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Report on Upper Solu Fire Brigade

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Phaplu-Salleri

During my stay in Phaplu, I had talk with different people about Fire Bridge. Mr. Ang Nima Lama said that, he had tried what he can do but nothing happen so had almost loose his interest. I had talk with Ang Dawa Sherpa, and show and translate her the document where all picture and equipment needed for fire Brigade was mentioned. I found that, she shows her interest on the issues after reading the documents. The reason I had talk with her is, she is member of parliament and have some position in government, As a result makes me assure that, she will proceed forward the issue in CDO, she was also in doubt that, Nepal Government may not give permission for the Vehicle which is more than 20 years old. But anyhow, she will try her best. According to Ashok Thumlung, in phaplu no Fire brigade committee is not formed yet, it seems that they were not active sufficiently.

Junbesi

We discussed about fire Brigade with Pasang Lama in Junbesi. I had handover and translate the document which was forward from Papa Kurt, He was really very happy and thankful for fire brigade because some month ago his house was caught by fire that was started from his kitchen. I was success to fire off with the help of fire brigade. They had committee in the village which was responsible for the fire brigade.

He was very interested to have more fire brigade hand pumps in future in their village and handover us the name list of the committee members of Tashi Taget group. Where they had mentioned the board members name which is as follows;

Name

Post

Karma Lama
Pasang Lama
Chhungba Lama

Chair-Man
Member
Member and others

Bakanje VDC

We talk about fire Brigade in Bakanje and Sagardanda, they had formed the fire bridge committee, but they were not actively participating as there is nothing wrong happening. They handover the name list of committee member and we had translate and showed the picture in the document.

In other villages of Bakanje VDC, they were not active and less interested but enjoyed the picture very much. It seems that, they had less knowledge of importance and usefulness of the fire bridge or they were not conscious about the effects of fire. So, maybe we could give them the training on importance and utility of on that issue and make them realized that, by the help of water hand pump, they can save the human loss, resources and property during firing.

Conclusion

In future, if we were going to distribute more hand pumps in any place, we can show them some videos and pictures of fire shocked as a documentary of the same area or other places, then, they might understand the importance of hand pumps. In most of all places, women were completely unaware and unknown about hand pump. They even don't know what hand pump is. So in future, if few women could participate and have training, it might be fruit full for the village.