 Rs is with Rotary in KTM. When you need the money again you should go for KTM Rotary Club and talk to Mr. Bishnu Subedi. He should be able to give you the rest amount from 2,500 US\$ minus the 75,000 Rs which you have already received from me.

In future we will probably have to transfer the money for KTM Rotary Club only. It looks too risky to transfer it for Salleri. So until it is more safe there, you will have to go for KTM every time you need money.

About the budget. It looks like we have to postpone the building of stonefloor in office and the widening of the road up to the school. We will have to decide in our committee here in Denmark what to do about the budget, before you can start this project. But the important things for running the school, like salaries, stationaries and books, you will have to keep on.

Also about schooluniforms we have to keep on as decided by contract. I am here sending you a copy of the contract with Beni Women Group. You might already have received a copy, but here it is anyway. Keep it in the record book to use it in the spring before the women group arrive at Chhumbu.

About tree-nursery we will also wait to decide about it. Next time I come there we will have a talk. The land on the way to the toilet is so nice for the purpose. But if Ang Gelbu will not be reasonable, I will consider about your idea about some other land. But for now our budget will not be for such things.

We in Skivehus Rotary Klub are very sorry about this incidents and we know you are too. We will be looking very much forward seeing a report from you about the bank matter.

Try to keep your spirit high. We will try here too.

Yours Papa Kurt!

17. December 2001

Dear Kurt,

So far my information says that the money for Chhumbu School which was sent by the Bank is totally safe because the Bank has the records of this and they are bound to pay no matter whatever had happened in the bank. And the money with us is with us safe and will be used as you say.

Thanks and best regards

Bishnu subedi

20. February 2002

Dear Dr. Kurt,

You might be wondering that what might have happened with the money in the Salleri Bank. 2 weeks before Mr. Bhimsen Basnet came to the club asking for the Identity Card of Himself and Jangmu. I told him to send the Headmaster to the Salleri bank and draw the money enough to pay the salary till Jan. 2002 and report us about the balance in the bank. He has promised us to send the report by telephone as and when they go to the bank.

The money in the Club is lying idle as yet and will be transferred or handed over only after you tell us to do so.

I hope every other thing is O.K. with you and your family. Can you tell me what happened to the request I made about a girl

We have decided about the school Uniform already. All the parents buys the things and send to Junbesi. But Ang Puti is in Kathmandu now.

Dear papa, the government quota for school is very limit in a year. So we will see the quota for your school, telling the officer and others. Because when I'm in solu, talking about that.

I'm very sorry papa, because I couldn't send the school budget and the account before a month. We are looking for your lovely and advicing letter soon. Please send me email reply of this letter in given above address.

All the best wishes with many greetings from Chimbu School. I am sending you by fax the budget and account from 15 August 2001 to 15th November 2001 of our school.

Your regards, Jangbu Sherpa

PS. The Himalayan trust teacher training is still have not fixed.

13. Marts 2002

Dear Jangbu!

I am very happy to receive your Account + Budget + Report. How long time will you be in Kathmandu? On which date will you leave for Chhimbu? Of course I have some questions for you, which is not clear enough to me from your 3 reports.

1) You write that the bank in Salleri is still destroyed. But I also can see that you have withdrawn on 15/2 43.660 Rs, and also you have received 707 Rs as an interest. Does this mean, that the bank is destroyed, but the bank account is alive and healthy? Is it safe to send money for Salleri Bank right now?

2) In your account in Bank column you write: A) the balance in beginning is 57.548 Rs - B) You withdraw 43.660 Rs - C) Interest 707 Rs - D) "Befor in Bank balance" 8.235 Rs - ABC is OK but I don't understand D) - please explain me?

3) I am missing the Curriculum. You should write me a plan for the education for the next year. I am confused that you tell in your report that the children is now leaving for 4. class somewhere else. I had the clear impression that this is a Primary School 1-5. class - but now you are changing for Preprimary level. From the very beginning we had a talk (specially with Dawa I admit) that roughly one teacher should run class 1-2 in one room, and class 3-4 by another teacher in second room and one teacher the 5. class in the last room. Are you changing this idea now? It will definitely be a new situation for the donors. I am afraid that they will react on that. You must explain me about this?

4) I am so sorry about the uniforms, that it looks like we will again have problems in their seewing. No one knows when the women will return for Junbesi. What about the fields here in spring. If Ang Phuti is not there, you can also ask Ang Kanchi or Mrs. Lhakpa (the helper at Ang Phutis hotel). I don't know what to do about it. We must wait to see what the future brings. I will now go for work. When I come home I will look through the account and budget very carefully, to see if there is more questions for you. I am looking forward to see your reply on this mail.

Yours Papa Kurt!

13. Marts 2002

Hello again Jangbu!

Now I have been looking carefully at the account.

Please still reply on the 4 questions which I did send earlier today.

Ad q.2) I did write 8.235 Rs - now I can see it is 9.235 Rs - but still I don't understand the amount.

5) Comment on available on bank account. You write 23.830 is available - but what about the account balance amount on 2.000 Rs - it isn't available, is it? Then it should be 21.830 available.

6) On the Budget: **Pemba salary**: we did agree in giving him a rise in salary until 15. Marts 2002 - this is 4 months 11. November 2001 till 15. Marts 2002 - but you give him 9 months extra salarv.

I have tried to send a fax for you through the communication center evecom@mos.com.np but it does not receive it. Try to ask them how to do it, and I will send it.

I am looking very much forward seeing you reply on my mails.

All in all I think your work with account and budget is fine. Probably the problems for me to understand the above mentioned points, is that You or I have misunderstood something about it, and this communication is only to solve the problems, so they will not occur in the future. Some day we will both be very experienced, and everything will be smooth and fine.

Yours Papa Kurt!

14. Marts 2002

Respected papa,

Namaste to you and Mama too. I have got your email in this morning here in Kathmandu. The phone number is my sisters near the boudha nath. Thank you very much for giving me advice about account and budget.

1. The Rs. 9,235/- account in bank is include the interest of the amount before you were here.
2. The amount of bank account is exact Rs. 23,830/-
3. I am very sorry on account No. 7 is bill No. not months. and I did the wrong about the date also. Because the date should be 15 Aug. 2001 to 15 Nov. 2001 and festival allaince because I wrote the 15/8/2001 to 15/11/2002. It is very wrong.
4. Pemba's raised sallary I gave him Rs. 1,600/- per month of only for four months. The VDC gives only 2,500/- Rs. per month. Pemba's salary by VDC is gives direct pays VDC so I couldn't include in the account.
5. The side wall of play ground is new of in front of school yard. The wall will be 1 and half feet wide, 2 feet will be hight and 26 m. will be long. Dear papa you can see here after.
6. The toilet is not new. They have not finished the construction of work of toilet. This work is only few.

I am leaving Kathmandu for home and school tomorrow. Thank you very much and all the best wishe.

With Best regards,

Jangbu Sherpa

13. Marts 2002

Hello again Jangbu!

I hope you still have the time to see this mail. I will try to call you by telephone in this evening.

I still don't understand a lot of the ansvers - you are not replying completely on my ansvers - but OK - I know it is difficult to have someone at a Internetcafe to write such a long E-mail.

I will take it up at our Rotary Committee meeting to decide how much work you should do now for Rotary money.

But the most important issue we has to discuss very sharply in the future: how to change a Primary school for a Preprimary school. It definitely is not the idea from our side. I hope you can explain it some day.

But anyway - I have already send a mail to Mr. Bishnu Subedi asking him to give you all the money on the Rotary-account. It should be 110.000-113.000 Rs.

Please call him on his mobile phone on 98 102 41 03 or on his E-mail talisman@wlink.com.np

I hope you can manage before you leave for home.

I think we don't like to send the money for Salleri right now, as the situation there is unclear.

Many greetings from Mummy.

And give all our best wishes for your wife and children, Bimsen, Pemba, Gelbu, Rinji, all the villagers and for all the children at the school.

- If you want to continue as a preprimary school with 40 students and 3 teachers, we must conclude that this school-project was a mistake. Not even in Denmark there is so small classes for so many teachers.

So as a conclusion we must ask you to start the 4. Class this year in Chhimbu and the 5. Class next year.

- We know there is difficulties doing this. But as teachers supported by us, you will have to find a way to do it.
- We know that this means extra work in comparison with the small classes now, but this is what we are paying the teachers salary for, educating 25-30 students.
- We know that this means less efficient education for each class, but you will have to find a way to do this as efficient as possible and efficient enough.
- We know that we have only offered the teachers salary a little higher than government quota, and now we ask you to do more work for the same salary. But this is how it will be.
- You must remember that a lot of people here in Denmark, by their good hearts, are paying each an amount of their private earnings, to support the children of Chhimbu, your salary, the education and the school. If those people feel exploited in comparison to their expectations, they will loose their good heart, and we will loose their support and the money will not continue to come. Nothing here is automatic.

I am very satisfied with your **Account and Budget**. It is very fine and sufficient working-papers. Please go on working in this way according to our Scedule and Transaction. Some minor mistakes and details will be corrected in the future time by time.

I am *not* satisfied with the **Report**. You should keep in mind that we are so anxious here in Denmark to hear all what have happened since the last report.

- We want detailed description about our bank in Salleri in every report.
- Any contact with the maoists should be written in the report. You can write “confidential” if you want us not to talk too open about it.
- What have happened with the education since the last report?
- What have happened with the school since the last report - any repair - any disrepair - any newbuilt?
- Which activities have School Managing Committee been involved in since last report?
- How are the teachers doing? Are they working every day or have they had some days off?
- Is all the children attending school?
- How many are not attending regularly?
- How many students were examined?
- How many did pass?
- How many has to take one more year in same level?
- Is there any new students?
- Has any student left the school?
- And a lot of other small and big informations which could be important to us. Remember that you has to keep all your/our donors good hearts warm. Not by telling only the good stories, but to be honest and telling everything which happens.

And the **Curriculum** is completely absent. Only the one sentence telling about changing for preprimary level is a kind of curriculum. You has to create a curriculum for the academic year 2002-2003 and send it for me as soon as possible. This curriculum shall be made by the Headmaster. But it has to be created in full cooperation with the teachers of the school. And during the course of creating the curriculum, it has to be approved by the School Managing Committee. It must contain:

- An Educational Plan for the School as a whole and the academic year as a whole.
- An Educational Plan for each Class mentioning subject, educational materials, educational level and so on.

There is some disrepair in the toilet-building and in the wall below the playground.

I think you should make this repair as soon as possible. But I also think you should be careful asking Rotary to pay for it.

You must remember, that it is our impression, that we have already been cheated quite a lot with those two things.

We have already paid for a toilet-building completely with two pits. What we really received was a building with only one pit and not completely finished roof. I think you should keep this in mind and do the repair yourself.

And at the wall we paid for a lot of stones, but I have calculated, that a lot of stones was missing, and that we didn't get the quality of wall which we did pay for. So also here I think you should be careful asking for more. The village should make this repair by itself.

I know it is difficult to create extra money from Donationslip, now when the tourists are more or less absent. But you should try anyway. The School Managing Committee should be active asking for donations, and by this donations the two repairs at toilet and wall could be done.

Don't let the village give us the impression, that they are lazy because they can just ask us for more money. Why should they work themselves when we are paying. Be careful, because some day we will stop paying. If the village is not giving any contribution, why should we do it. The villagers don't even need to give economic contributions. Just a little work, doing the repair themselves or trying to raise money from people passing by.

But I think you should hurry on widening the road, and putting stonefloor in the office as I have already given my permission to do it.

I think we shall from Danish side wait starting the tree nursery. If you want to start it yourself from local donations and local contributions and work, then it is very fine with me. But right now we Danish will not put any money in the project. We want to see everything run smoothly before making new investments.

