



NELUMBO, NEPAL UPDATES

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Announcement

We're delighted to share some of the most recent news (January-April, 2022) of NELUMBO, NEPAL. Activities including health, education and assistance to the organizations to combat the risk of the COVID outbreak, NELUMBO, NEPAL continued to work closely with local partners and communities to respond. Please read the highlighted story.

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HEALTH PROGRAMS

Health programs have been one of the regular and effective programs of the organization since its establishment. This program is run under the project "*Community Health, Education and Environment*". Under this program, various activities are carried out in order to uplift the health status of the community people in the working areas. Within the four months of time period (Jan – April), three activities are carried out effectively which have benefited altogether 136 individuals. Providing medical or medicinal support was the major activity done under "Medical Charity Fund" which involved:

- Mr. Santa Bahadur Dhakal, Mental Illness Patient, has been getting help from the organization for last 3 years.
- 20 disabled children, in collaboration with Child Welfare Scheme Nepal (CWSN).
- 140 helpless and homeless individuals residing at Manavsewa Ashram.



Figure 1: Medicine Handover to the family of disable children in collaboration with CWSN



Figure 2: School students gathered for one of our programs at PMC-18.

EDUCATION PROGRAM

The education program is the other program run under the project "*Community Health, Education, and Environment*". This program includes activities that are designed to ensure quality, inclusive, and safe learning activities at schools. In order to ensure quality education at both primary and secondary levels, organization has been supporting 5 children with scholarships.

Similarly, to ensure access to clean drinking water at school premises, a euro-guard is provided to a government school at Machhapuchhre Rural Municipality, Kaski, Gandaki province.

PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE ACTIVITIES RELATED TO COVID-19

NELUMBO, NEPAL has been collaborating with various organizations and local governments to support the country's preparedness and response activities to address the direct and indirect effects of pandemic on the most vulnerable population. The response program emphasized on four components: public awareness, medical safety materials distribution, medical equipment distribution, and relief distribution.

During this four-month period, medical safety materials are provided to nine different institutions as per the assessed needs. Along with this, we also helped two major hospitals (Pokhara Academy of Health Sciences, Pokhara-10, and Infectious and Communicable Disease Hospital, Pokhara-30), that were assigned for the medication, treatment, and care of the COVID-19 cases, with 10 human resources (five each) to carry out the targeted activities effectively and efficiently.



Figure 3: Handover of Medical Safety Materials to the representatives of Infectious and Communicable Disease Hospital



Figure 4: After the MOU was signed between the representatives of Infectious and Communicable Disease Hospital, NELUMBO, NEPAL, and the new recruit for the aforementioned hospital.

DENTAL CARE

On February 19, 2021, NELUMBO, NEPAL inaugurated the "Dental Mobile Clinic" van as part of its "Oral Health and Dental Care Services" program at Sirjana Residential Secondary School for the Deaf, in Pokhara Metropolitan City-26. This program aims to address the oral and dental health issues that individuals of the marginalized and vulnerable community have and those of the school going children as well.

A total of three dental camps have been conducted during the four-month period in various municipalities of Kaski District. Along with treatment and medication, awareness programs to promote oral health and hygiene was also organized. This approach to the promotion of healthy oral habits and prevention of oral and dental problems was targeted at vulnerable and marginalized community people and the students of working areas. Such activities are carried out in order to achieve the holistic care through this program.

A total of 896 individual were benefited during these camps.



Figure 5: Dental Mobile Clinic Van



Figure 6: Dental Procedure being done inside the Dental Mobile Clinic Van



Figure 5: Awareness on oral and dental hygiene by RDH at one of the schools.