



Monitoring Report

Thamakhani Valley, Solukhumbu, Nepal

Projects: Pikey Secondary School, Jwala Mai Primary School,
Jwala Mai Loding Khola Hydro Power Project

14 August 2009

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In the course of Runner Service, on 14 of August, I have visited three villages respectively Loding School, Tamakhani School, and Boldog village to monitor our school reconstruction project and Electricity project. During my monitoring process I had an interaction with the School teachers, Construction Chairman and Management Chairman of the school, Jwalamai Loding Khola Hydro power project construction Chairman and members. Detail report on each project is:



Pikey Secondary School in Loding Village, Thamakhani ward 7

Reconstruction of Pikey Lower Secondary School, which was built in 1961 by Sir Edmund Hillary and burned down in April 2006, was supposed to be completed in October 2008.

After the fire incident Himalayan Trust, Hillary founded organization, and Sydthy Rotary Klub, District 1440DK have funded with sufficient fund for complete reconstruction. Project proposal and description were made in mutual understanding of reconstruction Chairman Krishna Gopal Rajbandari, Himalayan Project DK Chairman Papa Kurt and school headmaster Chet Bahadur Magar. Bishnu Subedi being representative of Rotary Club of Kathmandu had agreed the project description and they signed on project proposal on 12 October 2006 in Kathmandu. According to the project description there have been regular monitoring and reporting by Himalayan Project Nepal (Hipron) despite that project couldn't be completed within a timeframe, more over there was shown some discrepancy in the account. In 26 October 2008 the project was checked by Chairman and other member of HP and following sub projects were figure out to be completed. 3 weeks time was provided for the construction committee to complete them so that HP Chairman Papa Kurt could check them again in next round visit in November. Unfortunately none of them

were done in given timeframe. After repeated demands for the completion during the monitoring process some of following works are done.

Remaining work to be completed before 20 November 08 – situation by 14. August 2009:

I: TOILET:

A: Toilet pipes attached to <u>one</u> septic tank	done
B: Urine tank set up	not done
C: Glass in windows	done

II: FURNITURE:

A: 27 desks cross fixed	done
B: 13 desks produced	done
C: 40 benches cross fixed	done

III: SCHOOLBUILDING:

A: Mud behind school building removed below floor level	not done
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IV: ROADWALL repair	done but broken again
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V: STONES:

Justify the difference of last year account mentioning 56 piles of stones purchased and Papa Kurt measuring of 30 piles	not done
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IV: ACCOUNT	not done
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Road Wall

Road wall repair was done in last spring but again it was fallen along with the foundation in the monsoon. It was plunged down that has blocked the entrance of toilet and broken urinal tank which was placed near the toilet and not fixed. But it hasn't damaged any part of the toilet. School was planning to remove the mud away and reconstruct the wall with iron Gavin (net) to make it more stable. For that School has already applied to the District Development Committee.





District Education Office Building

The Building construction supported by District Education Office that was found not to have met the standard quality has repaired and now it looks better but still gap between wall and roof is yet to be filled. Krisna, the construction Chairman was evoked about it. I furnished detail information to the District Education Officer about it.

Mud behind the school Building

Mud behind the school building is serious concern for the wall ceiling. Due to the mud some ceiling plank got wet. I have reminded Teachers and school Committee for timely repair.

Front Garden

Front garden is full of grass around and no flower or plantation in the garden. It needs to be dig out and cleared and put better soil.

Jwalamai Primary School in Thamakhani Village, Thamakhani ward 5

Jwala Mai Primary School was built in 1990 by District Education Office (DEO) Solukhumbu. Ever since its establishment, DEO has been supporting with teachers' salary and Himalayan Trust, Hillary founded Organization, has been supplying with necessary stationeries. 4 teachers and more than 50 students are in this school. The school was in dire need of interior furniture,



children playground, science lab, toilet and repair of windows and doors of the existed building. In 2007 Padborg Krusa Rotary Club, District 1460, Denmark was approached through Himalayan Project Denmark (HP-DK) for the support. As a result project construction started for two years. During the construction regular monitoring and supervision were carried out by Himalayan Project Nepal, Rotary Club of Kathmandu and HP-DK for successful completion of the project. Despite the regular monitoring and supervision some parts of the project were figure out no to have completed. HP Chairman carried out its last supervision in 26. October 2008 and 3 weeks time was provided to Construction Committee to complete the project so that in next round supervision in November he could supervise the project as a completed project, but they are not done yet. Following are the remained project to be completed:

Remaining works to be done before 20. November but still not done by 14. August 2009

I: TOILET WORK:

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| A: Fine cement smearing in urinal and all the walls in urinal room | done but not properly |
| B: Toilet pipes connected to one septic tank | not done |
| C: Urine Tank set up and pipe connected | not done |
| D: Wastewater pipes leading water far away | not done |
| E: Water supply connected | not done |
| F: Gutter outlet leading water far away | not done |

II: SCIENCE LAB:

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| A: Furniture | |
| Glass cabinet | not done |
| Many shelves | not done |
| One heavy table | done |
| Six chairs | not done |
| B: Purchase of Science equipment | not done |

III: GUTTER

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| A: all roofs shall have attached gutters | done |
| B All gutters shall have outlet leading water far away | not done |

IV: OFFICE:

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| A: Many shelves on the wall | not done |
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Construction Committee was recalled once again to complete the incomplete project. He is also found to be committed for the project completion but I couldn't get any timeline when it can get shape of the final project. I also told Krishna that HP would follow up the project until the project take final shape.

