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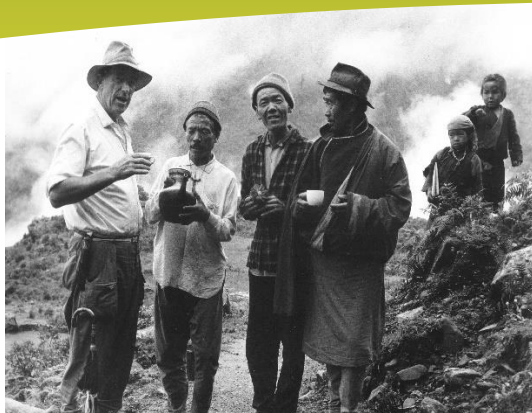
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Sir Ed with Sherpas bearing chang and a petition for a school.

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JAN-MARCH, 2021 HIGHLIGHTS:

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The Greater Himalayas Foundation Scholarships

The Greater Himalayas Foundation (TGHF) provides annual scholarships to deserving students from Solukhumbu, who have passed their SEE. The scholarships honor the legacy of Late Mr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa. The recipients of this year's TGHF scholarship are Ms. Mingma Doma Sherpa, Ms. Pemba Jangmu Sherpa, Mr. Pemba Dorjee Sherpa, Mr. Pasang Kazi Tamang, and Mr. Finjo Sonam Sherpa. The scholarship will support the students in pursuing their high school education in Kathmandu.

Jointly, a new scholarship supported by the generosity of Dr. Tshering Wangdi Sherpa, based in the U.S.A., was provided to Ms. Furba Yangji Sherpa to pursue her high school education in Kathmandu.

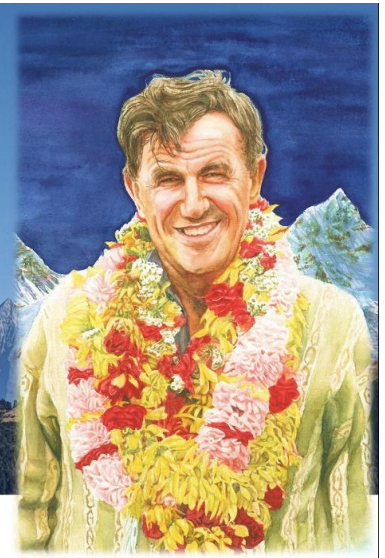
Commemorating Sir Ed on His 13th Death Anniversary

The 13th death anniversary of Sir Edmund Hillary was observed on 11th January 2021. Himalayan Trust Nepal (HTN) organized a program at Hotel Pension Vasana, Kathmandu to commemorate Sir Ed for his great humanitarian efforts to support the people of Solukhumbu. The program was attended by board members, honorary member, general members and staff of HTN. On this day, the board meeting made decision on the selection of petitions submitted upto January 10th.



REMEMBERING SIR EDMUND HILLARY

January 11, 2021
Kathmandu, Nepal



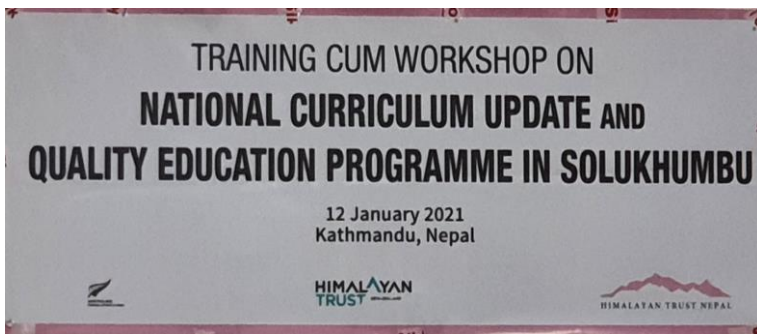
(July 20, 1919 – January 11, 2008)



13th Death Anniversary of Sir Ed observed in Kathmandu.

National Curriculum Update and Quality Education Programme

In the context of recent changes in Nepal's school-level curriculum, HTN organized a one-day "Training cum workshop on National Curriculum Update and Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu" for its team members and representatives of partner organizations in Kathmandu on 12 January 2021. The sessions were facilitated by the resource persons Mr. Ganesh Bhattarai, Mr. Rudra Adhikary, and Mr. Purushotam Ghimire of Curriculum Development Centre (CDC), and Mr. Prem Krishna Aryal, Education Programme Consultant of Himalayan Trust New Zealand. The workshop concluded successfully with lively interaction between the resource persons and the participants .



Training cum workshop on National Curriculum Update and Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu conducted in Kathmandu.

Sotang Primary Health Care

HTN project coordinator, Mr. Bijay Shrestha, handed over clinical necessities including hospital beds, mattresses, shelves for patients, stands to hang saline water, and medicines on 12th January 2021 to the Sotang Primary Health Care. The facility is now equipped with necessary items for patient care. It is staffed by a MD in General Practice and Emergency Medicine (MDGP), MBBS doctors and nurses. Generous support from Sir Edmund Hillary Stiftung Germany funded these essential materials through HTN.



Sotang PHC equipped with the necessary supported materials.

