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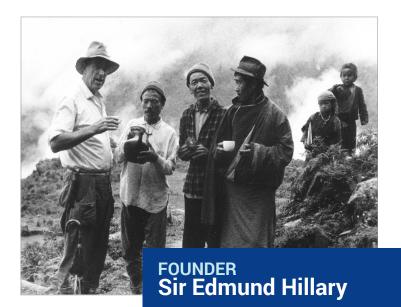
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Mr. Manfred and Mrs. Brigitte Braml, board members of Sir Edmund Hillary Stiftung (SEHS), Germany visited Himalayan Trust Nepal office on 12th October 2022. SEHS, Germany has been supporting Phaplu Hospital, Bung, Salyan and Sotang Primary Health Centres in the Solu region through HTN. They trekked to Khumbu and visited Phaplu hospital, Monju Community hall, Khunde hospital and Khumjung school.



⇒ Mr. Manfred and Mrs. Brigitte Braml with Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa and Mr. Lhakpa Tenji Lama (Sherpa).

#### **HTN Team Visits New Zealand**

A team of three members Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa (Chairman), Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa (CEO) and Mr. Lhakpa Tenji Lama (Programme Manager) of HTN visited New Zealand from 14-26 October 2022. The objectives of their trip was to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Board Meeting of Himalayan Trust New Zealand which was held on 22 and 23 October 2022 in Auckland.

The HTN team shared the progress of HTN activities and discussed on the future plans and priorities.



HTN team with Mike and Sheryl Chisholm of EduTech Nepal.



HTN team attended a meeting at Lincoln University.



⇒ HTN team with Board members of HTNZ.

During their visit, the team also visited Christchurch, Geraldine and Mt. Cook and met the members and supporters of Himalayan Trust, which included founders of EduTech Nepal, Trustee members of Forgotten Sherpas of Nepal Trust and professors of Lincoln University.







 HTN team attended a meeting at Sarah Hillary's residence regarding Sir Ed Visitor Center.



 $\Rightarrow$  HTN team with the Trustee members of FSNT.

### **Scholarships Awarded:**

## • The Greater Himalayas Foundation Scholarship

The Greater Himalayas Foundation – Honoring the Legacy of Mingma Norbu Sherpa provides annual scholarships to deserving students who graduate their School Education Examination (SEE) from Khumjung Secondary School. Ten students (8 girls and 2 boys) have been selected for this year's scholarship. Out of 10 students, 9 students are selected to pursue their high school level (grade 11 & 12) education in Kathmandu. One female student has

been selected to pursue her Bachelor level education.

Mrs. Phurba Sona Sherpa, Chairperson of the foundation interacted with the old and new scholarship recipient students at the Himalayan Trust office on 15th October 2022. The details of students are provided in the following table.

S.N.	Name of student	Gender	Subject	
1	Ngima Lhamu Sherpa	Female	Education (English major)	
2	Tenzing Dolma Sherpa	Female	Management (Computer Science)	
3	Phurba Phuti Sherpa	Female	Management (Computer Science)	
4	Mingma Doka Sherpa	Female	Management (Hotel Management)	
5	Ang Yenden Sherpa	Female	Management (Business Studies)	
6	Pemba Tenzing Sherpa	Male	Management (Computer Science)	
7	Soniya Rai	Female	Management (Business Studies)	
8	Sonam Yangji Sherpa	Female	Management (Hotel and Travel Management)	
9	Tsering Sherpa	Male	Science (Physics)	
10	Smritee Kala Rai	Female	B. Sc. (Hons) Computing	

## • Dr. Tshering Wangdi Sherpa Scholarship

Mr. Dawa Tshering Sherpa and Ms. Pasang Chhiki Sherpa have been successful to receive Dr. Tshering Wangdi Sherpa Scholarship for 2022. Both of the students graduated SEE from Khumjung Secondary School and are pursuing their high school level education in Kathmandu. Dr. Sherpa has been funding the scholarship annually through The Greater Himalayas Foundation to HTN.



Students interaction programme held at Trust office.