We need to find a faster and cheaper way to communicate, and we need to do it at the correct dates according to "Schedule and Transaction". You can send the mentioned papers with some reliable person passing by, asking him to deliver the papers for Mr. Kedar Bantawa, Pacific Travel, Gairidhara, Kathmandu - GPO Box 6138. Then he can send it for me very fast. I think that I can have the papers within a week in this way.

Which way will you recommend being the fastest from Denmark to Chhimbu?

I am now looking very much forward seeing your full and complete answers on this letter. Specially I am expecting to see a full and comprehensive Curriculum. I know it is difficult to write all this in English, but you has to do it. Usually I understand all what you write. But it is very difficult for me to understand what you do not write.

Dear School Managing Committee. You must start being active now. If you want to keep you school, then you must start getting involved in the work of the school.

Dear Jangbu, Bhimsen and Pemba. I expect professional and devoted work from you. Both in your daily work with the children, and also in your work every 3 months with me.

If you all are doing your best, then I will promise also to do it as good as you are doing it.

21. Marts 2002

Dear Bishnu!

Unfortunately Headmaster Jangbu contacted me in the end of his stay in KTM, so he did leave for home before I had the chance to react.

He left almost at the same time as you received the mail from me last week. But the school need the money so we has to do something. Jangbu claimed in a mail in insufficient english - and later in a telephone-talk with bad connection - that Salleri Bank again is functioning perfect with no problems at all. He claimed that all our money on the account is recovered.

Kathmandu without money. But what we told him that he should take out money from the Bank which he said not enough for the salary upto Month of march. We don't know the account. If you want us to be in picture I think we should also know what expenditure they are making for the salary and for other miscellaneous items.

So far money transferring is concern, we can do this through the Rastriya Banijya Bank easily but we have to re check like in the last time to ensure that it is not in limbo. Please instruct our Club via e-mail rotary@wlink.com.np and I will make sure that the money is transferred.

Life is not that easy for us these days but there is no much problem for us in Kathmandu. In the village the life is very difficult in most of Nepal Mountains.

Thanks and best regards
yours Bishnu

11. April 2002

Dear Bishnu!

About the money-transfer for Chhumbu. At our committee-meeting, we decided following:

1) We have approved the account and the budget of the school. And Salleri Bank seems to work again. Therefore we wish you to transfer the remaining amount, which are in the custody of KTM-RC, which should be around 110-115.000 Rs, for the bank in Salleri. We will give you the free hands to transfer it the way you find the safest and most appropriate.

2) In your last mail, you mentioned that you and your club wants more insight in the economy of Chhumbu School. And also that you would like to take the responsibilities of transfer. Our committee decided trying this way to do it. How would you suggest this to be done? What do you want us to do?

I will here append Budget/Account sceme which is produced by me according to informations received from Chhumbu.

I hope you can open Excel-datasheets!!!!

If you can't open it, please telle me, and I will find another way.

Yours Kurt!

16. April 2002

Papa,

I get your mail and I am very happy. I went Rotary club with school letter for salary suggests by Jangboo. I thought to bring 60,000 but staff of Rotary club is suggesting me to take all money if staff will be change you have problem. When staff will change you need to stay long time. So I took all money. I leave Kathmandu tomorrow. Lastly I wish you happy, prosperity and long life to you and your family for the occasion of NEW YEAR 2059.

Bhimsen

6. June 2002

Namste to my Dear

PAPA KURT

We wish that mama and all well over there. Here we , our school and all of our family are fine .

For our school i have been to solu 2 times i have managed a govrenment teacher quata for a teacher . Even though we have find quata but teacher had not arrived till now. The D.E.O. has said it will take 3 to 4 months to arrive teacher because they have to combine all the school of districts

DEO office hasn not guve us permission to up grade classes so we have planned this year to run class upto 4 class

6. June 2002

Dear Jangbu and Pemba!

Thank you so much for your fax and mail.

This is the best report I have received ever from Chhimbu. It is so informative and it explains everything. After this we don't have to worry so much. And Jangbu, I am so proud of you that you have managed to have government quota. Good work!!!!

I am only sorry that it isn't Pemba who is the government teacher. Is it really not possible to make him take this quota? I already like him very much even though I have never met him.

Also I am very satisfied with the account. All expenses are inside the budget, so until now it is perfect!!!!

Of course Pemba has to have the agreed salary until 15. April. We already did put it into the budget, which we from our side accepted to fill in, so definitely he has to have it.

I have forwarded your mail to our committee, and I am waiting for their reply until tomorrow. Then I will mail you more proposals and decisions from our side ASAP.

It is so difficult for us to understand what happens when we have NO or very FEW informations. But now I feel so much informed and comforted. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

See you tomorrow.

Yours Papa Kurt!

8. June 2002

Dear Jangbu & Pemba!

Please receive the greatest compliment from our committee.

All the members are very happy that you, Jangbu, succeeded to have a quota for a teacher. This will support the way we can help in the economy of your school in the future. It also show us that the DEO and the Government really do support private enterprise like ours. When you just do something it will sometimes fail, but in our case we are going to win now. Looks to me like a small tree in a nursery, treated so well with water and nutrition, and now it is going to grow rapidly with new branches and a lot of leaves. Let us keep on taking good care of this tree so we one day can see the flowers. Maybe one day the managing committee will be employed as gardeners.

We know about the managing committee's capabilities. Anyway it sounds nice that they have started the final work on the enormous roof of the toilet. And also that they understood my hints about the schoolyard wall. Tell them that I am very happy about that point too, and that I am sending my thoughts to their work. Give them my great Namaste!!!

And our committee is so relieved that the misunderstandings about the school level is now explained. We would have been happy to know about this explanations long before. Then we didn't need to worry. Of course you need to have permission from DEO before you can upgrade. Sorry that we didn't think about that fact. Please go to DEO and tell them that we will continue to be the parents of Chhimbu Primary School, Rotary or Himalayan Project or someone else. But probably you will have to run class 1-5 with 3 classrooms and 3 teachers for some years ahead. Extension in this matter will be considered in future, depending how the school is run for some years, and depending how the economy of the school will change, and also depending on our success to support the school.

About Pemba the committee has agreed fully, that of course Pemba shall have his salary for the period of employment. And we will say thank you very much Pemba to be one of the staff of Chhimbu School.

But what about Pemba's future? It is for you Jangbu to decide, as the schoolmaster. You can let Pemba go now - or you can employ him until the Government teacher arrives - or you can employ him until I arrives in the autumn - or you can try to make him the government teacher. As long as you keep the school's economy and the work described inside the budget 15.02.02-15.08.02 (which we have accepted) you will have no arguments from our side. Remember that you shall send me a new budget before 15. august for

education office has authorized for one quota for teacher for school. For this I went to solu by thrice. There is already quota for a teacher for the school but process takes 3 to 4 months. And there was an examination or to give a permanent job for the teachers, which was held 4 years back, which are also not yet published out by educational commissioner, which still takes 2 to 4 months.

- It was not our fault that the school is running as pre-primary or only 3 level but it is due to the permission from the concerned authority. We, however run it for 4 level from next periodical year having with one teacher from the district education office. It is our compulsion to run 3 level for one year due to permission. Therefore we don't mean that we changed our school as pre-primary from primary.
- We have now 47 students which are as following
- 21 students in level 1
- 11 students in level 2
- 15 students in level 3

There were 13 students until last examination. The 4 students have already been left due to their household work those students were elder age. One student is again repeating in level 3. We are putting the stone in the floor inside of office of the school. We have decided to build the roof of the toilet and down hill of the yard of the school on the basis of co-operation from local villager's free support. Due to the current situation we are facing the problem to communicate with you from here as promptly basis. At the moment we are out of power, telephone etc in our district. It seems frustrating environment around this area.

- His majesty's government the educational office provides free of cost the curriculum books as nepali, mathematics and environment but we have to bear the transportation cost by ourselves. We have to buy some English books and some materials for writing for class one. In the beginning it is very important to teach how to write.
- It is my pleasure to inform you that I participated for Himalayan trust teacher training which was held on 26 may to 31 may, 2002 in solu.
- We have discussed/decided to give summer holiday for 15 days for our students effective from June 30, 2002.
- As you know the chhimbu village and villagers are very poor and very undeveloped so it is difficult to work and to collect any c-operation and help. It is actually problem among the villagers. Despite of the current critical situation of Nepal we are on difficult situation that how to continue our project. Due to some of these reasons we are late to communicate with you on time. We are still out of power, telephone etc in solu.

At last looking forward to hear from you at the earliest for my letter and will back to you again.

With kind regards,

Jangbu Sherpa

(At the end again, accept my cordial greetings to dai (respected brother, for kedar) I would be very very pleased that this letter will reach to Papa Kurt by your kind co-operation this is my humble request and your kind help is appreciated.)

Singed by jangbu sherpa

Name of our school: Chhimbu primary school, bhakanje-8, Solukhumbu, nepal

June 22, 2002

(written in his letter)

Dear Papa Kurt, Namaste !

Thank you very much for your email we are very happy.

- As per your letter you requested us to take care for Pemba Sherpa. We have decided to keep him until you arrive to Chhimbhu school

Dear papa I have kept Pemba Sherpa with me till your arrival. I have made budget for Pemba upto 15th Feb. 2003. Please send your advice quickly for that budget. This year we couldn't run class four because the DEO did not give authority. Sorry for that. We will continue next year. We have a problem for the class room. Can you talk with us for the class room when you arrive here.

This year the government is agreeing to give one teacher for the school but because of some government rules the teacher is not available recently. If it is possible one of us (Pemba, Bhimsen and I) will be select in the government teacher.

Recently we have finished office floor (stone) and school compound wall. We have bought woods for office rack but not made yet. When I return school then I will decide to make rack and toilet as soon as I can.

To make a way (road) and desk, bench will be in winter vacation. It will be easy in the winter because the villagers have planted crops in the field now-a-days.

Junbesi Women Group did not agree to make uniform of children, so we decided to make children uniform in our own school. I think if we make uniform in our own school I think per dress will be less than Rs 200/-. Can we make uniform in our own school ? Please send any suggestion as soon as you can.

The money that you have sent Rs. 57474.39 (Fifty seven thousand four hundred seventy four and thirty nine paisa) has been deposited to Salary School account. The money was deposited before the budget.

This year I came to Kathmandu 3 times. About 30 to 35 percent of my salary was spent on traveling because of the situation of Nepal now-a-days.

This year we closed school for 15 days (15 July - 31st July) for Monsoon holiday.

Papa when is your program to come to Nepal ? Hoping to see you soon.

Lastly, Thank you very much for supporting to run this school.

Sincerely,

Jangbu Sherpa

5. August 2002

Dear Jangbu!

Thank you for your report - it gives a lot of informations for us. Thank you. I am looking very much forward seeing your account for the last period. And the budget for 15.08.02 - 15.02.03 is also expected with interest.

I think you should write Pemba on the budget for the whole period. If you don't need him after some period, it is always better spending less money, than spending more than the budget. We will discuss Pemba's situation very carefully when I arrive.

About DEO's permission for primary level, we will discuss when I arrive. And the same about giving one teacher. We will go together for DEO to discuss those two matters with him. I think it would be a perfect solution for all parties, when one of you 3 will have this government quota-job.

Sounds OK with all the repair-jobs. But you should remember, that the expenses of those jobs already is in the budget. When money in a budget is not used in the budgetted period, it has to be negotiated to continue in a new budget.

I know the women group in Junbesi have had a problem during this uneasy period of trouble. I think you should for this time manufacture the uniforms in Chhumbu by yourself. I will have to negotiate with the Junbesi women when I arrive. But for this time you should try to do it yourself. Then we can see how it goes.

All the rest small things we will discuss when I arrive.

I will arrive at KTM on 12. september - I will come alone.

I will probably come to Chhumbu around 22. september (not precise - so this year you don't need to arrange any arrival party for me) but I hope I can see the education going on (that there isn't Dasain-holiday at that time)

I will stay in Chhumbu for 3-4 days.