Teaching Materials for 65 Schools

Every year, HTN provides teaching materials to 65 schools in Solukhumbu. The teaching materials include attendance register, exam copy, A4 paper, pen, pencil, exercise book, drawing paper, record file, envelope, glue stick, board marker, tapes, and sports item (volleyball, football, volleyball net) etc. An invitation for sealed tender from interested firms to supply the items was advertised on 28th January 2021. Mukti Trade Concern got the contract to supply the teaching materials on 10th February 2021. The HTN office is currently receiving these items. They will be dispatched to the schools once all of the items are obtained.

New Bachelor Level Scholarships

HTN is pleased to announce two categories of scholarship to support students from Solukhumbu in pursuing bachelor's degree in the following specified subject areas. They are: 1) Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality and Himalayan Trust Scholarship for the students of Khumbu region; and 2) Himalayan Trust Bachelor Level Scholarship for the students of Southern Solukhumbu.

Table 1: Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality and Himalayan Trust Scholarship

S.N.	Subjects	# of seats
1	B.E. – Civil Engineering	2
2	B.Sc. – Forestry Science	1
3	B.Sc. – Agriculture	2
4	B.Sc. – Vetenerary	2
5	Bachelor of Law (LLB)	1
6	B.Ed. (Science)	4
7	B.Ed. (Mathematics)	4
8	B.Ed. (English)	4
9	B.Ed. (Social)	4
10	B.Sc. – Environment Science	1
11	Bachelor – Tourism	1
12	Bachelor – Computer Science and IT	2
Total		28

Table 2: Himalayan Trust Bachelor Level Scholarship for Southern Solukhumbu

S.N.	Subjects	# of seats
1	B.Sc. – Forestry Science	1
2	B.Sc. – Agriculture	2
3	Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)	1
4	Bachelor of Law (LLB)	1
5	B.Ed. (Science, Math, English and Social Study)	4
6	B.Sc. – Pharmacy	1
7	B.Sc. – Nursing	1
8	B.Sc. –Optometry	1
9	Bachelor – Tourism	1
10	Bachelor – Computer Science and IT	2
Total		15

Beni Health Post, Taksindu Secondary School, and Buddha Academy Tumbuk

Clinical equipment and school materials, supported by HTNZ and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand, were dispatched from HTN office on 24th February 2021. The clinical equipment and Covid-19 preventive materials were handed over to Beni Health Post Junbesi on 26th February 2021. Items for the clinic included oxygen concentrator, patient examination bed, hospital beds, surgical masks, KN95 mask, surgical gloves, oral foreign body removal, screen, bedside locker, rubbish bins, and sodium hypochlorite. Similarly, Taksindu Secondary School received science lab equipment, and Buddha Academy Tumbuk received desktop computer set, printer, and whiteboards. The clinical equipment and school materials were handed over by HTN District Coordinator, Mr. Nava Bahadur Bhujel.



Mr. Nava Bahadur Bhujel handing over the clinical materials to representative of Beni Health Post, Junbesi.



Desktop computer set, printer and white boards of Buddha Academy Tumbuk.

Remembering Zeke O'Connor

Zeke O'Connor , a dear friend of Sir Edmund Hillary, passed away at the age of 94 on 6th March 2021. HTN board members, honorary members, and staffs held a board meeting on 10th March 2021 to pay high respect to the founder of Sir Edmund Hillary Foundation, Canada and Honorary Life-time Patron of Himalayan Trust Nepal. HTN also organized a puja ceremony at Lhundrup Choling Monastery, Kathmandu on 14th March 2021 to pray for the departed soul. The people of Khumjung and Khunde Community organized puja ceremonies in Khumbu, at the Khumjung Monastery on 13th March 2021 at Khumjung and at the Khunde Tsamkhang on 15th March at Khunde in memory of Zeke O'Connor for his lifetime support to Sherpa Community.

His legacy as a great humanitarian and his philanthropic contributions to the people of Solukhumbu will be remembered by generations to come. Zeke supported Himalayan Trust as Sir Ed's right hand man since 1974. Some of his remarkable projects include supporting operations of Khunde Hospital and a dozen of community clinics for the last 46 years, Sagarmatha National Park's tree-plantation programme, scholarships to produce a dozen of medical doctors. His support, over the course of his life, has been instrumental in changing the lives of thousands to the people in Solukhumbu, Nepal.



Board meeting held on 10th March 2021 at HTN office.





Puja ceremony held in Lhundrup Choling Monastery on 14th March 2021 in memory of Zeke.



Puja ceremony held in Khumjung Monastery in memory of Zeke on 13th March 2021.



Puja ceremony held in Khunde Tsamkhang in memory of Zeke on 13th March 2021.

Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu (QEPS)

The education team of HTN led by Program Manager, Mr. Lhakpa Tenji Lama (Sherpa) completed baseline survey (Phase 2) in 16 schools of Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality (KPLRM) under Quality Education Programme in Solukhumbu (QEPS). The team conducted students' assessment of core subjects (English, Maths, Science and Nepali) in grades 2 through 8 of 10 selected schools, and visited all 16 schools to assess the current situation. QEPS is a five-year programme funded by Himalayan Trust New Zealand and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand.





