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Mrs. Ingrid Versen, chairwoman of Sir Edmund Hillary Stiftung, Germany with Sir Edmund Hillary

*It is not the mountain we conquer
but ourselves.*

- Sir Edmund Hillary

11th Anniversary of Sir Ed marked

The executive board, honorary member, general member, mayor of Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality, ward representatives and staff met at Himalayan Trust Nepal (HTN) office, lit butter lamp and offered khada to Sir Ed's portrait to commemorate the 11th Anniversary of Sir Ed's demise on the 11th January 2019. On that very day, an interaction programme was organized between the local government representatives, HTN board members and staff at HTN office for expanding the collaboration.



Chairman of HTN, Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa and Honorary member of HTN, Mrs. Phurba Sona Sherpa offered Khada to Sir Ed's photo.



Chairman of Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality, Mr. Nima Dorjee Sherpa offering khada to Sir Ed's portrait



Interaction held among the local government representatives, headmaster of Khumjung school and HTN board members and staff at HTN office

Team building workshop conducted



HTN board members and staff during the team building workshop at Nagarkot.

A two-day team building workshop was organized by the Himalayan Trust Nepal for its board members and staff on the 1st and 2nd of February at Nagarkot. The workshop was conducted applying Appreciative Inquiry (AI) approach. The main objective of the team building exercise was to understand the strengths and weaknesses of each of the members and strengthen inter personal relation and cooperation among the team and perform better in order to achieve organizational goals.

Thame school hostel construction project kicked off

Mr. Dipu Sherpa has been appointed as Field Supervisor to implement the Thame School hostel construction project at Thame Basic School in Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality. The hostel construction project has been kicked off from the 1st of March. American Himalayan Foundation (AHF) and Thame Sherpa Heritage Fund (TSHF) are jointly funding for the construction of the hostel. The hostel is planned to provide accomodation for 24 students from next academic session.



The foundation of the Thame hostel has been laid

Miss Elizabeth Hawley Scholarship awarded

Ms. Srijana Rai of Khotang district has been awarded Ms Elizabeth Hawley Memorial Master's in Journalism degree Scholarship 2019. The scholarship is being funded by the American Himalayan Foundation (AHF) through HTN. The main purpose of this scholarship is to support and encourage one Nepali female student to develop her professional career in Journalism to contribute to Nepal's media and communication field.



Computer lab operation training completed

A comprehensive computer lab training was jointly organized by the EduTech Nepal and Himalayan Trust Nepal from the 8th to 10th February 2019 at Janajagriti Secondary School, Salleri of Solududhkunda Municipality. The main objective of the training was to enhance skills of computer teachers to operate and manage computer labs properly and to maintain software and hardware parts in an effective manner. HTN in partnership with EduTech Nepal has installed seven computer labs in different schools of Solukhumbu District in an effort to impart computer-based education to the students.



Teachers actively participating in the computer lab training in Salleri.

Child friendly furniture supported

Himalayan Trust Nepal provided child-friendly desks, benches, carpets and cushions to Janakalyan Basic school, Juving Secondary school, Saraswoti Basic school, Takshindu Secondary school, Dipjyoti Basic school and Junbesi Secondary school. The furniture was delivered by Himalayan Trust Nepal's Teacher Training Coordinator, Mr. Mahendra Bahadur Kathet and Teacher Trainers, Mr. Ishwor Man Rai and Mr. Bishnu Kumar Rayamajhi at Phaplu on the 2nd of March 2019. The furniture was made in Kathmandu and transported to Salleri by the Trust.



Child-friendly furniture transported to Phaplu from where it was handed over to the schools

Ambassador of Slovak Republic visits HTN office

His Excellency, Mr. Ivan Lanari, Ambassador of Slovak Republic visited Himalayan Trust Nepal office in May, 2019 to understand about Himalayan Trust Nepal projects. On that occasion, he also assured the Slovak government's funding support for Monjo Drinking Water Project. His excellency made the visit on request of HTN chairman Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa.

Himalayan Trust activities being aired

Himalayan Trust Nepal has selected Himal FM and Solu FM to broadcast its project activities through radio programmes. The programme is being targeted to provide wider education to various stakeholders throughout Solukhumbu district. The radio programme has been run under the School WaSH project funded by Grand Circle Foundation (GCF). The radio programme mainly focuses on sharing of information and news of Himalayan Trust Nepal activities, generating awareness and informing the people of the villages regarding water, hygiene and sanitation. The program is broadcasted once in every month.

Consultation workshop conducted in Kathmandu

A consultation workshop for the preparation of Khumjung School management plan was successfully conducted on 4th of March 2019. The workshop was organized by Khumjung School Management Committee (KSMC) and Himalayan Trust Nepal. The main purpose of the workshop was to meet with different stakeholders and discuss about the preparation of a long-term result based management plan with the aim of delivering and imparting quality education to the future students of Khumjung School.



Participants of Khumjung school management plan workshop

S-WaSH Project Update

The progress of School Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WaSH) project in Chheskam, Pelmang and Bung is taking pace swiftly. The physical progress of toilet construction and drinking water project at Chheskam is 90% completed. Likewise, in Pelmang the construction of the toilet and drinking water is gradually progressing. 15% of the work is complete. As for the drinking water project at Bung, the local materials has reached the project site. The WaSH project is funded by Grand Circle Foundation (GCF) from USA.



