KATHMANDU

Trees for Kathmandu

Our planting campaign of 200 trees at the Matrika Eye Center in Kathmandu was well received by the locals in the Sinamangal quarter and the local press. The fundraising campaign "A tree for Kathmandu – 25 Euro" is running successfully in Germany.

During the next monsoon, we would like to plant another 200 trees. **Please support us!**

Matrika Eye Center Kathmandu

All the equipment sponsored by Nepalmed is permanently used, e.g. a portable Karl Kaps OP microscope for ophthalmological examinations and cataract surgeries, an A-Scan for diagnostics and an Auto Edging device for edging spectacle lenses. *Arne Drews*



KIRTIPUR HOSPITAL



In February 2022 we handed over the children's ward, which was expanded for 60,000 Euros. The Leipzig artist Michael Fischer-Art painted the ward together with Nepalmed supporters, nurses, doctors and patients' parents. Shining children's eyes were a wonderful thank-you. Unfortunately, the paediatric preventive care project in Kirtipur is currently running only at half power. There are further bureaucratic obstacles. 24-Gute-Taten has promised funding for one year. Alena Kuhlmann / Arne Drews



PROJECT WORK IN GERMANY

The event season has picked up speed. The lectures by Michael Reiser, Arne Drews and Rüdiger Wenzel were a promising start. After Rüdiger Wenzel's very successful photo exhibition about "Nepal and the project work of Nepalmed" at



the building of the Medical Association Rostock, a photo exhibition on the same theme was opened at Parchim town hall in April and at the Globetrotter branch in Dresden in October.

On 23 September, Silke and Arne Drews attended the Nepalese National Day reception in Berlin. Arne Drews

SPECIAL APPRECIATION



Sybille Keller has been honoured with the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany for her many years of voluntary work. We warmly congratulate her and wish her much strength for further tireless commitment!

Edition A Nepalmed





Edition Nepalmed has published wonderful photo books, exciting thrillers, a colouring book for children as well as a photo calendar and an art calendar for 2023 from Michael Fischer-Art's travel diary. Matching mugs are already sold out. Orders via www.nepalmed.de/shop/

NEPALMED IN NUMBERS

24 Water filtration stations built

200 Trees planted in Kathmandu

Health insurance for > 80% of patients at Amppipal Hospital

60,000 Euros for expansion of the children's ward at Kirtipu Stiftung **Annual Report** NEPALMED 2022



Editorial

The introduction of health insurance in Nepal is slow process, although it is the key to escaping poverty. According to Nepalese researcher Binita Paudel the people's education and their understanding of a system of mutual solidarity are inadequate. Patients

demand unnecessary examinations in order to exhaust the amount covered by the insurance at the end of the year. The insurance workers, who go from house to house, are paid poorly. Hospitals do not know what data they are supposed to provide or provide them inadequately. The administrative staff is overwhelmed by the flood of records. Nevertheless, more than 80% of the patients at Amppipal Hospital have opted for the insurance.

Nepalmed continues to support the medical partners to secure the basis of medical care.

We thank you all very much for your support and wish you a happy Holiday season and a good start into the new year.

Yours sincerely, Arne Drews / Chairperson Nepalmed e.V.

We cordially invite you to the general meeting at the Zeitgeschichtliches Forum Leipzig, Grimmaische Str. 6, 04109 Leipzig, on Saturday, 3 June 2023.

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AMPPIPAL



Amppipal Hospital

Hospital manager Babu Ram Giri reported the receipt of a lump sum of NPR 8 m from the health insurance provider for the cases submitted by Amppipal Hospital. He was not able to pay staff for the last few months because the money did not come in. Nepalmed advanced the salaries for two months. The dental ward is running soundly, as Sybille Keller reported. The oxygen system, an investment of USD 100,000, works well. Six German Rotary Clubs under the direction of Warburg together with Nepalmed and ANMF jointly financed this project. In February, the hospital's new water purification plant was completed, made possible by RC Vogtland Schloss Voigtsberg.

Electronic Health Record was also successfully introduced. Matrika Eye Centre hosted a 3-day eye camp in Amppipal. Eye operations were performed on about 80 patients from the surrounding villages every day. *Arne Drews*

HEALTH POSTS



Health Posts at Solu District, Province 1

A visit to all Nepalmed-supported health posts in Solu Khumbu in the spring of 2022 revealed a well working structure. The majority of the staff were also involved in the Covid vaccination campaigns. There was a warm reception everywhere – the gratitude for our support is big. In addition, Nepalmed sponsors the school lunch at the primary school in Phera. According to the school principal, all the children actually come to school, including all the girls. This complete implementation of compulsory school attendance is probably also due to the offer of free lunch. The PAUL water filters procured by Nepalmed are working perfectly. *Birgit Kirsch*

ADDITIONAL PROJECT WORK

Collaboration with Club 50 in Nepal

Our partner Club 50 distributed tents, clothing, food and other essential items in the course of the pandemic in Kathmandu Valley and as part of the flood relief in Saptari. In total, help was provided in 24 locations, orphanages, schools and for organisations for street children. The soup kitchen in Bouddha fed up to 300 people a day. The current campaign includes the installation of a PAUL water filtration appliance at the Khagendra Nawa Jiwan Disabled Center in Jorpati. Ninety physically and mentally disabled people are cared for there. Despite government support, the center relies mainly on foreign donations. KP Maskey





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