

FOREWORD

We are extremely happy to share you the Annual Review, 2016 of Social Welfare Association of Nepal (SWAN). This Annual Review is the summary progress report of the activities and achievements under various projects carried by Social Welfare Association of Nepal (SWAN) in the year 2016.

We sincerely want to express thanks to our Partner Organizations; SWAN Deutschland e.V., Apotheker Ohne Grenzen, action medeor, travel to nature Asia, EcoTrip Nepal Treks and Expedition, For Family Reisen, Clemens Lammers GmbH, Philip Henmann Trust, UK, Impulse Project Fund, Camping & Pension Au an der Donau and SWAN Ostreech, Austria. SWAN also would like to extend its gratitude towards Government line agencies, stakeholders and community people for their immense and continuous support and also being a part of our mission.

We would also like to express our sincere thanks to all of our individual sponsors and other types of donors. In 2016, we've had some incredible moments and achievements as an organization. With your generous support and overwhelming kindness, we have helped more than ever before and brought significant change. We have been able to support vulnerable children, disadvantaged women and rural communities in Nepal only with your support through which decisive changes have been made in the lives of the poor and needy ones.

We have big plans for 2017 and we need your continued support and dedication.

Thank you once again for your support and best wishes!



Krishna Karki
Founder Chairperson - SWAN

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ABOUT US

Social Welfare Association of Nepal (SWAN) is a non-governmental and not for profit making organization that aims to address the needs of community people for sustainable development in Nepal. SWAN was established in 1994 and since then it has been working under the fivefold approaches of SWAN i.e. Education, Health, Livelihoods, Good Governance and Eco Tourism.

After earthquake 2015, SWAN expanded its project activities of relief and reconstruction support in 5 new districts; Kavre, Nuwakot, Parbat, Gorkha & Sindhupalchowk considering the needs of community people of earthquake affected areas.

SWAN is affiliated with the Social Welfare Council under section 13 of the Social Welfare Act, 1992 (SWC No. 1752) and is registered under the Organization Registration Act 2034 Nepal at the District Administration Office, Kathmandu (Registration No. 381/50/51).



OUR VISION

SWAN envisions “Healthy, Educated and Prosperous Society” where every people enjoy their basic rights.

OUR MISSION

SWAN strives to support marginalized, disadvantaged and excluded rural communities to participate in sustainable development process utilizing local resources and appropriate technology to bring the lasting positive change in their lives.

OUR VALUES

Mutual respect, Equity, Respect for human rights, Secularism, Sincerity, Bottom-up planning, Collaboration and innovation.

ORGANIZATIONAL GOAL

- Ensure basic quality education to the children of the impoverished, disadvantaged and marginalized rural communities.
- Build healthy society through the reduction of maternal and infant mortality and by strengthening the community based health services.
- Improve social status of women by protecting & advocating for their rights and involving them in income generation.
- Develop environment friendly society through the conservation and promotion of eco-tourism.

SWAN NEPAL IN 2016

(MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS)

Reconstructed 3 Schools devastated by Earthquake 2015 benefitting 500 children in Sindhupalchowk and Parbat

Provided Scholarship to 141 impoverished children of 12 districts; Supported 13 ECD centers of 5 VDCs benefitting 200 children of Baglung and 30 children in Sindhupalchowk

Supported Livelihood program to 3 women group of 3 VDCs in Baglung benefitting 200 women; provided shed management training to 39 farmers

Reconstructed 4 Health Shelters in Gorkha and 2 Health Shelters in Sindhupalchowk; provided medicines, medical consumables, equipments, furniture

Conducted School Health Education Program in 2 Schools of Baglung, benefitting 164 adolescent children

Conducted trainings on Standard Treatment Protocol (STP) to 126 Health Workers in Baglung and Parbat

5 groups from Germany & Austria visited SWAN's project area, Baglung

Strengthened Milijuli Women Group of Bhakunde VDC, Baglung institutionally by constructing Training and Office building



Founder Chairperson, Krishna Karki meeting the sponsored child and her family in Baglung



Women raising Goats in Narayansthan VDC, Baglung

OUR PROJECTS IN 2016

1. EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

We continued to support scholarship to the poor, disadvantaged, marginalized and differently able children of 12 districts. We implemented Early Childhood Education Development (ECED) program in 5 VDCs of Baglung district with the special (ECED) package.