And I will also visit Sagar-Bakanje in this period to discuss schoolmatters with them - so please tell Ang Dawa.

6. August 2002

Dear papa Kurt

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Namaste to Rotary and Himalayan Project members too.

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Jangbu Sherpa

7. August 2002

Respected Papa

Namaste

I got the answer of your mail. Many many thanx for that and I am grateful to you for that you ask me for the mistake I made. I am going to answer of your question.

(1)The account which I have send first there was 34500 in school. But the total spending money becomes Rs.47720 so I spent excess money from the account of Sallari bank.I am sorry that I made accounting mistake. But I hope you will understand it when you will come here.

2. Now there is not any money in school but still we have Rs 70694.39 in bank account. I am really very sorry for my accounting mistake.

3. we have just buy the wood for the rack and it is not completed yet so I didn't put the date of office rack payment I am sorry for that.It's issue date is 26th july 2002.

4. I am not thinking to make competetion with beni women group.It is coz of the present situation or what ?I have heard that the uniform is not going to sew from Junbesi so why I just ask you about it.

I come here in kathmandu for two days .I come here in 5th august and mail you. I am going back in Wednesday 8thAugust at 7 am so you shouldnot have to answer of this mail coz I hope that I will get answer of this mail from you when you will come here

06.	Member:	Mr Ang Gelu Sherpa	Bakanje Word # 8
07.	Member:	Mr. Dube Thami	Bakanje Word # 8
08.	Member:	Mr Bimsen Thami	Bakanje Word # 8
09.	Member: Secretary:	Mr Jangbu Sherpa	Bakanje Word # 8

II. The request letter received from Papa Kurt Lomberg to form a new committee will be able to do so only after Dahara & Tihar holiday as per our meeting.

III. We are going to start class IV after Dashara holiday as also suggested by Papa Kurt Lomberg.

IV. Though the His Majesty Government has promised to provide one teacher for the Chhumbu Primary School. It has been postponed due to the election which is going to held soon.

V. The letter has been send to Junbeshi's Women Group to stich the school dress but receive no reply from them. Later Mr. Jangbu Sherpa also been twice to Junbeshi but could not meet the Chairman and informed by Tashi Lhamu Sherpa of sending us the massage only after the arrival of Chairman. But later we are informed that they will not be able to do stich the school dress, because of the absence of all the members. We have prepared everything here in Chhumbu. This time we are able to prepare 22 pairs of school dress which cost Rs. 150 per pair. The total cost is Rs. 3,300/- (Rupees Three thousand three hundred only) which is being paid by Jangbu Sherpa and we are requesting you to send us the same.

VI. The management has decided to keep Mr. Pemba Sherpa as a teacher till the arrival of Papa Kurt in autumn as per the letter send by Papa Kurt on 8th June '2002. But till now we have not received a teacher from district Education Office. Therefore we request Himalayan Project & Rotary Club to provide salary for Mr. Pemba till we get one from the Govt. We hope to receive a salary from the Govt for Mr. Pemba after the election is over.

VII. As you know that we are going to start Classes for grade IV students after Dashara holiday. Like wise from next year secession we also have to start classes for grade V students. For that we have requested His Majesty's Government to provide asistant to built 2 new room which is very necessary. But due to the shortage of the budget with the Government we are unable to get. So we request Himalayan Project & Rotary Club to provide us the same.

VIII. This time we have decided to give 15 days holiday for Dashara & 13 Days for Tihar. But we are going to reduce reduce 15 days from the winter holiday we used to give in Winter. Now students will get only 15 Days holiday in winter though we used to gove one month.

IX. We are very unhappy to know about the rumours from Namgyal Jangbu & Namgyal Phurba that we are not doing our duty well and running school by taking leave turn wise. We have gathered all committee members & other villager people to inform them that the news heard by them is not true.

X. We are able to make one rack, one cupboard and one bench out of the budget (Rupees 6,000/-) provided to make only one rack.

XI. We are also able to make wall at the edge of the school ground and pave the stone inside the class room for the budget (Rupees 8,500/-) allocated to pave stone inside the class room.

XII. After Dashara we are going to start classes for grade 4 students and it is necessary to purchase English book for grade IV students. The number of students will be 8 and Mr. Jangbu while going to Kathmandu will purchase the same.

XIII. The road near the school building will be start from this winter when all the crops is harvested as it will be much easier.

XIV. We are sorry to inform you that we made a mistake for budgetting and accounting for the month of August and request you to ammend it. We applogize for the same.

XV. The land located between school building & school toilet for the tree plantation nursery cost Rs. 55,000/- (Rupees Fifty-five thousand). We are also able to find another land which is below the school building cost Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees fifteen thousand) but is very small and not safety for nursery. For oher option Mr. Jangbu Sherpa has agreed to provide land for nursery without cost if it is usable fbr the same. But it is far away form the school building.

The above 14 point has also been noted by Mr. Namgel Jangbu Sherpa and Namgel Phurba Sherpa and prepared report base on

9) Secretary: Mr. Jangbu Sherpa (Headmaster)

This management committee is formed for two years according to the educational act of Nepal. The previous management committee was formed in presence of Papa Kurt 6.th Sep. 2002.

2. As Mr. Papa Kurt requested to reform the committee, parents and the existing committee have suggested informing the DEO for reforming the committee after Dashain Tihar vacation.
3. The teacher staff meeting has decided to run class 4 after Dashain and Tihar vacation as Papa Kurt requested to run class 4 in this school.
4. Though the DEO has decided to provide a teacher, the teacher is still not present at the school HMG has postponed all the new appointments before the election. So, the decision is not finalized.
5. We have made the school dresses themselves after the failure of Mr. Jangbu Sherpa's several times attempt to meet the Chairperson of the Women group for the uniform. The women group in Junbesi could not reach to the decision about making the uniform because the members could not gather for meeting. It might be because of the unfavourable situation in Junbesi. So that we have made 22 pairs of dresses of Rs. 150 per pair. The total amount Rs. 3300/- for the uniform was paid by Mr. Jangbu Sherpa, the headmaster of the school to the tailor. So the amount is to be paid to Mr. Jangbu Sherpa,
6. According to the letter written to Mr. Pemba Sherpa by Papa Kurt on 8. June 2002, it was decided to keep him as a staff until Papa Kurt comes back in Autumn and also to request Rotary Club, and Himalayan Project for his salary. If it is possible one of the teacher staffs from Chhimbu Primary School would try to have the appointment from DEO.
7. As the school has a plan to run up to grade 5 by next academic session, they have to run class 4 after Dashain and Tihar vacation. So, one more class room is necessary. Since the VDC could not provide budget for this purpose, it was decided to request the Himalayan Project and Rotary Club for amount to make one more room in the school.
8. As usual we have 1 month Dashain and Tihar vacation but only 15 days for winter to maintain the annual working days.
9. A meeting of parents and management committee was held to clarify about the complaint made by Mr. Namgel Jangbu Sherpa and his friend Namgel Phurwa Sherpa about the teacher staffs. The complaint was: when they had visited the school on request of Papa Kurt, they complained that the teachers were working alternatively in the school hours. But it was untrue and the meeting proved that the teachers of this school even would not think about such activities.
10. A rack, a cupboard and a bench necessary in the office has been made with Rs. 6000/-
11. Paving the office room with stone and walling around the school ground has completed with Rs, 8500/- but for roofing the toilet Mr. Jangbu Sherpa provided the necessary wood and remuneration to the workers from the school teacher staffs side because the villagers couldn't gather for that purpose.
12. As the Himalayan Project had asked to fill out the form for scholarship we had filled out the form for Mr. Buddhi Bahadur Thami, a student from class two for the scholarship. And the school family is really grateful to H.P. for support and expect such support in future too.
13. Since it was decided to run class 4 after Dashain and Tihar, Mr. Jangbu Sherpa has to bring some books (Basic English) from Kathmandu. There will be 8 students in class 4 who are the production of this school.
14. It was decided that the main road near by the school would be maintained in the coming winter season thinking that by that time people would have finished to harvest their crops and cut the grasses.
15. There were some mistakes in the last report of budget and account. So, it was decided to send the corrected report and detail of the budget as Soon as possible.
16. As the Himalayan Project had requested to make a free school nursery to Mr. Ang Gelu Sherpa, the suitable land for that purpose is in between toilet and the school building costs Rs. 55000/-. But the land below the school building, cheaper one costs Rs. 18000/- only but it is not very suitable because it is very near from the school compound. So as an alternatives if it is possible and suitable to make nursery near by the house of Mr. Jangbu Sherpa, he is willing to provide the necessary land free of cost.

nicely. And also to buy all necessary stationaries and the next year also. Also for Himalayan Project this will make us sure to run the school for many years according to our program. - So thank you for your effort!

But I am of course very sorry that you didn't succeed to have one of you three employed at the government salary. We would all have liked that so much. But I know this is very difficult to do. According to our original plan, and according to the number of students, the school shall be run as multiclass and with only 3 teachers from our side - including Government teachers. So unless you can find other solutions from your own side, you will have to dismiss one from your side. I am so sorry about that, as I like all 3 of you as teachers of Chhimbu. Who to leave is the decision of Managing Committee, but as Pemba is the last to be employed, it probably will be him, unless you find other solutions. I doesn't like this solution, but it is to be taken.

Now I will hope very much that the Government teacher will be happy in Chhimbu, and that he will do a good job there.

According to our reports and probably at my visit next year, we can later decide if he shall have the supplementary salary as you others are having, but until then he shall only have the salary from Government side.

Bishnu Subedi told me, that when Government has provided one teacher, they should already the next year provide one more teacher at primary level. Therefore you should already now start actively to have one of you recognized as Government teacher. You will decide yourself, but probably Bhimsen should go for this solution. The Managing Committee, the school principal and the teacher himself should work for this. All three shall apply actively at DEO office and Educational Ministry. For the ministry you should send a well formulated and nice application through Kathmandu Rotary Club, and Bishnu Subedi will help to what he can to push it through. Start this process as soon as possible as this will provide the best chance to have success. Work very active on it - all of you.

This is a hard decision but it is the only way Himalayan Project can succeed in the future work.

Now I will soon leave Nepal (on 7. November) but I am looking forward for your next report to see which progress you do in this matter as well as all others.

When you have decided who will leave, I will write a nice recommendation letter for him for his future success.

Yours Papa Kurt Lomborg!

Himalayan Project.

2. Marts 2003 by E-mail

Dear papa Kurt,

Namaste

First of all we (teaches, students & parents) would like to thank you for supporting Chhimbu school. Thanks to Rotary club's chairman and other members too. Also happy Lochar 2130.

For the permission of government teacher for school I went to Solu 4 times. On 23rd Feb. 2003 we got a permission for the teacher. That's why sorry to send report late. In this month for the government post (teacher) one teacher will come. After I return to school then we will appoint for the teacher.

For the class upgrade we have to take permission with the DEO. For primary school we have to deposit 50,000/- (Fifty thousand rupees) for three years. It is very difficult to raise this big amount by our school committee. The committee suggested to ask support to Himalayan Project. From this amount per annum 7.5 percent will be interest for our school. After three years the deposited money will be returned back.

The details of students will be send after the new session starts on May 15th 2003. Now the school is running in last session of this year. On 15th April 2003 our New session will start. Then after I will send you the details.

I have given 5000/- (five thousand rupees) to Sagar Bhakanje school for tree Nursery. For Chhimbu school we will tree nursery later because when I gave my land for tree nursery the neighbour looked at me in a bad sense. So that I will tree nursery by taking suggestions through you. Last month on this case my wife had a argument with the neighbour.

Papa. you said that you will give a scholarship for the student from Kinia and Sete. Our suggestion is better to take Rs. 200/- to

Dear Jangbu!

Thank you very much for your report, account, budget and marksheet!

And thank you for opening mail-address in schools name.

I was longing so much to see it. Unfortunately it does not look like everything is going so well. Government teacher is delayed, depositing a lot of money, school tree nursery in crisis etc.

