# Pikey Lower Secondary School, Loding

# Project Monitoring Report Submitted

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## Sydthy Rotary Klub, District 1440, Denmark

Project : Extention of playground, toilet and a new building construction

Propose : Project Monitoring Date : April 4, 2008

Location : Loding, Tamakhani-7, Solukhumbu, Nepal

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### **Preface**

- Pikey Lower Secondary School was built in 1961 by Late Sir Edmund Hillary (first ascender of Mt. Everest).
- Government is supporting with the teacher salary since its establishment
- In 2005 RRN (Rural Reconstruction Nepal (DFID organisation)) and Himalayan Trust (the organisation supporting Hillaryøs project) supported by giving wooden ceiling in this new building and new furniture for the whole school
- The main building of the school of Loding Village burned down in April 2006
- In June 2006 a Rotarian from Rotary Club of Kathmandu, Rtn. Bishnu Subedi visited Sydthy Rotary Klub, District 1440, Denmark with two Rotarians from Skivehus Rotary Klub, District 1440, Denmark Rtn. Thøger Berg Nielsen and Kurt Lomborg
- On 01. August 2006 Rtn. Bishnu Subedi visited the site in Loding giving a fresh report.
- In September Sydthy Rotary Klub expressed that they were ready to proceed in funding the project of reconstruction, as soon as details were available.
- On 11. October there was a meeting in Kathmandu with Chairman of School Construction Committee Mr. Krishna Gopal Shrestha, Headmaster of Loding School Chet Bahadur Magar, rtn. Bishnu Subedi, rtn. Kurt Lomborg, External Consultant Namgyal Jangbu Sherpa
- This meeting resulted in a preliminary report submitted to Sydthy Rotary Club, Denmark.
- Reconstruction started and the naked and empty building was completely finished in December 2006
- In 2007 Roofing, constructing play ground, interior decoration ówall ceiling side ceiling and roof ceiling and furnishing were done
- In April 2007, this school was supervised by two Rtn of Rotary Club of Kathmandu and two Danish young men.
- In December 2007 Same School was inspected by Himalayan Project Chairman Kurt Lomborg and express dissatisfaction over the irregularities that occurred in the course of construction.

#### Compound wall at the roadside



There hasnot been much progress in this school from the last autumn. Only new thing has happened that is; a compound wall for the school protection, which is 49 m. long ½ m. wide and 1m high in average and foundation is 0.3 m. deep. Also an entrance gate has been built.

## **Furniture**

Krishna showed me 36 benches and 36 desks. Among them some didnot look to be newly made but Krishna was arguing that all they are newly made. That is ok, but they are not as strong as they have to be. They seem not to be long-lasting as they have been joined with iron nail only; depending on the nail may not long last. They should have been fixed making hole and joined with nail but that hasnot been done.

Krishna also informed me that 1 computer table has also been made but I couldnøt see as it is locked inside the headmaster room.

2 Locking doors of the earthquake resistance building have also been replaced with new one although they were not included in our agreement. As Krishna



says that it is necessary to do and get done with from next budget

# **Toile**

Toilet construction is almost finished but still many important things have left to be done with toilet. First of all plastic pipe connection between toilet pan and septic tank hasnøt fixed efficiently. It needs to be done again immediately. Krishna has well understood about it and promised to do immediately. Water supply to the toilet hasnøt connected and urinal tank hasnøt put.



# Small garden

Wall for the small garden is being constructed. It seems to be taking sometime to be completed. When wall construction is completed students will make the garden and plant the



## Expected time for the completion of the total project

According to Krishna, the Construction Chairman, entire project can be expected to be done within 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008 as there is not much thing left to be done. He is very much wanted to hand over this school to the School Management committee at the earliest possible by completing everything.

### Progress of the education standard of Pikey Lower Secondary School

Pikey Lower Secondary School (PLSS) is being upgraded to secondary school. This has been possible when Sydthy Rotary Club and Himalayan Trust magnificently supported for its physical reconstruction after it was burned down in fire accident. From this academic session Pikey Lower secondary is planning to run class nine. For that, District Education office (D.E.O) has provided one more subsidy teacher and also Village Development Committee (V.D.C) has allocated 350.000Rs. for teacher salary. VDC also gave assurance to allocate Rs.350.000 every year. School Management Committee (SMC) is planning to impose education fee to the students of above class 5 and education fee will Rs. 60/month for class 6 students, likewise Rs 70 for class 7, Rs. 80 for class 8, Rs. 90 for class 9 and Rs.100 for class 10. To run P.L.S.S as a Pikey Secondary School (PSS), nearby secondary schoolsø permission is required and it has already got such permission from Junbesi Secondary School and Jana Jagriti Secondary of Salleri considering that students of Pikey Lower Secondary have to go far from home to have the Secondary school education and also considering the number of the such students in this school are quite high.

To run this school as a secondary school, each teacher for maths, science and for English are required. Management Committee of this school and teaching staff are seeking the candidate for the subject.

Last year there was training organized by Rural Education Environment Development (READ), Australian INGO. Chet Bhadur Magar had approached them for the support. And they became successful to make friendship between Singapore International Secondary School and Pikey Lower Secondary through READ. So, last December 16 students with 4 teachers and 3 parents visited this school and given assurance of teacher salary support.