Toilet building in Chheskam
Secondary School



Polythene tank at Chheskam



Incinerator in Chheskam Secondary
School



Reservoir tank at Chheskam
Secondary School



Tap at Chheskam Secondary School



Project site at Pelmang

Continuous Assessment System (CAS) Update in schools

As part of the School Based Teacher Training Programme, Education Coordinator, Mr. Mahendra Bahadur Kathet and Teacher Trainers Mr. Ishwor Man Rai and Mr. Bishnu Kumar Rayamajhi are currently visiting schools in Solukhumbu District and evaluating the effectiveness and proper implementation of Continuous Assessment System (CAS) in the schools.



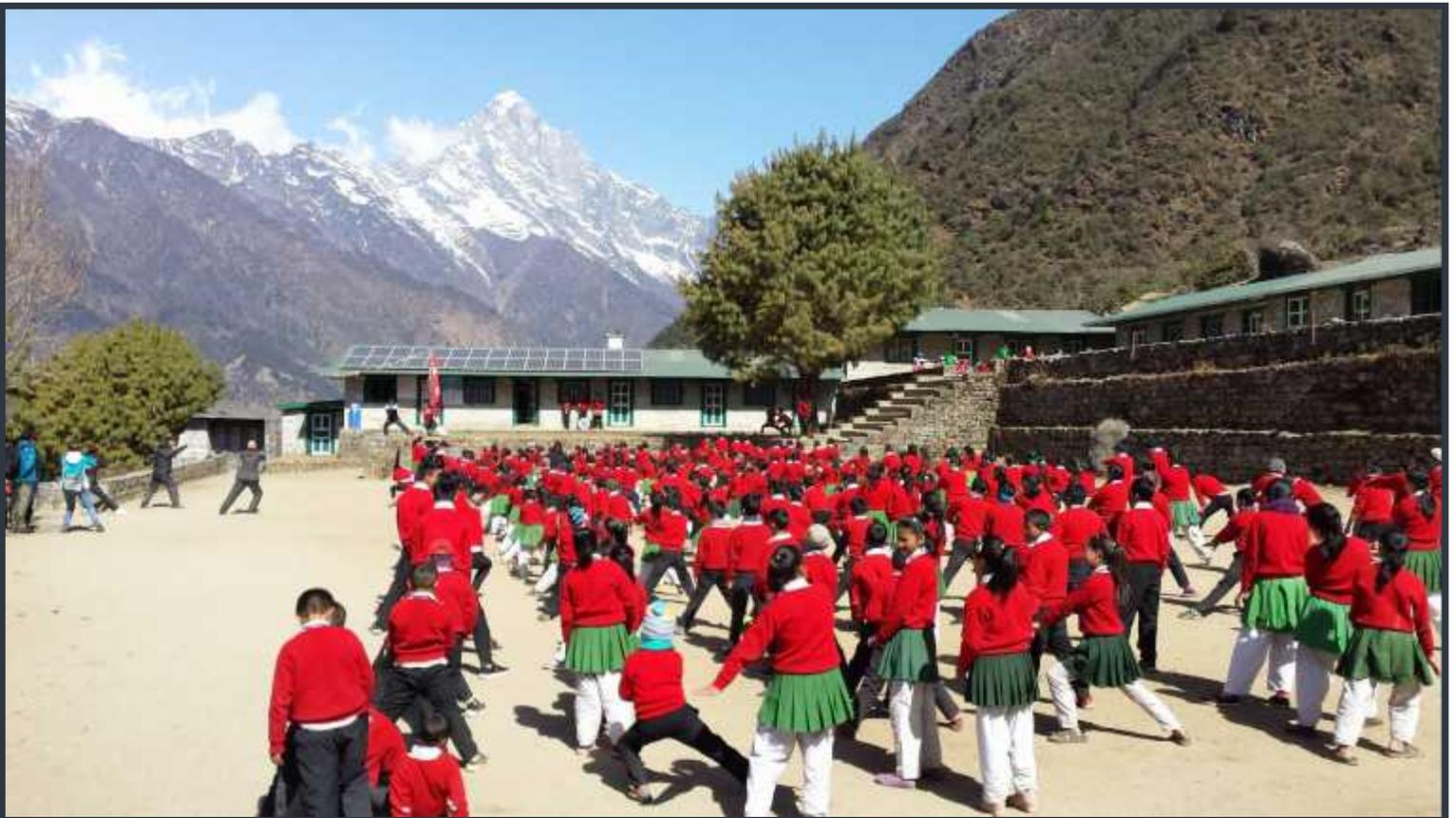
Children attentively listening to the teacher and studying

MFAT reviewed the education programme of HTN

The CEO of Himalayan Trust Nepal, Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa visited Khumbu schools along with delegates from Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), New Zealand and General Manager of Himalayan Trust New Zealand, Mr. John Loof, to evaluate the education programme conducted by HTN from 15th to 23rd March 2019. MFAT delegates from New Zealand reviewed the HTN education programme in Solukhumbu.



The MFAT Team and General Manager, Mr. John Loof from New Zealand along with CEO of HTN Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa during their visit to Khumbu schools



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