



The Right to Hope is not Limited to Some

Yes, every year the Christmas brings the message of hope. Does it indicate there is some sense of hopelessness still existing in the world around us today. Not exaggerating the negative elements, we all agree that there are issues everywhere that threatens our own very existence on this planet- be it conflicts associated with religion, culture, and ethnicity; Political and social issues, Poverty vs polarization of wealth in the hands of few or environmental degradation- everything worries us about our own future. And in this rather hopeless situation we see a struggle to bring hope by those who have taken the message of Christmas in their hearts.

Being born in a cowshed, identifying Himself with the marginalized of the world, Christ brings the new message that "They too have the right to Hope" because He is the Hope of the humanity. From the very birth, Christ went on till His death educating people to look at reality in the eye and move away from the fatalistic and superstitious belief system which clutched humanity in the sense of hopelessness. What we see here is that "education becomes equal to the right to hope."

This is where NJSI finds its next focus of action. While building nearly 40 schools damaged by earthquake in very remote locations of Nepal, NJSI realized the need to improve the education system in those places. Along with lack of infrastructure and limited number skilled teachers, we also see a community of people ridden with superstition and cultural myths that helps the politicians and religious leaders to control the innocent to take benefit. Unless education bring Critical Thinking in the mind of the youngsters, it becomes only a training for skills to get a job.

A great instrument in the hands of a non-discerning mind is a very dangerous too! So, the right to hope is to bring the critical thinking in the mind of young people through a kind of education that up holds truth, justice, peace, harmony and other social values so that they can evaluate and judge the myths that used by the religious and political stakeholders to control the common people. With the support of all of you, our esteemed benefactor and donors, NJSI has been able to support the schools affected by the earthquake. But we don't want to just leave these schools and the community nearby without bringing positive social transformation. And now for us the ground is an appropriate frontier as Nepal is just becoming a new Democratic Nation where our intervention is to be integral to the development of right social consciousness in this young country. Unlike the developed communities in the city, the remote areas of Nepal hold the raw communities which can be formed into the right way.

Once again thanking all of you for the valuable contribution that makes it possible for NJSI to help this little Himalayan nation to form towards a future of hope and continuing to hope on your generosity in the coming days, Wish you all a Grace filled Christmas Season

Roy Sebastian SJ

Fr. Roy Sebastian, SJ

HIGHLIGHTS

75 teachers Acquired IPP Training Program



Two Personal Development Program (PDC) Conducted



Medical Intervention to differently abled



Fr. Dilip has left NJSI after completing three years of his service. We wish him all the best for his future endeavors

Agriculture Training Program on Green-house construction, methods of composting and improved cooking stone



Handing over Ceremony at 3 different places



Hostel at Azad Secondary School



Women's Center at Haibugh



Four Classrooms at Mahendra Ratna Basic School



Inaguration of Tailoring Training for 2 groups, Surel and Tamang Community at Suri, Dolakha

NJSI INTERVENTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Kavre

Rightful Guidance to Danuwar Community



On 14th and 15th October, a paralegal training program was conducted for Danuwar community. As NJSI has been helping this community in every possible way after an earthquake such as building a women center, provided tailoring training, soap making training, beads making training etc. So, this time NJSI organized “Paralegal Program” for them.

It was two days program where the NJSI team shared the information regarding the rights. Along with that “Gender Based Violence” and “Sexual and Reproductive Health” issues were also discussed in the program.

This program was specially targeted for the women whose voices have been unheard. The program is not just to give an awareness of their rights but to make them stand strong if any prejudicial treatment occurs. Altogether, 33 women participated in the program. This program was Financially supported by Xavier Network.

Constitutional Insight to the Women



Mostly in the village areas, people are not aware of their rights so, NJSI conducted paralegal training program to make people awake regarding their fundamental rights. On 1st and 2nd November, NJSI went to Kali Devi Women's Center to conduct the program. There were 52 women participants in the training program. It was a two day program with special presentation and activities. The short plays were staged to impart informations and learnings. The participants actively participated and were able to collect the message from the play. At the end of the program, the participants expressed their joy towards NJSI for guiding them.

