

## Himalayan Project Nepal

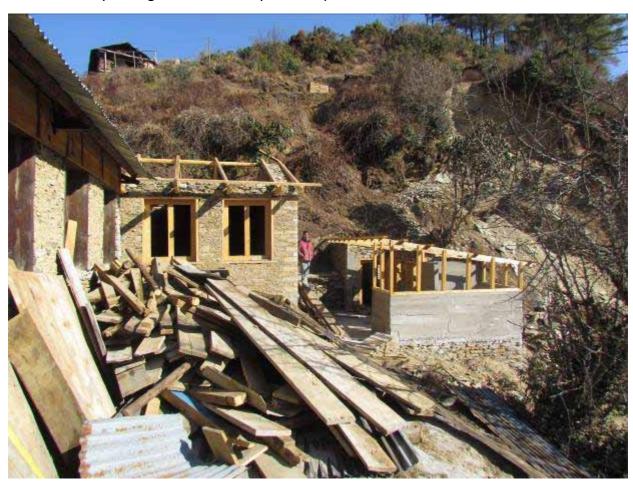
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## Monitoring Report 30. January 2012 Ringmu School Reconstruction

Ringmu -9, Taksindu, Solukhumbu by Namgyal Jangbu Sherpa

## To: Sydthy Rotary Club and Padborg-Krusaa Rotary Club with Helene and Bonnik Hansens Fond

On 30 February, I visited Ringmu School and checked up the site of the construction while the construction was stopped for the time being due to cold. I met Phu Gyalzen, the contractor and discussed with him about the progress of construction. According to him as well as according to my checking, most of the construction is completed as per the project description. Outer structure of the classroom and toilet except roofing is completed. The quality and size are according to the standard of HP-DK demanded in the Project Description. The upper part of the foundation of toilet is well connected to the foundation of classroom with heavy RCC all the way making both foundations very strong. There was very narrow place for the construction of toilet. In addition,



the surface of the ground was very uneven. So the wall of urinal room is made up of combination of iron net, cement, sand, and crashed stone instead of cut stone wall to make strong, rest of the wall is made of stone. Septic tank is under construction.

The house of new classroom is well built. The combination of good quality stone and mud has tightened the wall together; in addition, heavy RCC has added durability. According to Phu Gyalzen next step of the construction will be roofing of toilet, classroom and afterwards he goes for interior decoration. As to the floor of new classroom, it is mentioned stone floor whereas Phu Gyalzen proposes cemented floor. He said cement floor would be cheaper and there would be no significant difference in terms of durability. He therefore wants to take suggestion from HP before he start working on floor.

To continue the rest of the construction, tin roof, cement and wood are already at the site; consequently, he is planning to complete the construction in April.

Perhaps, teacher resident with training centre room construction will begin right after the completion of our project. "Himalayan Education Initiative", the organization funded by Don Worsham, an American and Ian Milhous, former teacher in Australia want to build house for teacher hostel, room for science lab, computer, library and sewing centre, all in one. They are working for fund raising for the purpose. Indeed it is a very good Idea of them. The most of the teachers are from far distant. And they have difficulties to get accommodation in the family house in the village. Moreover, having separate library and computer room will definitely help in organizing the class.

Regarding the payment of construction of our project, the school has received NPR 461.634 in its bank account for the first instalment and school made the payment of same amount to Phu Gyalzen. Now he is expecting the second instalment of payment, which by this time is confirmed, has arrived at Rotary Club of Kathmandu, and should be on the way for school account.

Having checked the progress of the construction while being there, I am satisfied with the progress done so far. Additionally, I am quite assured by dedication and hard work of the contractor.

Kathmandu, 10 February 2012 Namgyal Jangbu Sherpa Managing Officer HIPRON