But it also looks like there is a lot of success. That is how life is, isn't it.

And I am looking forward tasting your Local Chhimbu Highland Tea - I will serve it for the Rotary-Committee.

IMPORTANT: Please open bank account in Kathmandu at once. And ask Bank-manager to send me all informations about how to transfer money for the Schools Account in Kathmandu.

If it is possible, you should also keep the account in Salleri open, so we can use this too in special occasions.

I have some questions for you, which you didn't mention or which is not clear from your report.

When you reply, please write the same number at your reply as I have written in my question.

FIRST FOR THE REPORT:

1) Has 4. class started? When did it start? How many students in 4. class?

2) Deposit for DEO for upgrading! Yes we might give a help for this deposit, as we know most people in Chhimbu are poor.

Send me an application, in which you mention how much money school committee can raise.

3) In your report you write that new session starts on 15. May and also 15. April. How can you start on 2 different dates? OK, I think I understand - this session is finished on 15. April and the new starts on 15. May - right?

4) Fine that you have given Sagar-Bakanje 5000 Rs - Please ask them to send me full report on this amount. How they used the money and what happens in the Tree Nursery.

5) About Chhimbu Tree Nursery. Who is the neighbour arguing with you and your wife? What is his argument? Why doesn't he like Tree Nursery?

6) Our scholarship programme are in crisis right now, so I have no news about scholarships. And you must understand, that we are only giving scholarships if we can find donors - and this is a difficult process.

I ACCEPT YOUR BUDGET, and also mentioning half year salary for all three teachers. As you write, we can recalculate later - better write too much than too less.

FOR ACCOUNT I HAVE SOME REMARKS AND QUESTIONS:

7) When you were in Salleri, did you visit bank? Did you see the arrival of approximately 145.000 Rs, which we did send from here in mid December? If you did see this amount you should write it in account.

8) When you write the teachers salary you must always write for which period you have payed the salary (from which date to which date and not unspecified months). This can easily give some confusions as in question 9 & 10.

9) There have never been any account for Pemba's Salary in the period 15/4-02 til 15/6-02. Did he not have salary for this period? Was this the period, when he was in Kathmandu for computer-training?

10) Bhimsen and Jangbu salaries are 2m and later 3m - until which date did you pay out salaries?

11) Is the stonefloor finished in classrooms? How does it look?

12) Is the desks and benches finished? How does they look?

13) You did give 5.000 Rs for Sagar-Bakanje. From which account? If you did give it from this account - it shall be written there.

AND FOR TEACHERS REPORT FORM:

14) Does I understand the Form right:

A) It tells how many days the students have attended lessons out of 111 possible days?

I Apologize one again that we couldn't send you highland tea because of no season to pick up. I am writing the answers that you have asked me. After Deepawali we have started class 4. Now there are seven students in class 4. Three are girls and 4 are boys. I think the students will increase in new session.

Papa, in any how I will make ready Rs. 5000/- through committee. If they can't then I will manage it by myself. But I request you for 45,000/-. I think that you also know the condition of our school committee.

Our new session will begin from 15th April. Sorry that I wrote mistake on the previous letter.

When I will return back I will inform to Sagar Bhakanje to submit reports. Because before this they had winter vacation so they didn't work. Now the school is running on.

About the tree nursery we had just minor arguement with the neightbour. No, need to be worry for that. About the arguement the cause was different. We will talk when you come here. When I will be back then I will start the tree nursery at our school. In letter please write start the tree nursery in your letter.

About the scholarship I don't have any comment from my side. We had a talk in your last visit. That's why I just wanted to know.

After we have cashed money from bank on 12th Nov. 2002 we have been two times to solu for government teacher. After you have advised me to take out the money from bank I did so as you told. The after I haven't checked the balance. When I return from Ktm I will appointment the teacher and then I will go to Solu. The I will check the balance and let you know by mail.

I am writing uou the answer of Q. No. 9 & 10. I haven't paid to Pemba from 15/4/2002 to 15/56/2002. He stayed in ktm for two montsh to learn computer by his own money. We didn't send him. VDC didn't gave him salary that's why he went to ktm.

Two months means of Bhimsen and Jangbu is 15/8/2002 to 15/10/2002 and 3 months means 15/10/2002 to 15/1-2003. I have paid for two months (15/11/2002) Three months on (15/1/2003). I have done this according to budget which was finalized in ktm.

Now we are working on stone floor. After finishing we think it will be long durable than wood. Stone flour is doing by Sano Jetha Thami.

We have managed woods for desks and benches. It will be ready within April 1st week because new session will start on 2nd week of April.

I have given 5000/- rupees from our balance 39130/-. Now our current balance is $39130 - 5000 = 34130$. I will send this in 15th may 2003 report.

For teacher report:

- a. 111 means the school opened days till first term exam.
- b. 40 marks means from 1st term exam and 60 marks is from final term exam. Whole grand total is 100 marks.
- c. 12 lesson means only the English subject of class 3.
- d. I have given you list of class three only for sample. Other will be send on 15th May 2003.

Answer of Q. No. 15, 16, 17, & 18: For the post of teacher we have conformed to Bhimsen. For the next year we will select one teacher from Jangbu & Pemba. But the government can't give teacher as our request. because the rule and regulations of Nepali government is not good. The government said they will give teacher after depawali but they gave teacher just now. It was to late time.

I had brought the letter of DEO to open new account in Ktm. But there were many other documents required to open new account. That's why I will open it in next time. We haven't close the account of Solu bank.

If Bhimsen will be appointed for the teacher he will check the account and other works of government side. I will handle the Rotary & Himalayan Project account.

Lastly, Papa Kurt thankyou very much that you have questioned which I have done wrong. I am really very happy. We hope bright success in your work.

Sincerely,

Jangbu Sharna

I have written a letter for schoolcommittee and villagers which is appended here. Please print it and read it for the next committee meeting.

About bank accounts. Open in KTM when ready. And give message when I shall use it for transfer.

And do not close down the account in Saleri. We need both accounts in future.

Maybe the problems of Nursery is something with selling land. But he knows the price is too high, and he will never sell it for me for more than 5-6.000 Rs.

Thank you for the application. According to my appended letter I would like a new application from Committee next time you are in KTM, where the committee mention how much money they have collected, and for which purposes they will spend the interests on 3.750 Rs/year and the deposit when it is paid back in 3 years.

I will not accept that you personally shall pay the deposit for approval of Primary School.

I will now try once again to force the committee to be active. Maybe we will succeed or maybe not. Tell them that if they don't pay or react active, then everything might be lost.

I will find a way to produce the rest amount anyway - but don't tell the villagers too much about that - they has to believe it is their work.

When do you need to pay the 50.000 Rs - which date is deadline?

I am longing so much to hear who will be appointed by Government. I am praying for DEO will appoint Bhimsen. Then everything will be pure happiness.

Give all my best wishes for Happy New Year for everyone in Chhimbu and specially for everyone!!!

Yours Papa Kurt!

04-03-2003 by mail:

Respected Papa

1. The bank account of Sallery has not been closed and for the further process to open account of Kathmandu , Bhimsen is coming in kathmandu in mid of April. And the account will be opened when he will come here with the required documents. Because at that time his teaching will be near to the end and he is coming here with his own work .
 2. Deposit is currently required within 2nd week of March 2003 because if we delay then it will be issue only after one year.
 3. After getting back this deposited money then only we can decide what we can do from your suggestion. But once again I will take suggestion from meeting when I will return back.
 4. I hope to get reply as soon as before coz the deposit money is required soon because the committee may do delay to send application so why I am waiting for your reply. I will stay tomorrow only and will be back day after tomorrow.
 5. We have just get permission from DEO to take Bhimsen as our school teacher. According to the rule, the school have to published the advertisement for the teacher appointment for 1 week, so then the committee choose the candidate from those applications and send to the DEO for permission but no other candidate is coming from other places, we only two Bhimsen and me because only we get the teacher's lisenec in our village. Bhimsen wants to stay in Government Quota so I decided not to give application from my side and I suggest to take him . After this our school will be registered as a Government School and but it is impossible to get Government Quota every year for the teacher coz the situation is not fixed here.
- So this much for today, ending here with hope to get reply as soon as possible.

Thank you - Yours sincerely

Jangbu Sherpa

04-03-2003 by mail:

Dear Jangbu!

OK, Jangbu. I think we did a good work this time. We had efficient communication through E-mail by day to day basis. I think that now our communication system is running smoothly. Ask Bhimsen also to use this mail-address when he come to KTM.

Have a nice trip back - bring my letter and read it for Committee.

Thank you, Jangbu.

Yours Papa Kurt!

2003-03-04 by letter:

Dear Chhimbu Primary School!

Dear students of the best school in Nepal!

Dear School Committee and dear all villagers of Chhimbu high in the clouds!

And dear all you three good teachers who are making Chhimbu famous and well known!

From Skivehus Rotary Klub and Himalayan Project we all wish you a very happy Losar 2130. We will wish that this coming year of water-sheep would create the right environment for taking good decisions and doing all the right things with our school.

In this coming year you will have to decide some important things and do some actions which will change the future of Chhimbu Primary School. I will here mention some and give my suggestions.

We are so very happy to learn that DEO decided to appoint our most beloved teacher Mr. Bhimsen Basnet as our Government employed teacher. How lucky we are that we can keep our 3 well known and devote teachers at our school. Congratulations for you all.

But to have Government to approve your teachers, and to have Government supporting the running of the school, you will have to take the approval of a primary school from DEO. For this purpose you will have to deposit 50.000 Rs. at DEO office, and this has to be done within a few days.

This is the work of School Managing Committee to raise the money and to deposit the amount at DEO office to show Government that the villagers of Chhimbu really want to have a school in their village. Therefore hurry on to collect as much money as possible for this purpose.

Skivehus Rotary Klub will support the rest amount in two conditions:

- The amount collected by the committee, which is returned after 3 years, and also the interest of 7,5% yearly of the whole amount (which is 3.750 Rs per year for 3 years) shall belong to Chhimbu School Managing Committee, and the money shall be used by the committee for school purposes by the committee's decision.
- The support given by Skivehus Rotary Klub shall when returned after 3 years go back to Chhimbu Primary School as working capital.

And I understand that you now are working on the stone-floor and furniture. I know you will do this in a good way, as I already know the skills of craftsmen in Chhimbu. And soon you will start the work on the road widening. Do it all in the best way, all the time thinking on the safety and comfort of your children.

And also the School Tree Nursery has started in Sagar-Bakanje, but not in Chhimbu yet. Soon we will also start it at other schools in Solu, so Chhimbu should be before them. Because forestry it of uttermost importance now and in future, because the cutting down of trees is running faster than the growing of trees in almost every corner of Nepal. It is so important to understand the nature and life of trees if you want to have firewood in the next generations also, so let the school children have this chance to learn about it. And also the rest of you should take a look from time to time at the Nursery, maybe there is also something new and interesting for you, even you are elderly and experienced. Therefore every villager of Chhimbu, please cooperate with Mr. Jangbu on this issue.

I can see from Teachers Report that some of you students are busy, attending almost every day at school and obtaining good marks. I am so happy about this, because you have understood that this school is your personal chance in life. Thank you very much.

2. Arrived new budget amount was Rs.146521.99. In which we have kept Rs.42500 for class upgrade and committee have managed only 7500.
3. The DEO wants to see the more five years sponsor paper of Rotary or Himalayan project for class upgrade so we need that letter also papa. Paper should about help for school.
4. In our school Bhimsen is full Government teacher now he will gets his salary from last 15th March 2003.He gets Rs.4100 and head Master allowance Rs.200=4300 per month. Now he is Government teacher so he works all the government side like DEO. Class upgrade etc. because he is headmaster. But I look for your side.
5. Our school new session is started from 16th April 2003. Now is well to running.
6. We will make school tree nursery when I go back. I will take the nursery equipment with me from here. I will back after two days and I will send the nursery account next time.
7. Today is Sunday so bank is closed and will open tomorrow only. I will send you the account information when I open the new account in Kathmandu.
8. Now the political condition is good. Salleri account is also ok. We hope that the condition will go on good condition.
9. Papa I have brought some local tea. Namgel Jangbu is also coming there. So shall I send tea with him or shall I send by mail?
10. Road weddening work also starts when I back from here.