A Special Care to Special Children



Parents interacting with the doctors

NJSI is providing a nutrition to the special children of “Susta Manasthiti Punarsthapana Kendra” every 2 months interval. The nutritious food includes grains, flour, eggs, horlicks, sarbottam-pito (a home processed weaning food).

On 18th November, NJSI provided nutritious food to the special children. During the same visit, Dr. Anil Oja, Development Pediatrician accompanied us for the thyroid test. The tests were all negative except 4 found to be positive. Among those 4 children, the Doctor prescribed medicines only for 2 children and asked to re

peat the test in one month. For the rest of the 2 children the doctor has asked to repeat the test after 3 months because their results were in borderline.

The parents were also invited for this particular visit. Out of 21 children, only 15 children's parents. The parents too interacted with the Doctor and informed him about present conditions of their children. After listening to the parents, the Doctor prescribed medicines for some of them accordingly.

Learning Center: A Holistic Approach to Education at Shree Bhagawati Secondary School School



The construction phase of the learning Center for the special children at Bhagawati School is completed. It is a two storey building with two classrooms at the ground floor and one spacious hall at the first floor. This project is financially supported by Caritas Italy.

We are expecting to handover the building very soon. NJSI has furnished as per the need of the children such as tables, chairs, exercise equipments, cupboards.

The children and the school management committee eagerly awaiting to use the building facility.

Drinking Water Facility at Roshi



The water project at Roshi-7, Kavrepalanchowk has been completed. We are expecting it to handover to the beneficiaries after the Christmas and New Year celebration in the first week of January, 2019. The constructed water storage tank can hold up to 18 thousand liters of water which will provide water to 17 taps in common to different areas for which installation of water pipelines have been completed and tested.

Hostel Handing over Ceremony



The hostel for the special children of Azad Secondary School, Banepa, Kavre was handed over to the respective authority on 14th December in the presence of Mayor, Laxmi Narsingh Shrestha, representative of District Level Project ImplimentationUnit (Education), Shivaraj Tripathi and Kabita Sharma. The School management committee, parents of the special children and some students from Azad Secondary School were also involved in the program. A short appreciation ceremony was held from the school side, where the hostel's key was handed over to the respective authority.

Until the handing over of the hostel, all the students were staying in a single room. Now, with the new hostel, they have a spacious house with a wash facility. The hostel has two The hostel has two rooms, one kitchen, one dining hall and one study/activity room. NJSI furnished as per the need of the children with beds, tables, curtains, carpet and water filtration system.

Personal Development Camp at Shree Patha Pradashak Secondary School



From 12th to 13th November, NJSI organized Personal Development Camp for the students of class 8 and 9 of Shree Patha Pradashak Secondary School, Badikhel, Godawari. This is the 5th PDC program that NJSI has been conducting for this year. This program comprises assorted activities that help the students to be aware of self and their environment. Along with this, Eco-club was introduced to them. Basically, the club is monitored by the school itself once it is established. NJSI is just helping them to establish and provide needful information to run the club. A short presentation was given to them regarding the practices that help to conserve the environment. The students were divided into six different groups in order to form the working groups with specific tasks and responsibilities. The Cleanliness group keeps their classrooms and school premises clean, Documentation and Media groups cover every story or activities conducted, Plantation group plants trees and takes care of them, Fundraising group collects the fund needed for activities, Recycling and Reuse group collects the waste products and separates them which can be reused or recycled.

On 23rd October, NJSI organized "Parents' Orientation Program" for the parents whose children are studying in Shree Tulsi Primary School, Tallo Dhansahari, Sindhuli. Altogether, 47 parents including their grandparents participated in the program.

This is the 2nd parents' orientation program conducted by NJSI. The first program was conducted by Ms. Anita Gurung whereas 2nd and 3rd one NJSI team itself conducted the program and gave constitutive guidance to the parents on how to make an effective bond between the parents and their children. The program comprised fun filled activities with informative learnings. To add up the content, presentations and videos were shown to them. The second part of the activity was to form the Eco-club. The Eco-club was introduced to the students of class 3, 4 and 5. The team helped to form the groups such as Cleanliness, Fundraising, Plantation, Recycle and Reuse, Documentation and Media. To give them a clear pictures, relevant presentation with videos were demonstrated to them.

