

Nepal School Construction

Completion Report

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Through your generous support, Room to Read transformed a school in Nepal.

Project Location

Tamasariya Village Development Committee is located in Nawalparasi District, 195 km southwest of Kathmandu. The Shree Laxmi Adarsha Secondary School itself is located in Amrasa Village, which is about four km from Chormara along the Mahendra Highway. It takes about six hours to reach the school from Kathmandu.



Community/School Profile

Nawalparasi District is divided into a northern hilly region and the southern lowland Tarai region. The district is irrigated by the Narayani River, one of the largest rivers in the country. The Narayani collects the output of seven extremely complex drainages in the Trans-Himalayan system and consists of countless creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, wetlands, and floodplains.

The population of the area is 1,600. The area along and around the East-West Highway is mostly inhabited by migrants from the hill areas who belong to the Brahmin, Chhetri, Newar, and Magar ethnic groups. The southern area is densely populated by Tharu and Madhesi groups. In rural areas most people rely on agriculture and animal husbandry to sustain their livelihood whereas in urban areas people are engaged in various activities such as small-scale

Project ID: NP-SR-12-0053

Name: Shree Laxmi Adarsha Lower

Secondary School

State/Province: Lumbini
District/Zone: Nawalparasi
City/Village: Tamasariya
Grades: Kindergarten to 8

Number of Students

Female: 14[,] Male: 107 Total: 251

Number of Teachers

Female: 3 Male: 7 Total: 10



External view of the newly constructed school building.



Students attending a class in the new building.

businesses and blue collar jobs. Most houses in urban areas are two to three stories in height and constructed from brick and cement mortar and roofed with reinforced cement concrete. Houses in remote villages are single or double story and constructed from brick and stone with mud mortar and roofed with corrugated iron sheets or clay tiles.

Reason for Support

Reason for building a new school, as outlined in the project application report:

The Shree Laxmi Adarsha Lower Secondary School was established in 1969. The school currently consists of four buildings comprising a total of 14 rooms. Of these, 12 are used as classrooms, one serves as an office, and one is used as a library. One of the existing buildings, consisting of six rooms, is unsuitable for holding classes due to a leaking roof and inadequate space. The remaining buildings are in satisfactory condition.

Room to Read is constructing a new two-room building in the school compound, where one of the existing buildings will be partially demolished to accommodate the new classroom block. The students will continue to attend class in their old classrooms until the new building is complete.

Project Details

The newly constructed single-story building comprises a total of two rooms. All rooms are used as classrooms. These rooms are adequately ventilated and well lit by ample natural light. Each newly constructed classroom can accommodate 45 students very comfortably. The internal walls have been plastered and painted, while the external walls have cement pointing and have also been painted.

Resources Provided

Resources Provided by Community - 27.74% of total

 Building Maintenance; Clean Water; Lighting; Salvaged/Reused Materials; Skilled Labour; Sponsor Groundbreaking Ceremony; Sponsor Opening Ceremony; Volunteer Labour

Resources Provided by Room to Read - 72.26% of total

Blackboards/Whiteboards; Building Design; Construction Materials;
 Furniture; Monitoring and Support

Trainings

Start Date	Length of Training	Training Topic
6/20/2012	1.0 days	Building Maintenance; Financial
		Management; Physical Planning; Water
		and Sanitation
7/13/2012	1.0 days	Basic Construction Techniques; Financial
		Management: Project Management



A teacher conducting class in the newly constructed classroom.



A young student working on a lesson at a new desk provided by Room to Read.

Basic Construction Techniques; Building Maintenance; Specialized Construction Techniques

Comments

Headmaster Rishi Ram Bhusal is delighted with the new building and believes it will improve the school's educational standards. "I'm thoroughly excited to see what my students can access in their new school" he says.

The students are also excited about the new building. "The rooms are way better than what we were used to in our old building. It's spacious and we can all sit comfortably, the teacher can move about freely, and we don't have to squint because ample natural light filters into the room," says sixth grader Sujan Khadka.

Photos of Dedication Plaque