#### Sir Edmund Hillary Memorial Scholarship

Himalayan Trust Nepal has been awarding Sir Edmund Hillary Memorial Scholarships to three SEE graduates of Khumjung, Mahendra Jyoti, Kharikhola, Taksindu, Junbesi, Pike Loding, Bhakanje and Juving schools of Solukhumbu to pursue their high school level education. First girl, first boy and

#### **Ethnography of SEHMS Recipient in 2022**

S.N.	Ethnicity	Male	Female	Total
1	Sherpa	1	5	6
2	Rai	3	7	10
3	Magar	3	-	3
4	Sundash	-	1	1
5	Katwal	1	-	1
6	Bhujel	1	-	1
7	Tamang	-	1	1
8	Jirel	-	1	1
	Total	9	15	24

one socially and economically marginalized girl or boy gets the scholarship. This scholarship has been funded by Himalayan Trust New Zealand and New Zealand Aid Programme. The following table displays 8 different ethnicities with more girl students who received the scholarship.

#### George Lowe Memorial Scholarship

The George Lowe Memorial Scholarship for this year has been awarded to Mr. Biyog Kirat Kulung and Ms. Tara Devi Kulung of Sagarmatha Secondary School, Bung to study Health Assistant (H.A.) and Management subjects respectively. Mary Lowe has been funding this scholarship in memory of her late husband George Lowe every year through Himalayan Trust UK to Nepal.

#### The Mary Lowe Scholarship

The Mary Lowe Scholarship for this year has been awarded to three female students, Ms. Jyoti Kala Rai to study Health Assistant (H.A.) course, Ms. Tashi Lhamu Sherpa and Ms. Pasang Phuti Sherpa to study Bachelor in General Science and Bachelor in Education with English major in Kathmandu. The grant for the scholarship has been funded by Himalayan Trust UK (HTUK) in honour of its Trustee member Mary Lowe.



⇒ Ms. Jyoti Kala Rai (H.A)



Ms. Tashi Lhamu Sherpa (B.Sc. General Science)



Ms. Pasang Phuti Sherpa (B.Ed. English)

#### Bachelor Level Scholarships

HTN through the funding of New Zealand Aid Programme and Himalayan Trust New Zealand has been able to set up bachelor level scholarships to the students of Solukhumbu. The scholarship has been awarded in two different categories shown below:

1) Khumbu Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipality (KPLRM) and Himalayan Trust Scholarships for the students of the Khumbu region. Five (4 female and 1 male) students from KPLRM were successful to get the scholarships. This scholarship is a joint initiative of KPLRM and HTN. KPLRM covers 60% and HTN covers 40% of the scholarship fund. The scholarship amount covers tuition fees and partial living cost. Students need to bear additional cost of living. Out of the 14 available seats, only 5 seats were fulfilled this year. 2) Himalayan Trust Bachelor Level Scholarship for the students of Southern Solukhumbu, Ms. Resha Sundash and Ms. Sharmila Ranapal have been successful to receive Himalayan Trust scholarships to pursue Bachelor in Dental Surgery and B.Sc. Nursing courses. As part of the Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu (QEPS), HTN awarded 15 scholarships to the students of Southern Solukhumbu in 2020 to 2022.

S.N.	Name of student	Permanent address	Subjects
1	Ms. Arati Rai	KPLRM-01, Paiya	B. Sc. Agriculture
2	Ms. Mingma Chhamji Sherpa	KPLRM-03, Chaurikharka	Bachelor Tourism Management
3	Ms. Pasang Kanchhi Sherpa	KPLRM-04, Phortse	Bachelor Mountaineering Studies
4	Ms. Pemba Jangmu Sherpa	KPLRM-04, Khumjung	B.Ed. English
5	Mr. Pasang Ngima Sherpa	KPLRM-02, Lukla	Bachelor Law

**Table 2: Himalayan Trust Bachelor Level Scholarship for Southern Solukhumbu** 

S.N.	Name of student	Permanent address	Subjects
1	Ms. Resha Sundas	Solududhkunda-01, Nunthala	Bachelor Dental Surgery
2	Ms. Sharmila Ranapal	Solududhkunda-11, Tingla	B. Sc. Nursing

#### **Peter Hillary and Team Visits Nepal**

Himalayan Trust New Zealand Chairman Mr. Peter Hillary, General Manager Mr. Alexander Hillary and Marketing Manager Mr. Casey Hemingway completed 12 days field trip to Solukhumbu from 4-15 November 2022. The HTNZ team was accompanied by HTN Chairman Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa, CEO Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa, Programme Manager Mr. Lhakpa Tenji Lama and Computer Lab Monitoring Officer, Mr. Nava Bahadur Bhujel. Similarly, Founder of EduTech Nepal Mr. Mike Chisholm and CEO Mr. Ashok Dalli joined the team at Namche Bazar.