Key Achievements:

- Provided scholarship to 141 needy students (67 boys and 74 girls) for the year 2015/2016.
- Completed 5 years "Right to education" project and handed over to the community in Baglung.
- Provided education materials, playing materials, day meal support, teachers training, teacher support etc. to 11 ECD centers of 5 VDCs of Baglung.
- Organized 5 days Toy Making to strengthen the capacity of 11 ECD Facilitators in Baglung.



Kids of Setidevi Primary School, Sindhupalchowk provided with ECD kits



Swan helped me complete my Intermediate education in Civil Engineering from Western Regional Campus (Institute of Engineering) in Pokhara and doing bachelor in the same field from Pokhara engineering college, Pokhara. Providing scholarships to the needy students gives an opportunity to every individual to reach their full potential. Without SWAN, I wouldn't be able to pursue my studies. Once I complete my study, I want to support this organization from my side as well.

- Govinda Shrestha (Engineering Student)



"The most significant changes I see in my community are amongst parents who have started understanding the value of education and future of their children."

- Kalpana Pariyar, Facilitator
(Musurabari ECD), Paiyunpata VDC



Kid playing in Musurabari ECD, Paiyunpata VDC, Baglung



Founder Chairperson of SWAN Österreich visiting the kids of Binamare VDC, Baglung

2. HEALTH

2.1 PROJECT: STANDARD TREATMENT PROTOCOL (STP) PROGRAM

SWAN implemented Standard Treatment Protocol (STP) program with an objective to increase access to Quality (Effective, Safe, Client-centered, Timely, Low cost, Efficient and Reliable) Basic Health Care Services in the rural communities of Baglung and Parbat districts.

Key Achievements:

- Conducted trainings, peer group discussions on Standard Treatment Protocol (STP) and Pharmaceutical Training to 126 health workers in Baglung and Parbat.
- In a peer group discussion, it is found that the participants (Health Workers) gained the knowledge and improved skills on STP and pharmaceutical protocol:-

1. Participants started maintaining the prescriptions card appropriately.
2. Health workers started providing quality health care services to the patients.
3. Participants improved the irrational practice of antibiotic prescription in comparison with baseline survey status.

2.2 MEDICINES SUPPORT TO NARAYANSTHAN HEALTH POST, BAGLUNG

Narayansthan Health Post was facing the shortages of basic medicines because District Health Office (DHO) of Baglung could not supply the medicines to the Health Post due to the shortages in DHO itself as a result of unofficial blockade of India against Nepal. Hence, Narayansthan Health Post was provided with the basic medicines in March, 2016.



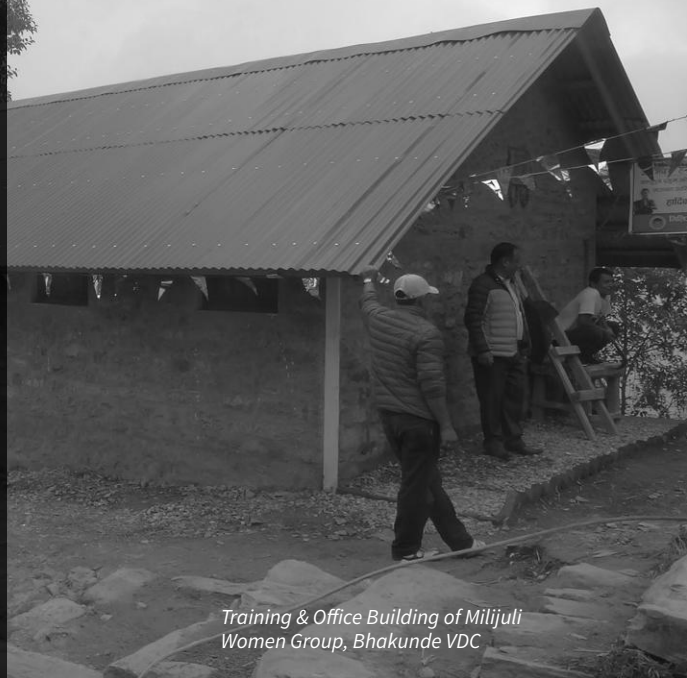
Participants in School Health Education Program

