

# ► Namdo School

## 2020 School Report

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Tashi Delek !

The year 2020 was a tough and challenging year to all of us. Covid-19 hit globally and creates a Pandemic globally. School, colleges, factories and many institute are closed as per government rules.

Here in Nepal, the first death occurred on 14<sup>th</sup> May. A country wide lockdown came into effects on 24<sup>th</sup> March. Because of Corona we Namdo school wasn't able to run the school. The children there at Namdo were unhappy and began to worry about their classes.

The whole nations was in lockdown and people were badly effected by virus but not Dolpo. As a solution the local government allowed upper dolpo school to open the school by taking full preventions. And as per local government order the school started. Happy faces of children, excitement reach next level. With full dedication from teacher and student the school runs officially on month of June.

As we planned to open the school officially on April we weren't able to. We loss 2 month by pandemic. The teacher have extra responsibility to finish their courses on stated time. Extra classes were taken to reach target level.

Not only classes there at Namdo, Covid-19 creates a bad impact on construction of new school building. By which the construction work didn't started at actual time, materials didn't reached at time.

2020 year was challenging year but we faces the challenges and fight against it. I am thankful to all the members of Schulverein Lo-Manthang for giving us hope. A huge appreciation to Bhawi Nepal for being a medium between Schulverein and us.

Yungdung Tsewang Gurung  
Project Coordinator

## Introduction:

Year 2020 runs with 109 officially admitted student and 6 irregular not admitted student. The irregular or not admitted student are too young. So they didn't attend school regularly.

Eight teacher and 3 volunteer student from Bhawi Nepal took classes' up to end of November.

As the school runs late due to Pandemic, this year more extra classes were taken to recover the lessons.



The senior student have to take 7 different subject (english, math, science, social, nepali, tibetan & health). Whereas junior ones needed to attend compulsory subject only. Health subject is additional subject to grade 5 and 6.

Like every year the student need to attend two exam i.e. First and Final Examination. And their final result will be evaluating from both exams.

The average marks from both exams are calculated and the result are prepared.



Every year extra curriculum activities are done here at Namdo School. Games, dances, arts and different competition are done here at school.

Extra curriculum activities play vital role in development of children physical and mental too. Our children actively involved in this kinds of activities.

Teacher here teaches different curriculum activities.



### Health Facilities:

Along with educating the childrens there at Namdo, every year the clinic runs to served health facilities to the people of Namdo. This year two qualified nurses look after the people there at Namdo.

As Komang village doesn't have any specific health person. Two of them time and again visited Komang and other places.



Every year Nepal Government provide immunization program. A government health staffs brings necessary immunization for children below 5 years and they are given required immunization at Namdo. Along with immunization, mother of baby were given health talk.



### Dental Camp:

We are very thankful to Joanne Richardson of Australia for her dental toothpaste and brushes for our children here at Namdo. Like every year first children are given dental classes. Demo classes are given to younger children.



Toothache is the common diseases seen here at upper dolpo. It is because here the people arent aware about cleanliness of tooth. Along with it childrens are given chinese chocolate and other items from the very beginning. By which toothache were highly seen during older age. We are very thankful to Joanne by your toothpaste and toothbrushes, our children here are able and happy to brush their teeth. Thank you from all of us.





### **Construction of New Building:**

As we are in need of new building, this year by help of Schulverein Lo-manthang and local government we are able to have new 7 prefab classroom.

I personally give my whole time for construction program. Reed Nepal Engineer Raju Magar and his team did wonderful work during this hard time.



It took around 3 months to finished 7 classroom. Parents and local participation plays vital role for the whole task. Parents help in collecting sand, stone, gravel and other local materials for construction. For construction good quality of sand was challenging to us. For it parents took one day walk up to Nyisal (place) for good quality of sand.



### **Challenges:**

It was a huge challenges to all of us. During the whole construction process, for certain period of time the children doesn't have proper classrooms.

As an option tent were used as a temporary classroom. During the monsoon it was quite hard for all of us. Heavy rainfall cannot be faced by tent.

Taking classes during monsoon was quite challenging. Teacher work so hard to manage classroom.

School Management Team help managing tent for using temporary classrooms. Four huge tent were used as temporary classroom.



### **Furniture & Flooring:**

New building was made but somehow I find interior of classrooms are lacking. Desk, benches, chair, tables are requirements to school.

We are very thankful to Fiona for her furniture & flooring proposal.

After I got confirmation of her proposal I started to work on budget estimation and other work.



We give contract for making furniture to two local carpenter of Namdo. They took around 25 days to finished 27 set of desk benches, a bed and 4 rack for office and clinic.

