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# A model school in the worst hit earthquake zone

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### SHREE GANESH BASIC SCHOOL Bhotenamlang Village, Paanch-pokhari

Thangpal Rural Municipality Sindupalchok District, Nepal



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# Project Report

Shree Ganesh Basic School was established in the year 1992 AD. The school had been running Grade 1-8 classes catering to young students of Bhotenamlang Village Development Committee (then). The 2015 Nepal earthquake that shook the nation with a magnitude of 7.9 rector scale the school was completely destroyed. Government investigators labeled the building with Red Sticker deeming it unsafe for any kind of use. The Seven Summits Women Team through their non profit wing- Global Inclusive Adventure Org. immediately rented adjacent land and built a temporary bamboo shelter where the students studied for over two years through harsh conditions of monsoon rains, winter cold and summer heat.

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#### Current Statistics

Total no. of students:

142

Grade:

Total no. of teachers: Out of nearly 600 schools in the Sindupalchok district, all were destroyed or damaged. The district was worst-hit in the earthquake killing over 3000 people. 39 people had lost their lives at Bhotenamlang village. With majority of traditional mud-brick thatched homes shaken to debris and most schools destroyed, young students were too scared to go back to school. The parents were occupied in restoring their houses, leaving the young students even more vulnerable. Sindupalchok had for long had a bad reputation of being a hub of girl trafficking. Following the earthquake, reports of trafficking were on the rise. In the second big jolt of May 4 2015, many parents complained that they did not even know where to look for their children. The villagers did not have a safe place to gather and coordinate efforts. The bamboo and tin classrooms built by the Seven Summits Women Team provided a safe space for students to learn. Studies resumed. However, the makeshift school was only a temporary solution. It did not provide protection from the heat and cold. During monsoon, the earthen floor became soggy if not a mud-pool. And the infrastructure was a reminder of the poverty and post-disaster trauma. Communities, the entire nation and the government was still struggling to cope with the magnitude of disaster in October 2015. Rebuilding was at best slow to come. The quick decision making and prompt action surprised the community when Nepal Green Tara Foundation started the work.



It took two long months to bring down the entire destroyed old school building. The foundation work needed a month long work, particularly to ensure earthquakesafety standards. The work was halted by long monsoon months when the roads became inaccessible. However, with untiring efforts of the crew, leadership of Nepal Green Tara Foundation and support of Nepalhilfe Tirol - Prof Wolfgang Nairz the construction continued.

Before the second anniversary of the earthquake, the school was ready with a modern, permanent, earthquake-safe building that included 11 rooms, 3 toilets, compound barrier, new school furniture, and uniform for each student. Smart Paani Pvt Ltd provided bio-sand filter and drinking water station. Students moved to the new building by April 2017. Prof Wolfgang Nairz, his team of friends from Nepalhilfe Tirol, NGTF leaders Tashi Tenzing Sherpa and Bandi Nima Sherpa, District Education Officer Gauri Shankar Pandey, formally inaugurated the new building of the Shree Ganesh Basic School on 10 November 2017. Mr Pandey remarked that the speed and quality of reconstruction work demonstrated will serve as an example in the region. With Shree Ganesh Basic School is the first school in the region to be rebuilt, he said that the school serves as a model for the entire country. The young students shared that they finally felt safe in the new school building. The teachers mentioned that with the new building both the faculty and students were able to focus on education unlike in the previous two years when they had to constantly manage the nature induced challenges.

The challenge is now to turn this new building into a quality education center. Being a government school, it runs on low resources. The school needs better curriculum, teachers for English & Science, computers, library and supplies for sports, music and arts.



#### Financial Information

## **DONATIONS** Our special thanks to Nepalhilfe Tirol

#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

DONOR OF THIS PROJECT	Amount NPR currency
NEPALHILFE TIROL VEREIN ZUR	6,351,352.50
NEPALHILFE TIROL VEREIN ZUR	6,468,843.00
NEPALHILFE TIROL VEREIN ZUR	4,330,158.90
NEPALHILFE TIROL VEREIN ZUR	2,124,994.50
Total Donation Received to Nepal Green Tara Foundation account in Nepal	19,275,348.90
EXPENDITURE FOR THIS PROJECT:	R 9 19
<ol> <li>Shree Ganesh lower Secondary school construction (including desk &amp; Bench and staff toilets + student toilets)</li> </ol>	13,135,151.00
2. Administration cost	3,5050,69.78
3. Transportation, repair and vehicle hiring charges	475,000.00
4. Project monitoring and evaluation cost & student sponsorship & teacher sponsorship to different schools & other social work	1,425,000.00
5. Fund raising expenses	385,128.00
6. Engineering and Consultancy Fee: Space Model work Pvt Ltd.	3,50000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	19275348.78
Surplus	0.12

