

未來之村成員通訊

Future Village Letter

Aug, 2013

Dear friends of Future Village:

Namaste! We would like to give our deepest apology for not able to prepare the latest newsletter on time due to very limited human resources and busy project work in the past year. In this Aug, I was back in Future Village (FV) for discussing the future development, direction, and management issues of FV with Dambar and the local inhabitants. We aim at maintaining the existing service, extending the scope and scale of some of our projects in the village and to the peripheral area. In here, we would like to share with you our development progress from last year to current and our future plan. We hope you can give us continuous support.

New Future Village Website

Spending months and months' efforts, new Future Village website has finally launched in June 2012. We are very grateful to **Anita Chong** and **Merida** for their endless time and hard working in helping the new website layout, reorganizing information and adding more update project progress. In the new website, we also further strengthen FV's long-term commitment which is to is to **"Empowering the Poor to Sustainable Livelihood"**. We would like to invite you to visit our new website and always stay in touch with us.

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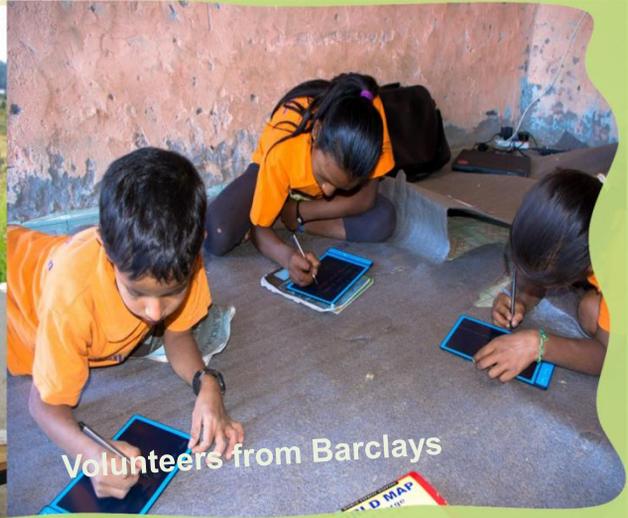
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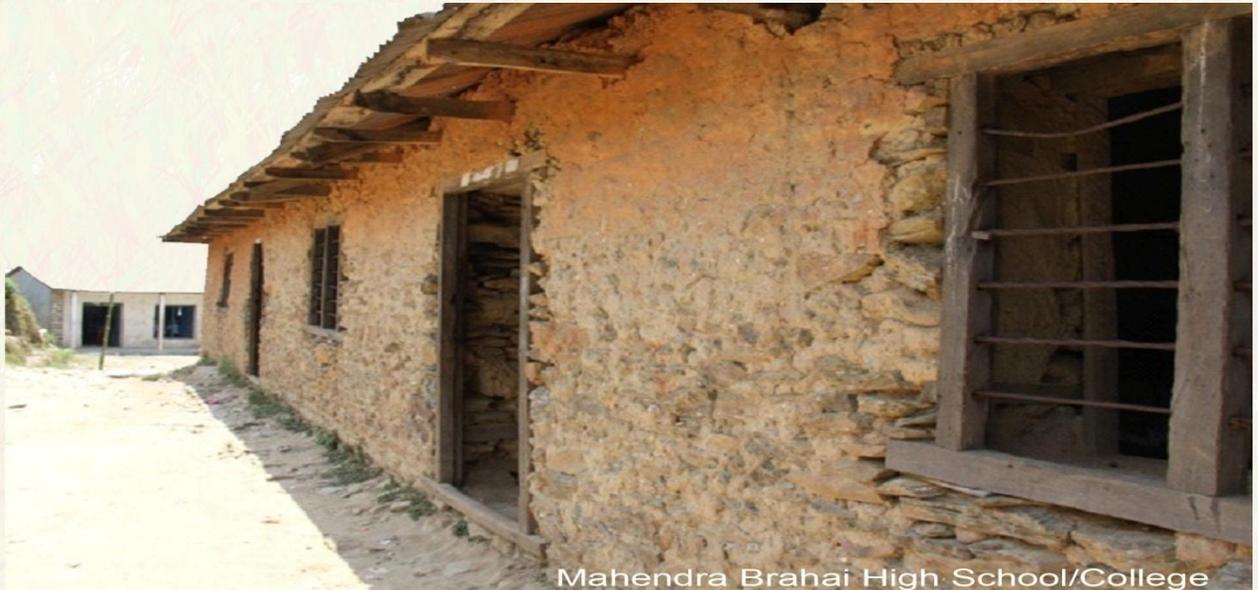
Projects Need Your Support

1. Continue 'Chup-pe (toilets) for each family'

"Chup-pe (toilets) for each family" Project has successfully installed 60 toilets in the previous two years. We would like to continue the "Chup-pe" project to other needy families. If you can donate HKD 500, you can help one local family to build own toilet. Please support us.