Jwala Mai Loding Khola Micro-Hydro Project (JMLKMHP)

Brief introduction of the Project

Jwala Mai Loding Khola Micro-Hydro Project (JMLKMHP) is a project initiated by Tamakhani village people. This project has been possible when Australian International School Singapore donated Rs. 995.000 for electricity constructions purpose. On request of JMLKMHP detail survey and feasibility study has been conducted recently by Alternative Energy Promotion Center (AEPC), an organization funded by Government of Nepal under the Ministry of Environment, Science and Technology which comprises of 9 members, 7 representatives from Nepalese Government and 2 representatives from Private Sector (industry/ NGO). JMLKMHP approached AEPC for the support through Energy Sector Assistance Program (ESAP) run under AEPC by Nepalese Government in cooperation with Danish Government. ESAP is a program with total budget of 154 million DKK . According to the survey 21kw electricity can be generated from the river and total project cost will be Rs. 4.712.880 and the cost per kW is Rs. 277.228 The project would receive Rs 2.592.500 as subsidy to the JMLKMHP through the AEPC/ESAP. From this project 170 households will be benefited.

Donor and agreed contribution

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| • Australian international School Singapore | Rs.995.000 |
| • Village Development Committee Tamakhani | Rs. 200.000 |
| • Each households contribute Rs 6000 x 170 | Rs 1.020.000 |
| • Energy Sector Assistance program (ESAP) | Rs. |
| 2.592.500 | |

TOTAL: Rs. 4.807.500

Electricity capacity 21KW

Benefit area

- Tamakhani
- Mathung
- Pisung

Total household: 170

Potential use of electricity:

- **Agro-Process**
- **Bakery**
- **Carpentry**
- **Computer**
- **High Vision Hall**
- **Photo studio**

Project commencement date: **End of September 2009**

Iwala Mai Loding Khola Hydro Power Project Construction committee

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| • Bim Raj Bandari | Chairman |
| • Drama Tamang | Vice Chairman |
| • Bai Kaji | Secretary |
| • Krishna Raj Bandari | Treasurer |
| • Raj Dan Magar | Joint Secretary |
| • Sang Dorji Tamang | Member |
| • Budhe Tamang | |
| • Man Dorje Tamang | |
| • Sanu Kanchhi Bika | |
| • Rinji Sherpa | |
| • Bim Bahadur magar | |
| • Ngima Sherpa | |
| • Bala Kaji Magar | |
| • Dan Bahadur Tamang | |
| • Nima Dorje Sherpa | |
| • Bibu Tamang | |

Accounting: As a Treasurer Krishna is responsible to handle the cash, Bai Kaji is Responsible for proper record keeping and all the comittee members are responsible for checking account in time to time



Mail 19-07-2009:

Dear papa, Please find the attachment file of Jwala Mai Loding Khola Krishna Dai bring this file at HIPRON and request to send it to you. He write some information related to this Project. This Project is of Micro Hydro-Power. Krishna Dai had Collect Rupees 580.000 from villege. Singapor International School Project Donate Rupees 995.583. From Subsidy Rupees 2.592.500 Unadiquit amount is rupees 544797 which he expect from you And Total Project cost is Rupees 4.712.880. He is waiting for your reply.
Yours Ambika

Mail 20-07-2009:

Dear Papa Namaste, Good morning, We are fine here; hope you are also fine there. I am missing for a long time u so I am sending you mail. I have not a lot words to say you. Thanks for your suggestion of Thamakhani Hydro Power. We found there some downer for Hydropower. You also know that from Namgel. Little bit money problem hope u will help us. Thank you very much. Takecare and have a good day
Krishna, kg.shrestha@hotmail.com , cell: 9743001096

13. September 2009:

Dear Krishna!

Thank you for your mail and for your informations. It is lucky for you, that you have now found almost all donors for the Hydro Power Project.

The Rotary Club which supported the reconstruction of Loding School, Sydthy Rotary Klub, are actually interested in this hydropower project, and might be convinced to support it.

But personally I am not so sure how far I want to work on this project. Because I am not so much satisfied with the conclusion of our two former school projects. Still the last details of the projects haven't been completed. And I am actually wondering how a whole valley can ask for help to build such a big Hydro Power Facility, when they even can't complete some very much smaller issues about the two schools. I feel it is just like the population is just stretching out their hand, expecting donors to fill it with money.

I will not be able to work with this Hydro Power Project unless the population of the valley show that they can make the two former projects complete.

And I can see that you are Treasurer, supported by Bai Kaji and under the leadership of your brother. But in the two school projects none of you were able to show me a proper Account. So how can I expect that the account on this hydropower project will be done in a proper way?

You still should be able to reconstruct the accounts of the two schools, so please do so before I will visit Solu.

So my conclusion is: If you can show me a decent, clear and honest **ACCOUNT** on the two school projects which is set up in a way which is easy to check –

And if you can show me that all the **REMAINING WORKS**, as mentioned above in Namgyals report, are completed and concluded in a sufficient and satisfactory way –

Then I will visit Thamakhani Valley and negotiate with you about how we can help you to complete the Hydro Power Project so it will be 100% complete.

My legs are no better than before, so I will only walk the way into Thamakhani if I can be sure that it is worth it. So you will have to come to me when I arrive in Phaplu in mid November to show me your results.

I know you will find me some tough, but it can't be different, because I will have demands on you before you can demand on me.

Anyhow, Krishna, however you succeed to make your fellow villagers work on the projects or not, I will be looking forward meeting you in Phaplu to have a nice chat on our old lasting friendship.

Yours Papa Kurt!