Sincerely

Jangbu Sherpa

18 May 2003

Dear Jangbu!

Thank you very much for your mails and reports.

It was nice to hear news from Chhimbu, and nice that everybody is doing well.

I think all your reports and accounts is very clear and fine.

But of course I have some questions and comments for you.

1) For class upgrade and everything it is Skivehus Rotary Club to reply. Even rotary has agreed in taking all expenses one more year (year 2003-2004)

2) You write that "we have kept 42500 Rs for upgrade", and in Account you write "deposited in bank for upgrade". Where is this amount actually - in bank / at school / at DEO?

I think it is OK that the villagers have collected 7.500 Rs only. In fact I didn't expect more.

We shall remember that this amount 7.500 Rs plus interests shall be paid back for School Committee when released from DEO.

3) It is new for me with this sponsor-letter. You must explain me a little more about this paper.

And what will we get for this sponsorletter? One more teacher-salary?

When do we have to deliver this sponsor-letter? Is autumn OK? I think we need to discuss the conditions for running 5 years.

4) I never heard before that Bhimsen now is the Headmaster. Who appointed him? DEO or School Committee or you teachers?

What shall we call your appointment, Jangbu - Liason Teacher?

We will need to negotiate all about travel expenses and supplementary salaries in the autumn.

5) Thank you for a very informative record of the number of students.

I am a little confused to see only 5 students in 5. class.

And why don't the 3 Kinza-students want to continue in Chhimbu when they wanted the first class.

6) Fine with Nursery. I also had mail from Ang Dawa, that their Nursery are in good progress. Very nice!

I also heard rumours that your neighbour is ready to negotiate about nursery. But I don't think we should wait for that.

7&8) I still think it will be good to open an account in KTM. Rotary and HP can transfer for this account - this will be safe for

2. We need your sponsor letter very soon so if you send in this POST BOX NO.8102 then we can get it soon. Write this that you are going to help for 5 years not about the teacher.

3. As Bhimsen is the only one Government Teacher so according to the rules he will be the headmaster and he has taken the 10-days training already about it. The committee did not form the headmaster. His responsibility is to go to the DEO because he is a government teacher. I am also helping that I could for him. My responsibility is to go to Solu and Kathmandu to send reports and accounts of your's side.

4. Three students of Kinga left the school because they have to walk long distance for the school each day. Now they are studying in Kinza School.

5. Today I went to the Banijya Bank Kathmandu to open new account. But due to the absence of the officer I have to wait till tomorrow. They called me for tomorrow. When I open the new account tomorrow then I will inform you.

6. I am sending the tea with Namgel jangbu that I have brought for you. The scholarship of Samjana Thami and Sona Sherpa has been sent to Chhumbu. I have given to them.

7. I am making tree nursery in my own land. If Sonam gives his land near the school it would be better. If Ang Gelbu and Sonam sell his land in Rs. 20,000.00 (twenty thousand) I think that land is ok. If they agree to register the land in the school's name then it's ok. If we give the money first then it will be difficult to register the land in the school's name. Last six months ago when Namgel Jangbu arrived in Chhumbu he said Rs. 60,000.00 (sixty thousand) for that land. But now he said Rs. 20,000.00 (twenty thousand) for that same land. Sonam went to Kathmandu two days before than me. I didn't know that.

If you have any more questions please feel free to ask me.

Sincerely, Jangbu Sherpa

19 May 2003

Dear Jangbu!

Thank you for the letter for Skivehus Rotary Klub - I will read it for the club on our next meeting.

And thank you for your explanations - I think I understand the most, but just to be sure, I will ask a little more.

1) OK, you have deposited 50.000 in the bank. In which account - the school's normal account / a new special account of the school / another account (which)

2) You still need to tell me more about this sponsorletter. I have never heard about this before. Even when we did start to build the school, we didn't produce one. I need more details about why, how, where etc.

6) Yes, I know about the transfer of scholarship for Samjhana and Sonam - but I mean about the future. It could be nice if you could take the scholarship every time you are in KTM. That's why I did suggest you to contact Mrs. Ushma.

7) I know that this land will normally cost around 5-6000 Rs. I offered 9000 Rs. So don't you think it is still a little high with 20.000 Rs? Do you know why they suddenly want to sell? Do they need money, or do they just think, this is last chance?

Who is the legal owner of the land, Ang Gelbu or Mrs. Rinji? Right now we don't have the 20.000 Rs for the land, but if you think it will be so much better to take this land, then I will take it in consideration and see if I can find the money.

Yours Papa Kurt!

20 May 2003

Respected Papa Namaste. Thank you for your reply and Questions. I am going to write about the answers here.

1. Rs 50,000 (fifty Thousand) are separate fixed date account in same bank and the interest will collect in same account of our school.

2. Before we don't need any deposit and sponsor letter to established and run the class upgrade, now due to the new rule we have to show the sponsor letter and deposit paper to the DEO. This rule is just begun from this year. Because many school were opened illegally. Government get difficulties to provide Quota to all that school so to handle this situation the Government made this new rule. So this paper should be presented before DEO.

3. Papa today I went to bank but the rules for opening the account for the school has already changed. I had brought the DEO's

- 1) The 50.000 deposit is put in a specific account in the schools name, with only this amount and none other amount there, right? And the interests from this account is paid to the regular account of Chhimbu School (# 7588, Salleri), right?
- 2) I understand the sponsorletter now. I will make a letter and send it for GPOBox 8102. This is your sisters box, isn't it? And she will send it fast for Chhimbu when arrived, right? I need to have a meeting with Rotary before I can write this letter, but I think it can be done within 2 weeks - and then 2 weeks for mail - and finally KTM-Chhimbu - so calculate yourself.
- 3) OK with bank. Right now Salleri Branch is safe, so I will send for there, until you give me message that KTM-account is opened. I will ask Rotary to transfer the rest of this years Rotary budget which is around 75.000 Rs for Salleri.
- 6) OK with Mrs Ushma - in fact I just heard that she is on holiday in Denmark.

I think it is fine for now Jangbu, when we have those last questions settled. Thank you for fine reporting and accurate accounting. It becomes more and more easy to communicate the situation in Chhimbu further for Rotary. Give my best wishes and love for everybody in Chhimbu. I hope very much that the political situation is still safe in the autumn, so I can come for Solu in this autumn.

Yours Papa Kurt!

21 May 2003

Dear Papa Kurt,

Tashi Delek, Sorry for the yesterday short email reply to you. And again i apologize to you asking the same question again.

(1) Well, the amount Rs.50,000 will be deposits in out specific account as same and the interest will be gone to our account no.7588. But now a days the interest rate is down to just 6.25 %.

(2) And You can send me the sponsor letter to my sister post box, that is P.O.Box No. : 8102, kathmandu. Send me the letter on 15th june 2003 and as soon as it reached to the box, it will deliver to me.

papa thankyou very much for everything. All the best wishes,

Jangbu Sherpa

30 May 2003

Dear papa,

I wish you many many Happy New Year 2060. May this New Year bring you happy, joy and long life. I very happy to writ the letter even I'm late. I hope you know all the things about the Scholl are already mention by Jangbu Sherpa.

1. I came here to bye get some books (teacher guide) and necessary thing for the student and some for teacher. And, I've got some my personally work also. I've told before to bring that book but he didn't bring that book because of short time. Those books are available only in Sano Thimi (Bhaktapur) I'll take form there, and I'll back.
2. If we follow that teacher guide book that will good for that student. From there we can gain good quality of education.
3. I've got sit for the government teacher from 2003/03/11. I've got recommendation from D.E.O office. And, I'm already headmaster of the school. To be a headmaster that person should be comes through the government sit. Or should be related with government. If, not so D.E.O will not give Rs.11000, which should school have to get as an investment of the school.
4. From April 02 Lal Bahadur Thami son of Subba Thami is working as a Peon. We'll paid him from that Rs.11000 which is given us from D.E.On by Rs.800. all together for his expansion will be Rs.10,400 including his Dashain festival.
5. There is necessary to open the bank account in the name of school. So, I've opened the deposit account, in Solukhumbu, Rastriya Banijya Bank. Account no. Is 1134. To open the bank account it takes Rs.2000. actually that work is of school to open deposit account. But, I've paid by my self.
6. To upgreat the classes work is going on. I've been to D.E.O many times, what did they says, to up great the class, we need the sponsor letter of five years. Can you send me that, just for the formality? After that letter I do everything by my self. I hope you'll send that as soon.
7. People of D.E.O comes to school for the check. They stay 1 day in my house. I've told them every thing about school. And, I take them to school. They like school very much. They told me to fulfill all the documents the work us creating system will

accepted, and also here the expenses is always lower, and even it is always for practical things. We support you fully in this act.

3) It is very new for me that the school receive 11.000 Rs from DEO for investment. Tell me more about this amount! Which purposes can this amount be used for?

4) It is also new for me that there is a peon at this small school. What is the work of Lal Bahadur at the school? Will he also be working with the Tree Nursery when it is coming into existence?

5) This bank account which you have opened (in Saleri, right?) it is for the deposit of 50.000 for DEO, right?

6) Yes I will send this sponsorletter for the address which Jangbu gave me. I will do this quite soon.

7) It is very fine that you can impress the DEO people. Of course you can. Your little school is very special - really!!! It has got a spirit which I have not seen anywhere else. I shall be proud of it. And DEO are also, of course. So keep on trying to ask DEO for one more teacher. Then we can do so much more from the excess of money - and for a much longer time.

8) About two extra classes I can not advise you. It is a big decision. Not only with the money. Also other points, like how can 3 teachers educate in 5 rooms.

I am preparing to come for Chhimbu this year. I just hope that political situation will still be stable when we reach autumn. But I feel quite sure I will come anyway.

Let us discuss the matters then, which we can not discuss by mail. I will be looking forward to sit in staff room discussing with all 3 of you and listen to your ideas. Maybe you will succeed putting some ideas into my head as well.

I am looking forward for your reply on this mail. So see you tomorrow/(or today for you).

Yours Papa Kurt!

1 June 2003

Dear papa, How are you? I hope fine. I'm also fine. I'm still here in Kathmandu. I" go by day after tomorrow (June 3rd). I got your mail. Thank you.

1. Our school is already became a government school. For the primary government school, there is separate money (11000 per year) to the name of school from the government. From that money school have to spend 10,400 for the peon in a one-year. That is government rule. Other government schools are also doing like that. Like so we have put one peon. Left money from D.E.O we can expense for the school miscellaneous.

2. Peon used to do all the works like sweeping, takes care of school building, etc.

3. As you mention in 5) 50000. if you are asking about that money which you have send that money is already in the bank. That is for school up greeting the school, not for the D.E.O.

Left things I'll mention when you will be here. If you have any message do write me in this same email, till tomorrow noon. (June 2, 2003)

Take care, Your sincerely, Bhimsen Basnet

2 June 2003

Dear Bhimsen! Thank you for your answers. But still one thing is missing:

3/5) The bank account which you opened, Solukhumbu, Rastriya Baniija Bank. Account no. Is 1134 it is for the deposit of the 50.000 for upgrading isn't it?

In this case you shall not pay from your own pocket. The school must pay. When account is closed in 3 years the money will be paid back again for the school - not for you. It will be too complicated to remember who is owing who. So please take the money from the school and write "balance amount on #1134" in the account.

OK, Bhimsen, have a nice walk back. Give my best wishes for everyone in Chhimbu.

Yours Papa Kurt!