Still of rest of work are left as winter started working is impossible. Rest of furniture work will be starting in upcoming 2021 year.



At clinic to manage the medicine, rack or shelves are very necessary. For clinic Dolpo style rack and a bed for patients was made.



For kindergarten classroom, wooden flooring was necessary for small children. We started flooring work with help of Reed Nepal Engineer but it didn't work well. So once again we need to work on it to have a long lasting flooring.





### **Lunch meal and additional power supply:**

We are also thankful to Peter Werth (Himalayan Current Inc) for his continuous lunch meal program and additional power supply.

Last year Tashi and I proposed Peter Werth for additional power supply. He easily accepted our proposal and here we have two 100 watt solar and two 100 AH battery.



Two 100 AH new battery at power house



Two 100 Watt solar at terrace of power house.

As Peter Werth installed power supply at year 2016 for the first time at Namdo. But more power were required to Namdo School for official machines and others. Last year during winter the power goes down and it create a problem.

To run printer the power wasn't enough hence we prefer to have additional power. Now new additional power are installed and are working well till now.



Every year by help of Peter Werth and our NGO Scholverein, lunch program runs. The student were given Lunch at school. To run the program smoothly parents involved and helped by doing cooking once or twice in a year. The raw food like rice, lentil and vegetables like potatoes and spinach are collected from parents and are cooked and served fresh lunch to the children.

Thank you Peter Werth for Lunch meal and additional power to Namdo School.

### Winter class:

After end of 8 month classes at summer from April-November, Namdo school has been running 3 month winter class. It is very necessary to have winter classes during winter.

For revision of summer classes and preparation for upcoming summer class winter class is necessary.

For the first time winter class was started on year 2016 by the sponsorship of respectable Tulku Dawa Rinpoche. From year 2016 to 2019 he continuously supported us. We are very thankful to his contribution for winter class program.



Tulku Rinpoche send letter to us stating that he will not be able to continue from this year 2020. It was a very sad news to all of us.

As Winter class helps in building strong academic level of student. We find out to keep on continuing it.

I have personal experience of winter class. On year 2016 for the first time I got chance to run winter class with two of my colleagues teacher.

This year Winter class had already started without any sponsorship. The School Management Committee have little budget and 2020 year winter class will run with 75 student, 4 teacher and 2 local cook girl.



As there will be around 60-70 student coming for winter class. The children will be having hostel facilities. We managed to keep 4 teacher and 2 cook for winter class.

Raw food will be collecting from children and are provided with hostel facilities too. As winter is too cold hostel is requirements for easy process.



The whole school family are thankful to Tulku Dawa Rinpoche for his winter class contribution till 2019 since 2016 year. Now we don't have any sponsor and we are in need of new sponsor for winter class. We will be very thankful for sponsoring winter class from upcoming year.





**Conclusion:**

As 1<sup>st</sup> phase construction has finished successfully we all are excited for 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of construction too.

The whole team are planning for adding 3 more classroom and 4 separate toilets for children. We hope it gets success like 1<sup>st</sup> phase.

We the whole Namdo school family would like to thanks all the donors for construction of new building.

As we all are still going through this pandemic time and we pray and hope it gets normal very soon.

We are so much thankful to all the donors for their continuous contribution to our children there at Namdo.

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I would like to thanks Schulverein Lo-manthang and Bhawi Nepal for giving a continuous support and motivation during this hard time. Your suggestion and ideas helps a lot every time there at Namdo. A huge thanks to Tashi sir for being a medium between Namdo school and Schulverein Lo-Manthang every year.

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## Namdo School Finanzreport 2020

Ausgaben 2020	Betrag in CHF
Lehrerlöhne + Koch und Hausmeister	19706
Lehr- und Arbeitsmaterial für Lehrer und Schüler	2705
Transsportkosten inklusiv Transport und Verpackung in Kathmandu	2902
Schuluniformen, Schulsäcke	3305
Medikamente	565
Instrumente, Spiele, Fahnen etc.	247
Verschiedenes	1269
<b>Summe</b>	<b>30699</b>

Gesamthaft wurden **CHF 31905** überweisen.

Zusätzliche Ausgaben von **1206 CHF** sind für die Schulbibliothek und für die Inneneinrichtung der neuen Schulzimmer entstanden, beides mit zweckgebundenen Spenden finanziert.

Gegenüber dem ursprünglichen Budget sind die Transportkosten angestiegen, einmal Corona-bedingt und zum anderen durch das Material für die Schulbibliothek.

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