Sindhuli

Parents' orientation and Eco-club Formation



A Multipurpose Community Hall



Recently, on 5th Dec, NJSI started to construct a community center at Golanjor Rural Municipality, Tinkanya ward no. 8, Sindhuli. The center will be named as “Tin Kanya Community Hall”

The construction of the center was started on 5th December, 2018 in the presence of 34 beneficiaries including chairman, treasurer of the community. Till date, the foundation work has been completed. The land was provided by the community itself, its a public land. The community is eagerly waiting to use the center for the welfare of the local people once it is ready.

Sindhupalchowk

Women Center at Haibung



In the sector of empowering the women, NJSI has added one more women's center at Sindhupalchowk. The center is for “Majuwa Swabalamban women's group”. Despite of many challenges faced during the implementation phase, we have completed the construction. During the construction, for few months we had to halt our

work due to monsoon. As soon as the monsoon stopped we accelerated our work and on 22nd of November, the women's center was handed over to respective authority. A short ceremony was conducted in the presence of ward chairman, Basanta Gurung and beneficiaries. Altogether, 36 people participated in the program. Fr. Juel and Lucia, Advocacy Coordinator of Fe y Alegría and Interculturals had also accompanied NJSI team in the program. At the end of the program Fr. Arul distributed sitting mat to 40 members of the women's group.

Galthum Shelter Construction: Work on the Progress



Mr. Kaluman Tamang
Local Representative of
NJSI



For this year, Nepalese have wrapped up the festive vibes now, we can expect some smoothness in our activities. In previous months due to monsoon and festival season the beneficiaries were not able to continue their construction work due to impossibility of transportation of construction materials.

At present context, 53 beneficiaries have completed their houses after receiving their 3rd installment and 65 of them have received second installment. Now, out of 73, 20 beneficiaries are left to receive their 3rd installment and 8 are left to receive second installment.

Mr. Kaluman Tamang, a local representative of NJSI has been monitoring and supervising the project since the beginning of the project. He has been supervising the work since this project started. Primarily, he makes a coordination among the local Government Bodies, beneficiaries and NJSI.

Lalitpur

Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm (IPP) Training Program



This year, NJSI had targeted to provide Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm (IPP) training to 75 Teachers. Till now, including this program, we have trained 50 teachers. Basically, IPP is a teaching approach that focuses on the development of a child in a holistic manner. It is a Jesuit way of teaching method which is recognized as one of the most effective teaching technique. So, NJSI decided to adopt and spread this approach, specially to the Government schools in order to upgrade their teaching methods.

If we see the present status in Nepal that most of the people's attention is drawn to private schools because they have better education whereas in Government schools the education system is degrading day by day. Aiming at the same goal to achieve, IPP training program was conducted at NJSI office from 11th to 12th October. Altogether, 19 teachers participated from 6 different government schools of Kavre, Sindhuli, Sindhupalchowk and Ramechapp.

NJSI provided the food and accommodation facilities to all the 19 participants for 2 days. The resource persons were from St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel.

A session on "Right to Education" to NJSI Staffs



Fe y Alegria and Intercultural Advocacy Coordinator, Lucia, gave a session on "Right to Education" to NJSI staffs on 20th November. It was a one day program where she gave needful information regarding the Education Rights of an individuals. Assorted activities were involved to indulge the participants in enlarging the concept.

She mainly focused on four key points that helps an individual to acquire "Right to Education" truly which are: Availability, Accessibility, Acceptability and Adaptability. If a person is involved in any institution with geographical, physical, economical accessibility including harmony, flexibility and the needs relevant to social context then we can say that their rights have been exercised fully.

NJSI team is thankful to Lucia for sharing her knowledge with us.

Providing Judicial Alertness to the Women



From 15th to 16th November, NJSI team led the paralegal training program for the women's group named "Bishkhu Narayan Bahudeshya Mahila Bikhas Sahakari Sanstha". With this program, NJSI has managed to dispense a paralegal training program to 178 women from Sindhupalchowk, Kavre, Lalitpur and Dolakha districts. It is a 2 day program which comprises the awareness of the fundamental rights and raised issue on gender violence. To make it a fun learning, NJSI team had prepared some skits on different topics in which the participants had to act. The participants portrait the hegemony that society follows. Through skits, they were able to relate their conditions which they have to face in their daily basis. The motive of involving the participants in the paly was to wipe out the dominance behavior towards others and start corresponding with each other.