30. maj 2003

important to keep our spirits high. But the second most important factor of course is the economy. It will definitely improve our capability to continue in length, if one more teacher will be public employed.

Anyhow for the next 5 years the organization Himalayan Project will promise to see to, that Chhimbu Primary School can continue its existence in the same standard as it has started.

Skive, Denmark on date:

sign.: (Chairman Himalayan Project)

Himalayan Project, Denmark, Kjeldbjergvej 34, DK-7800 Skive, klomborg@post11.tele.dk

10 July 2003

Dear papa

Now a days our school is holiday of summer vacation 15 days. So i am in kathmandu to review my computer course 10 days.

Next one room is building now from V.D.C. amount.

teacher pemba sherpa

15 July 2003

Dear papa

New room is building attaching with last room. For room VDC will pay all expenses also tinroof. In this work people contribution is 25%. I think most discuss for how to teach in 4 rooms with Jangbu and Bhimsen.

take care papa pemba

I have a letter from Bhimsen.

Dear sir, I have get your sponsore letter on 25 june 2003. Then i have been in D.E.O to bring license to running class 3. So i have brought it. And also sponsore letter to open new account in KTM. Our festival vacation will take 27 sep. to untill 11 oct. So when you come in chhimbu.

THis much for today. see you in chhimbu.

BHIMSEN

15 August 2003

Respected Papa, Namaste! I hope you, mummy and all the Rotary and Himalayan project's member doing fine there. I just came back from the day before yesterday and I sent one short message to you. Hope you got that message.

Today I am going to send you our Budget and Account through this email by attachment. So please you can see in the attachment in photoshop.

1. I came to Kathmandu because of opening New Bank Account for School.

The School Account No. is:

RASTRIYA BANIJYA BANK

Branch Office, Bhotahiti, Thamel, Ktm, Nepal

A/C No. 22998

Account holder name: Shree Chhimbu Prathmik Bidyalaya

2. I have already received sponser letter and the sponser letter is in Sallery now. Thank you very much.

3. I have requested to VDC and got 30,000 extra money in Budget so I made one School Room. this room is little bigger than other. But in roof we put tin so little bit dark because there is no skylight and also the budget is also not enough. In room there was no glass in the window and stone floor.

4. We have given 15 days holidays. It was on from 8th July to 22 July 2003. Now its again started.

5. We have already made the road and for school tree nursery I have given my land but we don't have much plants so that we will product in next year. But land is ready for planitation.

6. We will make the school uniforms after I go back to Village. So that I have not shown in account for this.

On which account do you want the next transfer - KTM or Salleri (you should write on budget which amounts for each bank)

When do you need next transfer (when will you come for bank again)?

ad.3.) This new school room is not really a rotary room - but your own school room made on the school's own decision. But of course we want it to be looking nice and working nice. So please send me a very detailed and specified budget of all which is needed to make this room the same standard as the rest of the school. Also which amounts is still available from VDC donation and from other sources. Then our rotary committee will consider.

ad.5 and 7.) Let us discuss when I come to visit you this year.

ad.6.) When you are going to produce the uniforms later than today - then it is OK that it is not on account - but then you need to have it on Budget.

ad.8.) We will have to negotiate all the extra salaries, now you have changed to have not only one headmaster, but in fact two who are doing the works. Let us take that when I come. And also travel expenses have to be discussed, now Bhimsen also need some travelling.

ad.9.) About political situation. Will you find it safe enough for me to travel in Solu like it looks right now?

Here follows my comments on ACCOUNT and BUDGET:

The account looks very clear and fine, thank you.

The budget is already mentioned some missing points (ad.3 & ad.6 & ad.1)

But still our accounting period is for 15. Feb. to 15. Aug and 15. Aug to 15. Feb.

We can change this periods but we has to discuss it. It is more convenient for the Rotary account to keep to the old periods.

In future Account and Budget will need two extra collums for in/out Bank in KTM. Will you be able to find such a book in KTM with Kasse and Bank 1 and Bank 2?

I am very happy the read Namgyal's mail for Mrs. Ushma, that you will visit her. I hope you will be able to help us distributing the scholarship fees for some of our students in your area.

My detailed plans for visiting Chhimbu is not fixed yet, but it will be in the first part of November.

Now it became a long mail, so now I will go for bed to have a deep sleep.

Looking forward for your reply.

Yours Papa Kurt!

18 August 2003

Dear Papa, Its my pleasure on getting your reply. Too much pleasure for getting your grandchild. I want to wish for the good health and progress.

From the one month long treatment, the hand of my son is now ok and now is start to continue his school too.

1. When you are sending budget you can sent it in A/C of kathmandu for now and later if the condition of salleri become well then u can sent it in there too. Here , I will back in kathmandu after three month.

3. To add one class room, our V.D.C. has given as the amount of Rs. 30,000/- only and the lack of money had been collected through the villegers through work, and now we had completed to build it. Now if we paint it put glass (worth Rs. 2500) stoned it (worth 7500) then we well get it as other classes. and for sky light it will cost about Rs. 2000. In total it will take 12000 more for its completion. We can complete it in ur arrible too.

6. In budget sheet its forget to mention about school uniform and new school account in Ktm. So, there its mention in this email. Sorry for missing it in budget.

9. Here for now I am working on recording the budget you had sent and budget which are using. Before it I was busy on getting one government teacher in our school. For this I had gone to solu for many times because Chairman of solu Ang Nima is my friend.

Now, Bhimsen is appointed as the government teacher in our school and he is working as Principal in our school .

OK - if it is more convenient for you to change budget/account period - then OK with me.

15. July - 15. January

15. January - 15. July

Is this your suggestion for the future?

Will it be possible for you to ask the bank about Telex-number and Swift Code?

And ask the bank if we shall send the money directly for Branch Office or through Main Office?

Column book: do as you can the best until I come. I will bring some column book with sufficient space for Cash and 3 bank accounts and one for extras.

If you want to delay Tree Nursery for later, then wait until I have been there. Maybe I will negotiate with Ang Gelbu if he is sensible to discuss with. But of course I will discuss the matter with you before I start negotiating with him.

Have a nice journey home, and give greeting for all my friends and children in Chhimbu.

Yours Papa Kurt!

6 May 2004

Respected papa Kurt, Namaste!

I hope you and all of your family are well there. And hope all of Rotary family are doing well. Our school saying thanks a lot for everything to papa and all of Rotary members.

I have here just today from Jiri. So now I am sending a short message by the mail.

Our school is already opening from 21st of April 2004. This year all total enrolled as student in our school. Four students have passed from five class. Three have joint in Sagar Bhakanje school and one is in Chaula Kharka school for grade six.

We have harvest 1500 seeds in school tree nursery. Almost is pine seed and some bamboo and some are local grass. All the seeds we have in poly bags.

For our school, Bhimsen went 2 times for class upgrading in DEO but still nothing happened for class 4 and 5 but all the document are Bhimsen have took for DEO. And for one more teacher, our committee decided our school need one more teacher so we did that and one is sent to DEO through Bhimsen that idea is didn't by me. Because we need that the month activity is nothing than work.

Bhimsen have took 17 days teacher training . It was produced by DEO in Chaoula Kharka and have extra allowance for that training by DEO.

Our student Samjhana Thami have got Rs. 500.00 schoolership from DEO. Because is abnormal.

Papa I have sent Budget sheet last time, is that enough or we need to send it again?

That's all for today. Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely, Jangbu Sherpa

Dear Jangbu!

Thank you for your report. I think it was a mistake, when you didn't mention the number of students enrolled this year - check it at ??.

I am very happy that you are now growing something in the nursery. How do the students like it?

Very good that you are very active with DEO to have another teacher.

Wonderful that Bhimsen are taking training.

Wonderful that Samjhana is having even more scholarship - I think her donor will be happy.

The budget, which you send me last time were from february to august. So if there is no changes in the budget - then it isn't necessary this time.

But I need the account.

Excuse me papa about the account I have sent school account no through my brother in Salleri for check the budget but at the time there was empty it was first week of april 2004 so I could not send any account sheet this time because we haven t took out the budget from the bank so now the budget is in salleri bank papa?

I will send the account period of 6-month next time means 1 February 2004-1st august 04.

About Ang dawa's account I don't know papa but Deo haven t any promised abot the teacher there it is really I know.

About the scholarship I will tell to student it will comes next times papa the young boy Krishna Basnet is not in Chhimbu School his father want to send in Sagar Bhakanje schools so I have gave him all the money. The money was totals 7325 rupees. Because he is living near by sete.Please reply me after receiving this mail.because I back to home after two days.All the best wishes to you.

Your regard Jangbu Sherpa

Dear Jangbu!

Yes, we did send the money for Salleri this time. I don't remember why, but I think it was you who wanted like that, because of easier to collect. The money were send from here on 1. Marts 2004 through Rastriya Bank Main Branch for Salleri Branch with the amount of approximately 110.000 Rs. So the transfer has taken more than 4 weeks - but probably not so unusual with a transfer all the way for Salleri. So I understand, as you didn't have any money in school, you haven't spend any, and therefore there is no account to give - right? It is OK, I will see next time.

And budget. If it is more convenient for you to give budget for another period, it is fine with me. But you shall keep in mind what is the order of busines:

- 1) When I receive a budget, I have to write it in a clear way, and call in for meeting in Rotary Committee (can take several weeks)
- 2) Rotary Committee decides how much to transfer
- 3) Committee Chaiman ask Rotary to do the transfer (can take 1-2 weeks)
- 4) The bank are transferring (takes 1-5 weeks)

Therefore it is OK with me to give budget for 3 months at a time instead of 6 months (although I will prefere 6 months).

But then you shall give it in this way:

In May budget for August-September-October

In August budget for November-December-January

In November for February-Marts-April

In February for May-June-July

In this way we have the time to send the amount before the budget period starts.

Thanks for mentioning all the classes and all the students. Now I can give a full report for Rotary. Can you explain me what is the reason there are so many boys in school and so few girls?

I will look so much forward seeing the Nursery.

Today is my birthday, so very soon my grandchildren will arrive here to celebrate me.

Looking forward for your reply.

Yours Papa Kurt!

8 May 2004

Respect papa kurt Namaste and you are enjoying with your birthday. I don t know about your birthday . I don t know about your birthday but I want to give you contribution. of your birthday and long live the god smiling on your life.

Ok papa, I am sending budget for 1st August to Nov. 2004 (because I have sent the budget for till 1st Aug. 2004 already)

1. Bhimsen extra salary 900 X 3 = Rs. 2700. Festival alliance 900 X 1 = Rs. 900.
2. Pemba salary 4600 X 3 = Rs. 13800. Festival alliance 4600 X 1 = Rs. 4600.

OK, we will continue budget at usual, right? But if we are doing as usual, I would rather prefer that you together with Bhimsen are preparing 1. August 2004 to 31. January 2005, to send me next time you are in KTM - which are in August. I will not take action to send more money on the basis of this 3 months budget. There should be enough, when you take 110,000 Rs from Salleri. So therefore I will prefer to forget this budget, made in a haste, to have the full budget and full account next time.

I would like you all 3 teachers for the next time to produce an overview about which children of Chhimbu who are in school and who are not. And also to ask those Thami-parents who are not sending their children, why they don't want their children to study. Do they really want their children to be farmworkers for low salary for ever? If you make some survey on this, I might be able to prepare something for my visit in the autumn.

Give my best wishes to Kazi, and his father Kusang with great congratulations from me. And also my best wishes for Bhimsen and Pemba - and say Namaste from me to all the children of the school. And also for all the others in Chhimbu.

Have a nice trip back.

Yours Papa Kurt!

11 May 2004

Dear Papa, Namaste.

I wish of the occasion of 2061 bring your life is healthy wealthy and successful

I was returned in Kathmandu . Because of my mother's Sickness problem. . I will returned immediately leave with my mummy and my younger brother. I was also came in ktm I think Jangbu was already told to you. I think all of the report are sending by Jangbu. But I got 2 problems. They are as follows.

