

Sagaramatha Primaray School Construction Monitoring Report, 08 April, 2011 Sagardanda, Bakanje 6, Solukhumbu By Namgyal Jangbu Sherpa

Padborg-Kruså Rotary Klub, District 1460, Denmark, the donor of the Sagardanda School construction project, about the progress of construction. The school construction, which has included toilet construction, ceiling, furniture and stone floor in 6 rooms of 3 buildings, was started in late autumn 2010, soon after first installment of the funding support had been transferred. The buildings were built by District Education Office Solukhumbu 2 years ago. The construction works are given to the villagers on contract which is maintained within the proposed budget. It has created a good opportunity of job to the people of Sagardanda, which can help to increase their



income.

On 16 February 2011, I and Janaki Khadka, the administrative officer of HIPRON, jointly checked the progress of construction of toilet, wooden ceiling, stone floor and furniture and found them all on smooth progress. The construction hasn't reflected the skill of the worker in the construction but stability is there, which is very important. One reason of not having skilled job in the construction is that school employed simple villagers of Sagardanda, not skilled worker from outside.

The work of toilet construction, which is on the way to complete, is found to have been done very good. The quality in the construction and used materials have met the standard of Himalayan Project, however, there is mistaken with roofing. It has not been put on in right way and that looks not straight. It needs to be reroofed to make it look more attractive. We have asked them to reroof the toilet. There was supposed to be put a water tap at the behind wall of toilet for public shower house, which will be built later, but they deliberately have not done as it would be easier for them to fix latter. They planned to fix pipes outside of the wall so that one can easily repair when necessary.

They have completed three rooms: class 2, 5 and office room, with stone floor. The quality and heaviness of the stone is very good, and work of the flooring is satisfactory. There is seen some gap in between one stones to other but it can't be fixed in better way. The stone slates for rest of the floor have been transported, and flooring in rest of the classrooms is in progress. The contractor, Bijuli Basnet, said that flooring work

would be completed in April 11, before new session of the school starts.

The wooden work: putting ceiling on the wall of nursery classroom and office room has been completed. Some wooden cupboard, tables and chairs were being made for office room. The rest of wood works are also under construction; planks for



rest of the classroom ceiling have been transported. 4 carpenters are working on carpentering work. It was expected to be completed ceiling and other furniture work in April as work goes as smoothly as planned, Headmaster Hom Bahadur said.

The contractors were paid off their first installment of payment and they are now expecting for second installment payment. School has asked for the transfer of second installment so that the constructors could pay for the workers.

During our monitoring of the construction we found the progress of the construction satisfactory and on smooth progress. So, we recommend to the donor in favor of second installment transfer. It will help to keep same pace of progress in the rest of the construction of Sagardanda School to complete in the stipulated time duration.