3. LIVELIHOODS

One of our main programs is providing better opportunities and facilitates livelihoods improvement of women and poorer communities for their socio-economic empowerment through income generation Program (IGP) and leadership skills. We also assist women groups to create, mobilize and manage small scale funds through saving and credit groups.

Key Achievements:

- Provided shed management training to 39 women farmers and 6 goats to new members in Narayansthan VDC, Baglung.
- Constructed and handed over the Office Building of Milijuli Women Group to the community to strengthen them institutionally in Baglung.



Training & Office Building of Milijuli Women Group, Bhakunde VDC



I easily earn for maintaining the household expense and have savings. It happens to be possible due to the initiative, training and support of SWAN Nepal. Goat raising program of SWAN really helped to enhance the socio- economic status of women group in Narayansthan VDC.



- Nandakali Dhakal, Farmer



We feel so privileged to organize a handover event from our own Office premises. Therefore, we would like to appreciate the efforts of SWAN to helping the disadvantaged women of rural community. At this delightful moment, we feel even more responsible to bring together more women towards sustainable development.



- Indra Thapa Magar,
Chairperson, Milijuli Women Group, Bhakunde



SWAN staff along with a farmer of Kaiya, Narayansthan VDC

4. ECO TOURISM

SWAN together with travel-to-nature-Asia and Eco Trip Nepal Treks and Expedition have been promoting eco tourism by making local people aware of environment conservation and introducing sustainable tourism in its working area.

In 2016, 5 groups from Germany and Austria visited the SWAN's Project area in Baglung under the project tour event in the kind support of Eco Trip Nepal Treks and Expedition Pvt. Ltd, travel-to-nature-Asia and FOR FAMILY REISEN of Germany.



Tourists from Germany en-route to Bhakunde VDC, Baglung

POST-EARTHQUAKE RECONSTRUCTION SUPPORT

Under the Post-Earthquake Reconstruction Support Program, SWAN continued its support to help the Earthquake affected children and communities mainly in the areas of education, health and establishing drinking water facility.

Reconstruction of 3 Schools affected by Earthquake in Parbat & Sindhupalchowk

SWAN reconstructed and handed over the school building of Shree Jalpa Devi Higher Secondary School consisting 12 rooms and Setidevi Primary School consisting 3 rooms in Sindhupalchowk and 2 rooms spaced School building of Shree Jana Prakash Primary School in Parbat district. This project was funded by SWAN Deutschland e.V.

"SWAN has been able to create an environment in which students will be able to learn better without having to battle fear at the back of their minds. Now, it is the responsibility of the school to create noteworthy changes and bring out quality education."

- Mr. Nirmal Kumar Ghimire,
Chief, District Education Office
(DEO), Sindhupalchowk



Newly built Shree Jalpadevi Secondary School, Sindhupalchowk



We didn't even have proper furniture to sit on and there was no learning atmosphere at the damaged school. There was a point where many of us wanted to discontinue studying in the school. Fortunately, SWAN constructed permanent classrooms and provided proper furniture that made us feel comfortable and secure.