Agricultural Training Program



The agricultural Training Program was held at Knowledge Park, ICIMOD, Godavari on 10th and 11th December. This training program was especially for the people of Tipling so that they can acquire the knowledge to improve the agriculture sector in their village. Altogether, 24 people participated where all the members were women. The training was on greenhouse construction, methods of composting and improved cooking stove. It was two days program where 2 resource persons from ICIMOD regulated the training. The resource persons shared the idea on the two methods of composition: enclosed composting and Pit Composting. Different techniques for mountain agriculture were shown to them like Spotted Mushroom Farming, Private Hydropower, 3D Farming, Basket Farming, Solar Heating and Cooking method and Terrace Farming.

Dhading

Reinforcing the Students with Auxiliary Exercises



NJSI had conducted PDC from 3rd to 4th December at Shree Bachchhaladevi Secondary School which is situated at Satyadevi, Dhading. It was concluding program of PDC for this year. NJSI has completed 6 PDC at 6 different schools where 400 students in total benefited. At this school, the students were pretty active comparing to the other schools. They participated with great spirit. The majority of the students belonged to "Tamang Community". In a similar manner as any other schools, PDC was conducted by the NJSI successfully. Eco-club was introduced and helped the students to form the groups. Related presentations and videos were shown to them to make it more effective.

The school management committee expressed their gratitude towards NJSI for creating such opportunities for their students. The school expect some more activities which will help the students to improve their overall carrier building.

The Road to Tipling





Marking the exact spot in the village from which the track will pass by

The road to Tipling is now, just 7 Kms away from the village. The villagers are very excited and eagerly waiting for the road. Recently, on 12th November, NJSI team went to Tipling to monitor and verify the work that has been done so far. After reaching the village, NJSI team interacted with the beneficiaries and team verified the exact places in the villages from where the road would pass by

Completion of Two Storey Building at ShreeMahendra Ratna Basic School



One of the most awaited and challenging project “construction of four classrooms and a toilet” at Mahendra Ratna School has been completed. Location wise, it is very far plus due to unpaved roads transporting the materials was not an easy job. Regardless these distinct challenges, NJSI has managed to reach the unreachable ones. The building was handed over to the school management committee on 21st December, 2018 in the presence of section officer from Rural Municipality, ward chairman, two representative of Caritas Germany, NJSI team and some students were present in the ceremony. 33 people participated in the program. NJSI has furnished the building as per the need of the students, 26 sets of chairs and tables, 4 ECD tables, 10 chairs and 5 tables for the teachers. According to the school management committee the four classrooms will be use as ECD room, staff/office room and the rest two will be classrooms for the students. The school management committee and the students both were very happy to receive the building.

Dolakha

Basic and Advanced Tailoring Training Program



This month, NJSI has started the tailoring training program to two women's group namely “Jal Devi Women's Group” and the other Surel Community at Suri. Earlier, we had given a basic tailoring training program to the women's group of Surel community. Now, we are providing them with advance tailoring whereas, a basic tailoring training to Jal Devi women group. These both of the training programs are held in the women center respectively which was built by NJSI itself. The training program was started at the beginning of the December and will end after 3 months.

Paralegal Training Program



This time, the paralegal training program was for Tamang Community and Sural community at Suri. On 6th October, NJSI team conducted the constitutional guidance to Tamang Community where 33 participated in the program. And in the following day, 7th October the program was conducted for Sural community where 24 sures participated. The presentation mainly includes all the basic rights of women, legal laws on domestic and sexual violence and general information about Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR).

Ramechhap

Provision of Irrigation Facility



NJSI is providing a water lifting system for an irrigation at Khadadevi-1 rural municipality, Ramechhap. The total number of beneficiaries of this project are 105. Xavier Network and are supporting financially for this project. The work has been already started and now, the local beneficiaries are collecting the stones for making reservoir tank.

Fencing the School Compound



NJSI provided one cupboard to Diveyshowri Primary School which is located at Suri-2, Dolakha. The total number of the students from class 1 to 5 is 54. The school is located at a very steep slope so as per the need of the school and the protection of the students NJSI fenced the school compound.

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