1. While you leave from this School about of I had already gone 3 times about of this school works to district Superintendent. I had apply for the adding of New gov. Teacher. That time District education officer had told there is no any post to the Teacher we don't know what will in future times. If the post of teacher is come to in our school I had told that have to give first priority to our school. I was requested to the District education Officer to be complete of that work.

2. We had apply for all of reasons about of Class four of upgrade. But, don't do that upgrade because the help through by the international country and how to manage the school by single teacher. That's why School will be not of in good environment in future. It means demand of school will be decrease. But I told that the recent or in this moment the help of international country is not stop immediately so class have to upgrade , we are being to concentrate to continue force to this work.

Above of the following reasons had already apply by me. So, We have going to continuous of this work . I had already told with Bishnu subedi while meeting with him about of this work.

He had told that He will also help what he can do. And all of the activities are going on well condition. I'm waiting for your suggestions. Thank you.

Your's Faithfully Bhimsen Basnet

Dear Bhimsen!

Thank you for your pictures. It is so nice to see the students during the big occasions, and also to see how the Nursery looks. In this evening I will show the pictures for the Rotary Club.

Congratulations with the result to have completed your primary education for the first 4 students.

I think you are doing a great job in DEO to improve the situation of the school. And also to have the support of Bishnu Subedi is good. I think you shall just continue doing what you are already doing.

You can tell that the supportive situation of the school will be continuing for a long time. Rotary might draw out sooner or later. But Himalayan Project will continue as long as I live.

But there is a problem. Rotary can afford supporting two teachers. but Himalayan Project will have problems doing this for long

Teachers are not giving the account, how much money they had received & receiving now, how much amount they had spent for which works. They are not informing anything to the school board. The school is receiving some amount from District Education Office, and we are unknown in which purpose, these amount is used. We are very sorry to inform these sad news. You are helping so much to this school, so we think it would be better if you take initiative to know what is happening. We just want, the sum you are sending is utilised in the proper works. Thanking you very much for everything you have done to Chhinbu Primary School.
yours Parents: A.K.S.

Dear Parents: A.K.S.

I am very grateful for your mail. Thank you very much.

I am quite confident, that the teachers are doing a very nice and full job in their duty running the education.

It isn't the teachers to call for meetings and informing the villagers.

It is the duty of School Managing Committee (SMC) to call for meetings - and during this meeting SMC has the right to order the headmaster to inform about all details in the school account.

In this case the headmaster can't ignore the wish of SMC.

But anyway, I will visit Chhimbu School in autumn with one of my rotarian friends. As I had the feeling from last year that the local authorities are satisfied with our work, and they won't resist our presence, we will probably stay for some days.

We will call for a SMC-meeting during our stay, so during this meeting we will give a review about all extra expenses on works for the school. Then irregularities will be revealed, if any such exist.

I hope you will attend the meeting - probably by end of October - will you?

I am very satisfied that you have opened your doubt to me.

I will take care of the problem, and it will be solved in the one way or the other.

Thank you. Yours Papa Kurt!

3. August 2004

Respected Papa Namaste & also namaste to mummy,

I hope that you and all of Rotary family doing well there Thank you very much for everything done.

I am here in Kathmandu yesterday evening so I am sending a short report and attached account of last 1st February 2004-1Aug 2004.

a. Our school have close for monsoon vacancy 20 days and it was 2nd July to 22 July 2004.

b. We will produce school students uniform after I back to school.

c. We have planted 20 tea bushes below the school building or ground its 1.5 meters different in each plant.

d. We have already some pine, some bamboos and some local grass in tree nursery but the seeds from Kathmandu was some pine and some bamboos but the seed was not so good for use because it was only 50 percent come up plants in rest of the land we have some flowers.

e. In our school there are more boys studying than girls because there in Chhimbu only three girls not coming to school among them two girls is Soman's daughters and one is Kazi thami's but some children they are very young for school.

f. The Himalayan Trust has given some plain papers, marker pens, and strings. Its value was about 2000 Rs but we don't need pay for it. It's brought from Junbesi School.

g. A Lady from France she have brought some medicine for our school children it was for headaches, diaheria, Cough and some first aid things its value was about more that 5 thousands. Her name was Sylvie Ferrari. This medicine is only for children not for adult.

So give me some details on A&B and also a new scan, and then I will finish the account.

For your report I have following comments:

1) Thank you for the information.

2) Uniform: Fine, you should produce school uniforms - the light summer uniform.

But we are working on something here, which I can't tell you right now.

But I need to know how much fabric (clothes) is spend for tetung for all students - meters wide and meters long? And also for trousers/skirt - meters wide and meters long?

Is the tailor always easily available? Within few days? Or how long time in advance should you call for him?

9) What is the price for Litho Machine. Which work is supposed to be done? Why do you find it necessary? What about MB - will they use it?

10) I don't understand which overexpense Bhimsen have made? What did he spend extra money for?

11) It would be fine with a Budget until November 1.

I will visit Chhimbu with one of my Rotary-friends for some days by end of October. Then we will discuss further budget.

And then you don't need to visit KTM for reporting in autumn.

I will be very busy with a lot of work for the next 4-5 days, but I will try to take the time on your mails.

How long time are you staying in KTM?

Looking forward for your reply. Yours Papa Kurt!

5. August 2004

Respected Papa, Namaste again

Thank you very much for the reply and asking for some misunderstanding points. So I am writing them.

A. Our old balance was 1020 in salleri Bank and other amount is interest and Rs 238.61 is rest of new balance so all total Rs 5340.79 is rest now in Salleri account. And the new balance is salleri was come from Denmark on 25th march 2004.

B. In account Rs. 1254 is over expense of last account please u can see in last February account.

2. Dear papa the per children need approximately a meter long and wide for tetung and trousers but for skirt it takes little more longer means 1.5 meters long and wide.

The tailor whenever I can call him because he is near by and he is experience for Produce our school children uniform already.

9. Litho machine is necessary for the school to produce question papers, letters for committee and some times for parents meeting in school.

Actually I don't know the price but it is Rs. 5000-6000 thousands in my think. Because I saw it in Sagar Bhakanje school it was given by Himalayan trust so i have asked to papa. I think they will not (M.B) use it because in Sagar Bhakanje they haven't use till now.

10. Bhimsen has done some expense for school office expenses or some prize for student in pass result. So he did that expense his self and it get over that DEO budget. So he wants to take that over expense from rotary account or me.

11. You are Wel come very much with your friend will visit our village and school near soon.

What about report of Sagar Bhakanje school you have some comment for it? i stay here for two more days because still I need to waiting for your reply and visit in SCDO's friends.

Thanks a lot for looking forward for every thing. Your regard Jangbu Sherpa

6. August 2004

Sorry Jangbu, but I have been so busy.

Now the account is 100% clear to read. Thank you.

I am still nor clear about the second line in your account.

I understand the 1251, which is repayment for a "loan" from the negative balance in school account.

I received your reply today here. Yesterday I have tried till evening in the computer to get your mail but we haven't success to get.

Now I received your reply here and I want send some points to papa I stay for your mail today so I back next morning at six o clock.

The second line in account there is interest of Rs 50000 and the interest is period of 21 months include there.

Iam very sorry papa I did wrong adding on account you are right papa and Deo account also Thank you very much for your reply.

I will try to find the Litho machine today because of before report i just asked papa for that if I get it I would send you a mail in this evening.

I will give to Bhimsen's expense when I go back to school.

The budget send to Salleri bank is better than KTM because next time papa will be Chhimbu so that I needn't come to Ktm.

Nice to see you again in autumn near, all the best wishes.

8. August 2004

Dear Jangbu!

Happy that you still are there one day.

Does 2. line mean that the 50.000 did give 5102,18 Rs in interest - or is it both the 50.000 for 21 months plus interest on school account itself?

I would like to have it specified for each, if this is the case.

And also, I shouldn't calculate the amount from Rotary DK myself. It should be written as a specified income.

I will try to reply fast this evening if you write.

Yours Papa Kurt!

Report on Chhimbu Primary School on 20. November 2004

Thoeger Berg Nielsen and Kurt Lomborg from Skivehus Rotary Club, Denmark visited Chhimbu Primary School in the period 2. November – 6. November 2004. We spend some wonderful days with the Students, the Teachers, the Managing Committee and with the Villagers. Although Dashain Festival the students came for the school to celebrate us. Thank you for all.

A new School Managing Committee has been elected.

Chairman: Danubu Sherpa

Secretary: Bhimsen Bashnet

Teacher Member: Pemba Sherpa

Members: Bishnumaya Tamang

Pasang Dorje Sherpa

Gyendra Thami

Nima Onchu Sherpa

Ang Gelbu Sherpa

It is our impression that this committee is much stronger than the previous, which didn't show much activity. We are convinced that this committee will be a much better help for the school.

We had a discussion with the Committee about their work. This discussion will not be discussed here, as it were merely guidelines. Next year we will discuss in the Committee about their experiences and work to make a report and working schedule.

Only one thing should be mentioned, the committee should bear in mind, that it isn't the teachers to call for regular committee meetings – it is the committee to call for meetings. And meetings should be held as closed meetings with no participation of other villagers as listeners and disturbers

The fabric for trouser/skirt were of best quality 60” wide and 45 meter long and price were in total 7.200 Rs – after manufacturing still 12,5 m were left, which means 48 students used 32,5 m, or each student used 0,75 m leading to a price on 120 Rs each student.

In total the price for fabrics for uniform were 240 Rs each student.

The tailor salary was 6.500 Rs which means 135 Rs each student.

The Committee shall convince the parents to do this work in a social manner in future.

There need to be done repair in the school, and this shall be done as soon as possible. The Committee shall set the entire repair in action. The entire minor repair will be paid by Rotary.

The bigger repair problem is the wall behind the school, which has broken down. This is due to a bad and weak construction from the very beginning. There was some misuse of stones for the construction. Rotary bought much more stones for the school than were actually used there. Therefore the wall was build too weak. If the misusers could be found, they should provide enough stones for a double wall. Anyhow the Managing Committee promised to rebuild the wall without costs for Rotary, and they also promised to build the wall stronger than before.

Last year 9 students attended more than 90% of schooldays. They were praised and given a khatak. This year 17 students attended more than 90% and 22 students attended more than 85%. Also this year they were praised and given a blue T-shirt and those 5 students who attended 99% were also given khatak. Next year the attendance list should be prepared before the arrival of Rotary members.

The Schoolmaster Bhimsen have until now never produced a written Curriculum for Rotary. He should do before next reporting in February and send it for Rotary.

The account were checked and found with only minor misunderstandings, which were corrected. One bigger issue was some irregularities about the reporting on the bank account. Therefore the bank account book shall be translated into English and send for Rotary at next reporting.

In future it was decided that Jangbu shall keep account on a daily basis, keeping the account all times updated.

Unfortunately it looks like I forgot the copies of the account when leaving Chhimbu. I shall be delivered by next reporting or as soon as possible.

An E-mail from “AKS” about misuse of villagers volunteer labor and Rotary funds were investigated and found without any reality. It is very good that villagers report irregularities when they think they find some, but it is also very fortunate that it can be shown off, giving extra security that the work of Chhimbu School is regular and without misuse.

Message were given for Skivehus Rotary Club to transfer money for fulfilling the Budget. On 19. November approximately 150.000 Rs were transferred from Denmark to Salleri Bank.

There were taken decisions on the works of the School, and these works were distributed among the teachers and the Committee. The Peon had shown very lack of activity during the year, so now a working plan has been produced for him. If he don't follow it, he shall be changed.

The School Tree Nursery appeared nice and well build. The trails inside the area are not used. The students walk on the ground. This shall be prevented. Weed are grooving up everywhere. It should be removed. The nursery plants looks very weak and dying. Mostly because of lack of care. There haven't been given fertilizer and during the Dashain it weren't given any water. Even after we mentioned this, nothing happened. So all in all the School Tree Nursery are not working satisfactory. Much more attention shall be paid to this project. It is supposed to be a Model for other schools, but now it looks like something not to talk about. This shall be changed.