Baseline survey conducted in 16 schools of Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality.

Louise and Belinda Hillary Memorial Scholarship

The Louise and Belinda Hillary Memorial Scholarship has been given to Ms. Ang Chhechi Sherpa to continue her Bachelor in Business Administration (BBA) level education in Kathmandu. The scholarship grant is supported by Sir Edmund Hillary Stiftung, Germany.



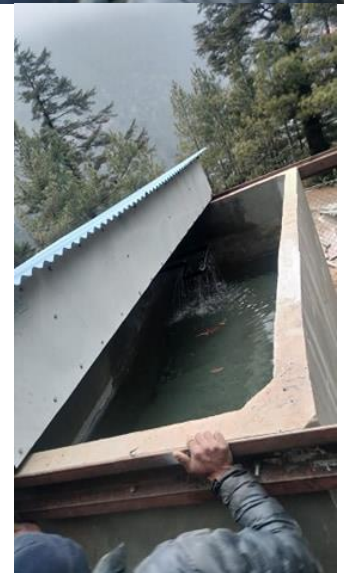
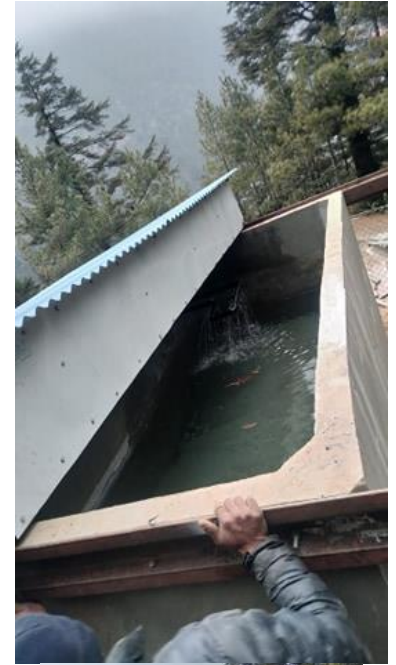
Ms. Ang Chhechi Sherpa

Monjo Community Drinking Water and Fire Hydrant Project

The Monjo Community Drinking Water and Fire Hydrant Project is complete. Direct beneficiaries of this project include the local residents. These facilities will also serve thousands of trekkers who pass through the villages every year. This project was jointly funded by Khumbu Pasanglhamu Rural Municipality (KPLRM), Sagarmatha National Park Chaurikharka Buffer Zone User Committee and Himalayan Trust Nepal. HTN's part of funding was contributed by Himalayan Trust New Zealand, Slovak Aid and Reinhold Messner Mountain Foundation.

A five-day training program on "Post construction management and drinking water safety plan" was conducted in KPLRM Ward no. 3 from 24th till 29th March 2021. This training was provided for the residents of Monjo, Chhumoa, Jorsalle and Banker vilages as part of local capacity building for sustainable use of the newly built drinking water and fire hydrant facilities.





The final completed look of the Drinking Water and Fire Hydrant Project at Monjo.



Five-day "Post construction management and drinking water safety plan" training program successfully conducted at Monjo.

MoU Signed with Nepal Kinderhilfe e.V.

Himalayan Trust Nepal is pleased to announce partnership with Nepal Kinderhilfe e.V. This Germany based non-profit organization supports school fees of more than 100 students in Nepal, from primary level upto high school. Effective April 2021, HTN will manage their Nepal based activities.

School WaSH Project Update

The School WaSH project in Sotang and Juving is progressing well. The latrine construction of Early Childhood Education Development (ECED) in Sotang has completed as per the HTN's design and drawing. Similarly, the latrine construction of Juving Secondary School is also completed along with the toilet construction of the staff quarter. Water supply and tap stand construction work remains which will be completed soon. School WaSH project in Juving School is supported by Grand Circle Foundation, USA and the latrine construction of ECED building in Sotang is funded by Josef Wessinger.



Project site at Sotang.



Project site at Juving.



Khunde Hospital

Chairman of Himalayan Trust Nepal, Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa and his team visited Khunde hospital on 30th March 2021 and inspection and management orientation programme was successfully conducted on the same day. An office assistant and a lab technician were recruited for the hospital.



Group photo with Khunde Hospital team.

Namche Dental Clinic

The financial support from HTNZ allowed the procurement of much-needed dental equipment consisting of an Indomotor (Wireless- Woodpecker) and a 21 litre Autoclave (12"X12") for the Namche Dental Clinic. HTN representatives handed over the dental equipment to the clinic during their recent visit to Khumbu.



HTN Chairperson Mr. Pasang Dawa Sherpa and CEO Dr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa handing over the dental equipment to Namche Dental Clinic

Furniture Support to Goli Clinic

With the funding support of Forgotten Sherpas of Nepal Trust (FSNT), HTN procured furniture and clinical materials for Pike Rural George Hunter Clinic of Goli. The furniture and materials include rack, shelf, table, chairs, benches, patient check up bed, rest bed, carpet, bucket, etc.



The internal view of the Goli clinic after furnished.



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