2. Improving Rural School Facilities- Site 2

We are still looking for funding to help our second targeted school - Mahendra Barahai School. The school was established in 1960s and more than 50 years. It offers class 1 to 12 (college +2) and has students over 500. Due to the poor maintenance, the school is now too old for providing good and safe learning environment for students. Most classrooms are overcrowded and face severe leaking during raining seasons (see the below photos). The school also does not have any drinking water facilities. The school is now looking for the support for overall education quality improvement including rebuilding 4 classrooms. Please join us and work together.



Mahendra Barahai High School/College

The principal's room faces very serious water leaking during raining seasons.

Students are studying in very dark and crowded classrooms.



3. The First Old Care Health Centre

Most old population in the village can't access and afford the basic health service. We therefore aim to build an old care health centre which aims to provide free health check for the aged group (over 40 years old) every Friday and Saturday from 11am -3pm. We will manage a local doctor to provide free medical consultation. Some free medicines will be provided.

4. Expand the Current Free Tuition Classes & Teacher Sponsoring

Currently, over 60 village kids regularly attend our morning tuition classes. These students are from class 1 to class 5 students. In order to resolve the overcrowding situation, we plan to build up another small classroom using the land just down to the FV. In future, students can be divided into 3 small study groups. We need one time funding to build this small room and long term support for hiring another part-time local teacher (Rs 5000 per month salary).

5. A Simple Toilet/ Hand-washing Basin for Tuition Class Kids

To further improve the sanitary and hygiene situation, we purpose to build a toilet and washing basin next to the two new rooms.

The budget for construction (2 small rooms, simple toilet and a hand-washing basin) is about USD 1600 (this cost based on lots of locals are willing to provide free labour).

6. Income Generation Projects- Tailoring Skills for Women

We need a one-time donation (Rs 12,000) to buy two tailoring machines. We will invite village women who are interested in learning and using the tailoring machines to form a small group. Each woman will only need to pay small amount such as Rs 10 as monthly membership fees so that they can use tailoring machines. In the long-term, we hope women can use the skills to generate incomes.

Donation and Enquiry supporting us, donation can be made to the following Bank Account in Hong Kong (**HSBC : Ms Lam Lai Ming 067-3-044756**), please send us a notice via email (info@future-vilalge-nepal.org) after the transaction. If you any enquiry about our projects, please feel free to contact **Christie Lam**: your_laiming@yahoo.com

Financial Report

As by **Aug, 2013**, the accumulated amount of donations received by FV is **HKD \$788,644**, the balance is **HKD 92,962**. We will carefully spend the surplus on the sustained salary of the 3 full-time teachers of the junior high school; the water system, toilet improvement works; the salary for the teachers working on the morning tutoring session.

FV has been bearing in mind the principles of *“Small is beautiful”* and *“Never end peace and love”* in improving the community development. Although we have very limited resources, we wish to maintain FV’s independence and flexibility of operation, so that we will not be restrained by the cumbersome administrative structure and cost, but have our donations focused on the real need. Individual donations have been the primary source of income and support of FV, if you are able to make a donation of HKD10 each month, i.e. HKD120 every year, FV can be run sustainably. This amount of donations will be well enough to pay for the two teachers helping in the tutoring session; providing better education opportunity for the outstanding students and the regular maintenance cost of the FV guest house, etc. If you agree with our mission, please deposit your donation to HSBC account no: 067-3-044756 (Ms Lam Lai Ming) and inform us of your payment by email.

FV has created a group named “The Family of Future Village” in Face book, please join us at: <https://www.facebook.com/future.village.nepal> and share the FV news with all of us. Should you like to contact us or have any questions, just drop an e-mail to Christie or our team in Hong Kong at info@future-village-nepal.org.



Starring Night at Future Village
See you next time.

Photo Credit Fred Lam