- Rama Bhujel, 7th Grader
Shree Jalpadevi Secondary School, Sindhupalchowk



This community itself falls under very poor, economically disadvantaged and marginalized categories. So we were facing problem in the reconstruction of new building. Luckily, we found organization like SWAN that shared some budget in the building construction. Now, we are able to provide safe learning classes to our small children.



- Madhav Prasad Poudel
Member, School Management Committee, Shree Jana Prakash Primary School, Parbat



School girl holding a banner to appreciate the efforts of SWAN Deutschland e.V for rebuilding their School damaged by Quake



Students of Shree Jana Prakash Primary School, Parbat



Gunsakot Health Shelter, Sindhupalchowk

Reestablishing Health Shelters in Quake affected Areas

SWAN in close coordination with Ministry of Health and District Health Office reestablished 6 health shelters in the quake affected districts; Sindhupalchowk and Gorkha in order to resume basic health care services in the community level in 2016. This project was funded by action medeor and Apothecker Ohne Grenzen (AoG) of Germany.

- Completed 4 Semi Permanent Health Shelters in Gorkha district and 2 Semi Permanent Health Shelters in Sindhupalchowk district. SWAN also provided medical equipments, medicines and furniture to these Health Shelters. In total, 8 Health Shelters were built under this project.
- Approximately 38,400 people are receiving regular services from these 8 health shelters.



I was glad when SWAN immediately responded to address one of the most important needs of community affected by the earthquake. SWAN provided medicines, medical equipments and health shelter along with toilet facility which benefit the people of my community.

- Karma Lama

Local man, Gunsakot VDC, Sindhupalchowk

Phinam Drinking Water Support Project, Gorkha

In Gorkha, the people of Pantheswara community at Phinam were facing the problem of water shortages as the water sources were dried due to the post effects of Earthquake. 110 households of this community were having miserable lives without water. SWAN helped Pantheswara Drinking Water Users Committee to buy water pump, pipes, electric wires and reservoir tank to supply adequate water from the far reservoir to the community. This project was funded by SWAN Deutschland e.V.

"We were compelled to walk long distances to fetch water as the water sources have vanished due to the earthquake. We have to provide water to livestock's, maintain sanitation, cleaning and household chores. Finally, we have water in our tap. So we are happy that it will save our time and energy. There is no need of leaving the settlement."

- Maya Kunwar

Local woman, Pantheswara Committee, Gorkha

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016

INCOME

Donors	Amount (NPR)
SWAN-Deutschland e.V	15,028,627.00
IMPULS PROJEKT FONDS	2,123,523.35
Apotheker Ohne Grenzen (AOG) -	1,784,860.00
action medeor- RHS Project	1,810,860.00
Apotheker Ohne Grenzen (AoG) - RHS Project	1,785,365.16
Phase UK	112024.22
Total	22,891,765.54

EXPENDITURE

Program/Project	Amount (NPR)
Education & Child Development Programs	12,534,772.00
Scholarship Program	1,831,664.00
ECED Program	922,956.00
Teacher Support for Community School	322,000.00
School Reconstruction in Fulpingdanda VDC of Sindhupalchowk District	9458152.00
Health Programs	
Reestablishing Health Shelter in Quake-affected Area of Gorkha and Sindhupalchowk District (RHS Project)	5,436,966.00
Standard Treatment Protocol Project (STP)	2,498,110.00
Established BC in Remote Area of Gorkha	221,543.00
Finam Drinking Water Project	367,188.00
Medicine Support to Health Facilities	149,504.00
Livelihood & Women Empowerment Programs	2,106,432.00
Construction of Training Center for Milijuli Women Group of Bhakunde VDC, Baglung	1,967,987.00
Women Empowerment through IGP Programs	138,445.00
Organization Development and Capacity Building	72,114.00
Project Evaluation & Monitoring	173,376.00
Administrative Exp.	1,598,626.00
Total	25,158,631.00