The main objective of their trip was to monitor the progress of the project activities supported by HTNZ and to reconnect with the communities in Solukhumbu. The team began their monitoring

trip from Bung of Mahakulung Rural Municipality Solukhumbu and travelled to Sotang, Mapya Dudhkoshi, Khumbu Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipalities and Solududhkunda Municipality.

During the visit, the team visisted 22 schools, 3 hospitals, 3 clinics and 1 water supply project.



⇒ HTNZ/HTN team at airport before flying to Bung.



⇒ The team at Bung.



The team visited Thame Basic School



⇒ Thame Forest Nursery.





- ⇒ HTNZ, HTN, AHF and EduTech Nepal teams local leaders attended a dinner programme at
- ⇒ Namche.



⇒ Namche Dental Clinic visit.



⇒ Dr. Kami Temba Sherpa welcoming Peter Hillary and his team at Khunde hospital.



⇒ Students of Khumjung Secondary School ready to welcome Peter Hillary and team.



 $\Rightarrow$  Visit to the Sir Ed Visitor Centre in Khumjung.



⇒ Pema Chholing Monastery visit in Thulo Gumela.



⇒ HTNZ & HTN team made a courtesy call to KPLRM office in Chaurikharka.

#### **Computer Lab Inauguration**

Mayor of Mahakulung Rural Municipality, Mr. Surya Bahadur Rai, HTNZ Chairman Mr. Peter Hillary and HTN Chairman Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa jointly inaugurated the computer lab installed at Sagarmatha Secondary School, Bung on 4th November 2022.



⇒ Computer lab inauguration programme held in Sagarmatha Secondary School, Bung.

Likewise, Chairperson of Khumbu Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipality Ward No. 5, Mr. Pasang Gyalzen Sherpa, HTNZ Chairman Mr. Peter Hillary, HTN Chairman Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa, Founder of EduTech Nepal, Mr. Mike Chisholm and President of American Himalayan Foundation (AHF), Ms. Erica Stone jointly inaugurated the computer lab installed at Himalaya Basic School, Namche on 11th November 2022.



⇒ Computer lab inauguration programme in Himalaya Basic School, Namche.

#### **Uniform Distribution for School Kids**

With the financial support of Dani Humphrys, a trekker from Bulgaria, Himalayan Trust Nepal distributed uniform set at Yuba Barsa Basic School, Monjo. Mr. Peter Hillary, Mr. Alexander Hillary, Mr. Casey Hemingway and Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa distributed 46 sets of school uniform to the students and 8 sets of tracksuits to the teachers on 12th November 2022 during their Khumbu visit. The uniform set for the students included track suit, shoes and 2 pairs of socks whereas track suit and sweater were included for the teachers.



Mr. Peter Hillary handing over the uniform set to a student.



Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa handing over clothes to a teacher.



Mr. Alexander Hillary handing over the clothes to a teacher.



⇒ Mr. Casey Hemingway handing over the uniform set to a student.



⇒ Students wearing the uniform set.

HTN procured the regular drug supplies for Patle Clinic, Okhaldunga. The procurement of the drugs and operation of the clinic has been supported by the Forgotten Sherpas of Nepal Trust, New Zealand since 2018. The clinic is being operated by a Health Assistant and an Office Assistant.



## **School Based Teacher Training Programme (SBTTP)**

Mr. Bishnu Rayamajhi and Mr. Ujwol Bhomi visited the schools of Khumbu Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipality Ward No. 3, 4 and 5 whereas Mr. Abin Maharjan and Mr. Ishworman Rai visited the schools of Khumbu Pasang Lhamu Rural Municipality Ward No. 1, 2 and 3 from 1st to 14th November 2022.

The objectives of their visit were focused on facilitating the implementation of Grades 1-3 Integrated Curriculum, use of evaluation record book, and portfolio management. Furthermore, the visit also focused on providing follow up support on Grades

6-8 Centre Based Teacher Training content sharing, developing Model Question, use of Specification Grid, Rubrics, Assessment and support the evaluation and assessment techniques for grade 4 and 5 to the schools.



Education Training Officer Mr. Bishnu Rayamajhi facilitating teachers of Monjo School in record keeping of Grade 1-3



 Education Training Officer Mr. Ujwol Bhomi facilitating on evaluation technique of grade 4 & 5 in Pema Chholing BS, Ghat



⇒ Education Training Officer Mr. Ishworman Rai facilitating student's evaluation for grade 1 – 3.