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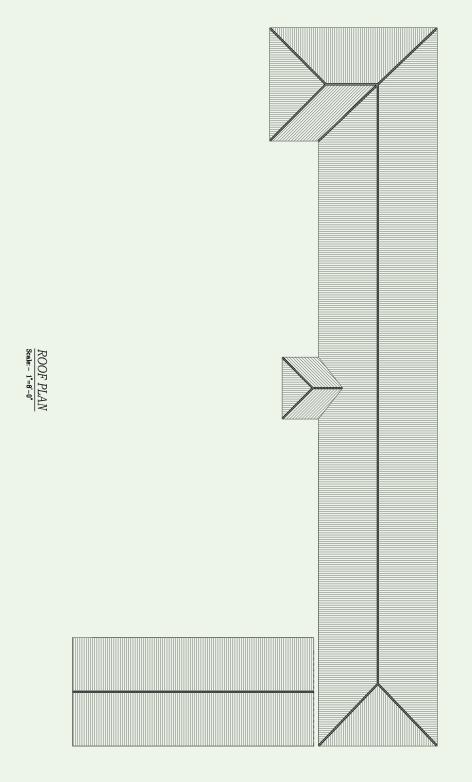
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# Expenditure for this Project in Detail

No.	Description	Amount NPR Currency
1	Purchase of land for school building	300,000.00
2	Dismantle work & Ground clearing	572,000.00
4	DPC & foundation work: stone soling, pcc, stone wall etc	1,365,000.00
5 63 73	Tie beam column & ppc	923,932.00
5	Structure brick wall	1,278,000.00
6	Plaster interior wall	560,000.00
7	Floor soling & concrete work with punning	458,454.00
8	Pointing work exterior brick wall	379,687.00
9	Fall ceiling, wooden frame &4 mm plywood	348,240.00
10	Door frames salwood	148,200.00
11	Door panel	193,100.00
12	Toilet works-boys, girl, staff separate	927,000.00
13	Electrical works-piping, wiring, power socket, MCV, Main switch, light fitting	525,000.00
14	Painting work-interior wall primer coat, distemper paint, enamel, exterior emulsion with primer	431,329.00
15	Compound wall-foundation, stone wall, brick wall etc	638,000.00
16	Ground surfacing work, interlock, block or stone dust	765,840.00
17	Metal work roofing, gate, fence bar	1,981,528.00
18	Desk bench, teachers furniture	1,339,841.00
	Total project cost	13,135,151.00

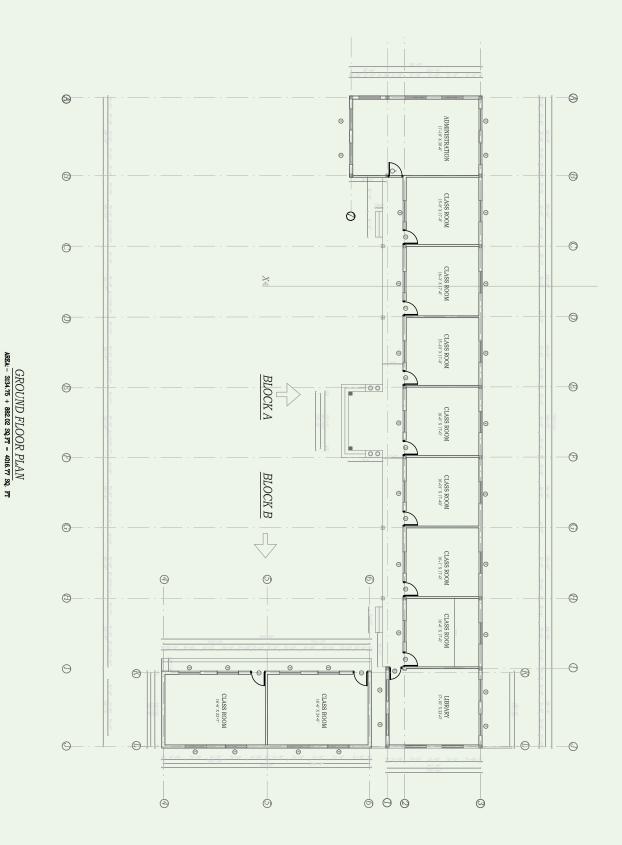
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# Roof & Floor Plan











## Mix Photos of the Work in Progress:

## Drawing Building Structure and its Measurements

Work stared 25 December 2015 first to demolish the old earthquake building and make bamboo classrooms for the children to study.





































## Opening Day: November 10 - 2017

Our Chief Guest Professor Wolfgang Nair and his Friends **President of Nepalhilfe Tirol -Innsbruck Austria**.



















Date: 10 November 2017

Attention: Ms Nirmala Silwal Head Master Shree Ganesh Adharbhut Lower Secondary School Paach Pokhari, Thangpal, 7, Bhotelamlang Sindupalchok Nepal

## Ref: Hand over of School letter to Head Master and Village of Paach Pokhari, Thangpal, 7, Bhotelamlang- Sindupalchok

Dear, Head Master, Ms Nirmala Silwal, The President, Devraj Gurung & The Children of Shree Ganesh Adharbhut Lower Secondary School.

It gives us great pleasure from Nepal Green Tara Foundation to officially hand over the New School Building including New Toilet, Boundary Wall, School Gate, New Desk and Chairs for all Class Room, 2 Solar Lights, School Uniform for all the students and all the furniture's for the new school building.

We have also purchased 470.98 sq Meter. (Anna 0-14-3-1) land in the name Shree Ganesh Adharbhut Lower Secondary School.

WE hope that you will take good care of the school for the future and work honestly and give the children of Shree Ganesh Adharbhut Lower Secondary School a good quality education for their future.

Yours Sincerely

CEO & FOUNDER NGTF: Tashi Tenzing Sherpa

PRESIDENT: Bandi Nima Sherpa

