



- Project** : Reconstruction of Pikee Lower Secondary School
- Purpose** : Supervision
- Date** : April 14 to 19, 2007
- Location** : Loding, Tamakhanió 7, Solukhumbu, Nepal
- Supervised by** : Rtr. Baburam Khadka (*Community Development Director, Rotaract Club of Kathmandu*)

Background

Reconstruction of Pikee Lower Secondary School, which was built in 1961 by Sir Edmund Hillary and burned down in April 2006, is underway. For the reconstruction of the school, Sydthy Rotary Klub, District 1440, Denmark has funded a total amount of Rs. 785,500.

The school is a government funded school and has become Higher Secondary from 2006. That means the school teaches from one class to 8 class. There are a total of 156 students studying at the school.

After the reconstruction of the school, the local community has expressed gratefulness to Sydthy Rotary Klub. They had not imagined that school would be beautifully reconstructed within a year. The students had performed a cultural program to express their happiness.

Since the local community does not have electricity, they have requested to seek possibility of receiving fund to construct small hydropower at the village. The electricity will not only help to prevent deforestation in the area, but also enhance productivity of the community.



Opening ceremony of school



Cultural program performed by students to welcome guests and celebrate opening of the school

Progress

Progress of the project as agreed for the funding has been elaborated below:

1) Extension of school compound

The proposed activities of extending the school compound by leveling the upper terrace is almost complete. Leveling of lower terrace is partly completed. Since furniture and other wooden works are being done in the lower terrace, remaining leveling will be initiated after completion of the wooden works. The school has already completed 2 feet extension in height of the upper terrace wall, cutting of trail from road to the school, two stairs between upper and lower terraces and extension of wall of lower terrace.

Terrace has been cut away to build wall at western end of playground as well as the wall at the road and entrance. For the construction of wall, enough stone has already collected at the school.

2) Wooden ceiling and walls

Covering of ceiling and walls with wooden plank in two rooms is underway, while other classrooms are already completed.

Though the school is tin-roofed, the students won't suffer from heat in the summer and cold in the winter after covering walls and ceiling with wooden planks. In addition, they won't have disturbance while raining.

The ceiling has been covered with the wooden plank in such a manner that light passes easily into the classrooms but classrooms are insulated from heat and cold.



3) Construction of Toilet

Construction of two- room toilet with a provision of a separate room for boys and girls has recently been completed. Each toilet room has separate pits as well. The school has already installed 500 liter water tank but proper sewage system yet to be made. The toilet has also a prepared space at the roof of the toilet to install solar heater later on.



The furniture being used for both teaching and social events at the school.

4) Furniture for student and teachers

Some of the furniture for students and teachers have been made. Making of remaining furniture is underway. The furniture is not only used for teaching students but also for organizing cultural events and other activities of the school.



5) Educational Materials

School has purchased necessary educational materials such as wall sheets, maps and books. School is yet to purchase science equipments. Some of the educational materials are being displayed at classrooms, while others are being placed at office room of the school. The educational materials are being used when necessary.



Danish volunteers paying visit to the school