Educattion Training Offier Mr. Abin Maharjan facilitating on grade 6 -8 students' evaluation.

#### **Literacy through Integrated Learning (LIL)**

The LIL team made their field visit to some of the major schools of Sotang, Mahakulung and Mapya Dudhkoshi Rural Municipalities from 1st to 15th November 2022. The objectives of their visit were to support teachers in the classroom activities, coding the reading books, ensure proper use of Home Reading Log Book, collect project based necessary data, handover National Children's Day competition prizes, meet with head teachers, SMCs, PTA, rural municipality education unit for effective implementation of the programme in school level and most importantly ensure whether continuous evaluation system is being implemented in schools or not.



LIL Education Field Officer Neelam Chand with Grade 3 students of Janasudhar BS, Chheskam.



 LIL Education Field Officer with students and teachers of Narkel BS, Sotang.



Students at Narkel BS, Sotang learning to greet with Namaste.



Parents at Amarjyoti BS of Mapya Dudhkoshi RM facilitating in children's hygiene and sanitation.

#### **Hospital Facility Upgraded in Khunde Hospital**

HTN purchased hospital necessities including ICU manual bed with mattress, cardiac monitor with touch screen, lead jacket and bed side locker and transported to Khunde hospital. The operation and management cost of Kunde Hospital has been supported by the American Himalayan Foundation and Himalayan Trust New Zealand.



⇒ Hospital equipments ready for dispatch.



⇒ ICU manual bed installed in Khunde hospital.

#### **Repair and Maintenance in Namche Dental Clinic**

The dental equipment of Namche Dental Clinic such as dental chairs, water retraction valve, water pipe, air pipe, carbon brush assembly, joystick of foot control, suction bottles and tubes, LED dental light driver sensor, LED with heat sink drainage tube, hanger valve confident were repaired and maintained by a technician hired from Kathmandu.

water, Apex locator NSK, Dents ply ultrasonic scales tip, pro tapes next etc. were procured. The clinic remains closed for winter as water frees and cannot operate the dental equipment.



#### **School Uniform Distribution in Debisthan Basic School**

HTN distributed school uniform to the students and teachers of Debisthan Basic School in Mapya Dudhkoshi Rural Municipality – 05, Grenaphu in the presence of Mr. Gaurab Rai and Mr. Jitendra Yadav, Deputy Chairperson and Chief Administrative Officer of Mapya Dudhkoshi Rural Municipality, SMC Chair, teachers and parents. This support has been possible through the funding support of Kinderhilfe Nepal e.V., Germany in reccomendation of HTN Chairman Pasang Dawa Sherpa.



School uniform distribution programme held in Debisthan Basic School.

#### **Sotang Hostel Construction Project**

The inner plastering, plumbing, false ceiling and electrical installation work of dining hall of the new hostel building in Birendra Jyoti Secondary School Sotang is complete. Currently, the outer plastering work of the building is progressing. UPVC windows of dining hall and main structure has been ordered from the manufacturer.

This construction project has been jointly funded by the Grand Circle Foundation (GCF), USA and Sotang Rural Municipality. The new hostel building will have the capacity to accommodate 24 students each.



#### **Sir Ed Visitor Center**

The display materials such as television and monitors which were brought from New Zealand has reached Khumjung. The installation will be done after the winter season.

The visitor center will be inaugurated on 29 May 2023, on the auspicious occasion of 70th Anniversary of the first successful Everest Summit.

#### **Annual Review Meeting at CEHRD**

An annual review meeting of Himalayan Trust Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu (QEPS) was organized at the office of Centre for Education and Human Resource Development (CEHRD) in Sano Thimi, Bhaktapur on 9 December 2022. The meeting was chaired by the Director General of CEHRD Mr. Chhodamani Poudel and attended by the Deputy Director General Mr. Rudra Adhikari, directors and department chiefs of the CEHRD.



⇒ Review meeting at CEHRD Office.

HTN Programme Manager Mr. Lhakpa Tenji Lama (Sherpa) presented the progress of QEPS at the meeting. He made a power point presentation of the QEPS progress for the period of 16 July 2021 to 15 July 2022. The Director General, Deputy Director General and Directors of the CEHRD appreciated Himalayan Trust for the continuous support in improving the education quality of Solukhumbu district. They also appreciated for the extension of programme areas throughout the district. HTN's Education Advisor Mr. Mahendra Kathet and Education Training Officer Mr. Bishnu Rayamajhi also attended the meeting.



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