In future all reporting should go through Himalayan Community Development Organization (HCDO) – the new office will be in Lazimpat shortly after Gangjong Hotel. Reports can be written in Nepali if more convenient, to be given for the Officer for translation and mail.

Conclusion: Chhimbu Primary School is well run and the teachers are doing an honest and sincere work, which we want to

Cleaning Blackboard

Going through Schoolyard and Tree Nursery

Taking all dirt

Cleaning toilet

Filling Water Bucket

SOME TIMES

Cleaning windows

Distribute letters for Committee and Teachers

IN HOLIDAYS

Giving water for Tree Nursery

Letter of 15. November 2004

Respected Sir!

Papa Kurt and Thoeger, Namaste again from Chhimbu. I hope are have a nice time in Bhimsen's house in Kinza, last night.

Dear Papa we forgot to mention the budget of sewing uniform charge on budget sheet, so this is my mistake to put on budget. I am very sorry about this budget. Please add the sewing charge of uniforms 44 sets Rs 6600. (Six thousands and six hundreds) with befor budget we had made in Chhimbu School.

Have a nice and safely back to home. Always the God smiling on you.

Yours regard, Jangbu Sherpa.

Mail 16. January 2005

dear papa heartly namaste

Now i am in Kathmandu. I am going to write just 2 point to you.

1. In salleri bank our account is empty.so we did not have salary. I think the money was not transfered untill now.Please give me message imidiatly.

2. Next is about children who had applicant for scholarship.You have not took the photograph before is Lakpa doma tamang.

So i will send you tomorrow through the coputer in your address.

Ok papa good bey for now.see you tomorrow.

pemba

Mail 16. January 2005

Dear Pemba!

I wonder how th e mail-address can be OK, as it is served from UK - but let's try.

1.) I am very sorry about the money. We really did try to transfer on 18. November something like 150.000 Rs for Salleri. But 28.

December I was contacted by my Danish bank, who told the money was rejected and came back again. The actual rejection point were New York, Citibank, but they didn't explain anything about the reason of rejection. They just said somethink like: they were not able to deliver the money for the Napali Bank. I then asked them to try again, and to have more details from Citibank in New York. We are all very truly sorry about this, but this is beoynd our reach.

What to do now? Tomorrow I will ask the bank again, how the transfer is going on by now.

What you could do is: Go to Rastriyani Bank and ask them what could be the problem.

Then let us communicate again what we find out.

2.) I have an application from Lakpa Doma Tamang. I did not write any and I have not received 2 from Chhimbu. Bin Daba...

1. The bank in Denmark still doesn't know what has happened - but we transferred the money once again 2 weeks ago, so probably this money is on the way for Salleri. Good luck with the letter from KTM bank to Salleri Bank. If you talk to the bank again, tell them to operate the fax right - this is second time they have fax-problems. You shall decide all teachers what to do in future. Shall we continue with Sallaeri Bank?

2. Good for Bhimsen, isn't it?

Yours Papa Kurt!

Letter 5. February 2005

Respected Papa Kurt 'Tashi Dele' 'Namaste'

I hope that you are well there. All of our school and Chhildren are well here. I arrived here in Kathmandu two days before. I couldn't send any reports through email or internet because of the political situation of Nepal. When I arrived here in KTM all the communication were cut by the government. It made us so problem. I am waiting till two days still didn't open. So I send the school report by the mail or letter shortly.

This period I have no longer report about our Chhimbu School. We did the winter holidays 20 days, 2nd Jan. 2005 to 22nd Jan. 2005. Now is running. Bhimsen will do the class upgrade work, because that's his duty or should do also. This period I have not any account of our school, because I don't have any new budget, but now Pemba have brought the paper of money collection of Salleri Bank. Thank you very much about everything. The curriculum is made by Bhimsen, how it looks please you can send to HCDO and they will send to us to Chhimbu. The bank statement of Salleri Bank is include with this letter, and the statement of Kathmandu bank is opening bank account Rs 3.000, deposited 137,292.38, withdrawn 137.000, now balance is 3,292.38. In this period it is not enough report, next three months after will be longer report and account in details. The problem conditions is made by the government's head. Because now here in Nepal the King self ruling over the country. Not only communications, the route of longer distance out of KTM also restricted for three days. Please Papa one of my sisters husband will send a email when open the internet. If you have some comments about or on this letter. Then he will send mo to Chhimbu as soon as possible. Thank you very much for the repairing of our peltricset machine, now very well to working. Please say to Mr Theoger to thanks a lot about the work and all the others also. The young boy Krishna is still not in our Chhimbu school he have admitted only 5 days 22nd Nov 004 to 7 nov. 004 at that time I gave him only 600 Rs rest money is still with me. Now he is sending him in Sagar Bakanje School. I gave the Salleri bank statement to Nangel Jangbu for scanning there. Still the internet is closing so tomorrow morning I am leaving for Chhimbu. See you in next period.

All the best wishes with your regard, Jangbu Sherpa, Kathmandu. I stayed here in Kathmandu till 4 days.

Primary Education curriculum structure

S.N.	Subject	Grade 1-3		Grade 4-5		Pass mark
		weightage	full mark	weightage	Full mark	
1	Nepali	8	100	8	100	32
2	Methematics	6	100	6	100	32
3	English	5	100	5	100	32
4	Physical Education	3	50	3	50	16
5	Social Studies & Environment Education (Health)	5	100	-	-	32
6	Creative & Expressive art	3	50	3	50	16
7	Environment & Health Education	-	-	6	100	32

2.	Mathematics			61p	DE			19p	DE			20p	DE			6p	DE			6p	DEO
a	Basic Mathe			21p	O			-	O			-	O			-	O				
b	1-100 Read & Write			8p	Rot			-	-			-	-			-	-				
					Rot				-												
3	English			20p	DE	-	-	-		-	-	-				8p	DE			6p	DEO
					O												O				
4	Physical Education																				
5	Social Studies & Environment Ed. (Health)			67p	DE			17p	DE			16p	DE			-				-	
					O				O				O								
6	Creative & Expressive Art																				
7	Environment & Health Education															9p	DE				
																	O				
8	Social Studies															8p	DE				
																	O				
9.	(Local subjects) English, OPT.																				
a	Headway pre-primer			20p	Rot			13p	Rot			14p	Rot			14p	Rot			13p	Rot
b	Headway work book			15p	Rot			6p	Rot			13p	Rot			-				3p	Rot
c	Capital letter			16p	Rot			-				-				-				-	
d	My best Alphabet			13p				-				-				-				-	
e	Learning with words			22p				-				-				-				-	

Books provided by: DEO (District Educational Office) or Rot: Skivehus Rotary Klub

:New Balance Books Statement for the Chhimbu School

Bhimsen Basnet

Headmaster

Mail 20. April 2005

Dear Papa, nameste, We wish you great happy new year 2062 and also wish great new year to all the person who are providing help to this school. The final exam of this school has completed and the result has been published. Now it's the time for new admission and we are sending you the progress report of the students . The report is attached herewith this message.

District Education Office has provided the scholarship for the following poor girls according to the SMC for this year and scholarship allocated for each student is 250 has been provided to them.

class 1 :Doma Tamang

class 2: Lakpa Doma Tamang Sanju Tamang

class 4: Sukumaya Tamang, Aiti Maya Tamang, Lomu Tamang

class5: Samjhana Thami, Sabitri Basnet, Suklaxmi Thami

total amount given by DEO :2250(for poor woman scholarship) Your suggestions and opinions are very much needed.

your's sincerely Bhimsen Basnet Head master

Mail 15. Maj 2005

Respected papa namaste, I hope that Mum and you are healthy thereand hope that all of Rotary members are well. How is Thoeger and please tell my best wishes for him.

I have arrive here in Kathmandu yesterday evening. Its two week later because i have been to Salleri for Training of Non formal adult education of our chhimbu. I have applied application to the DEO last January 2005. The training was about only 3 days.

The education period is only for 6 months and only is adult student are attending now the class is start at 6 pm to 8 pm. Only 2

This afternoon I will go to HCDO and meet with friends of there I ahve brought some report from Sagar Bhakanje school. The photos of furniture. They could not find the digital camera. ther and normal camera also not there. camera of our school is doesn't work.

This is the figure of desk and bench is designed by the Dawang Sherpa. Distrinct Engineer of Solu, He knows to you also.

I am stay here two more days so I looking for your reply as soon as possible . Thank ypu for every thing . All the best wishes for you with your best regards

Jangbu Sherpa

Mail 16. May 2005

Sorry Jangbu, I am late ansvering - and you are leaving so soon.

I am extremely tired now after 16 hours of hard work with laying bricks, but I will try to ansver some few point before going for bed. I hope tomorrow to be able to read all your mails carefull and reply it all.

Krishna Bashnet: his donor don't want to support him anymore, so please hold the money until I come in autumn. I hope I can swift the donor for another kid in Chhimbu.

Teacher salary: Let us discuss when I come in autumn. I will have to talk to the Rotary Club. Anyway, some news for the school. Rotary has decided to continue support for Chhimbu School for 3 more years.

Sagar Bakenje School: Is it really true that DEO has given permission to run class 8? What does it mean? Will they have to pay deposit for DEO? Will DEO immediately take over Nuru Jangbu's salary? Or will the appoint someone else? It is quite important that I very soon have some more informations about this, as Thoeger and I are still working on finding money for his salary - but still not succeeded. But tell Ang Dawa that we have found some money for toilet and also some money for furniture I will look at Ang Dawa's letter tomorrow.

Sorry Jangbu, I can't work any longer. I has to go for bed. Good Night, see you tomorrow.

Yours Papa Kurt!

Mail 17. May 2005

Respected papa, Namaste again I have got your mail reply. Thank you very much for everything.

We have not produce new uniform, that the account I have played to tailor which sewed in last Autumn the Fabric which papa have send (44sets) before you were in chhimbu. The sewing charge I have paid on Feb. 2005 because at that time we have not budget there. This year we have not ready for uniform fabric now. In the account Rs. 178 is plus which have made last 1st November 2004. With papa in Chhimbu. I have took scholarship from HCDO yesterday. Today I saw a scholarship agreement form of Bhim Bahadur Tamang I have print out it and I will take to Chhimbu. Papa's mail says that I should pay to him scholarship period of May 2005-July 2005. Is that right papa?

Yesterday I ahve not meet with Pushpa. I met with Namgel Jangbu in HCDO.

have got mail about tea. I will take it to Chhimbu. This year I am going to produce some tea plant. The tea plant which in our school is 50% will live.

I'm stay here just a day because papa will reply my report. The budget transfer in Salleri Bank is easier than Ktm. Bank for us. I am looking for your reply again as soon as possible. I know papa you are very busy there.

Your Best regard Jangbu

Mail 18. May 2005

Dear Jangbu! My time isnt so much better today, but now I try. Many greetings from Thoeger and best wishes.

First here is attached 2 files about Tea - one file about general and one about the sample which I brought back home from Bhimsen last autumn. Please print them and bring it back for discussion and suggestion.

I can see that you produced uniforms again in February. Were the ones we brought last autumn already worn out? How did the school management committe organize the buying of fabrics?

Your regards, Jangbu Sherpa

Mail 18. May 2005

Dear Jangbu! Thank you for your reply. It look like you didn't receive my first mail, since you didn't reply on it. Here it is again. Yes, it is right. Bhim Bahadur can start immediately from 1. May because you already have the money of Krishna's there. You can also tell Ang Dawa that I haven't received any list of laboratory equipment or any budget of furniture. We received budget on toilet. We will decide soon. As you are urgent and I am busy, I will just wait for your final answers, and then we will wait for next time with the rest. Thank you for your report, Jangbu, and many greetings and sweet wishes in Chhimbu.

Yours Papa Kurt!
