

Income generating tree plantation project for poor community in rural area

Project Reference: 88

► How will this project help?

This is a poor community where families have little income and limited resources. The stretch of land that this project is based on belongs to the community collectively, but it is currently not in use and lies unproductive. There use to be trees growing on this land, but these have been cut down over the years by the villagers. Through improved education, this community has now come to understand the value of the land and its potential for generating much needed income in the longer term. The community would like the opportunity to re-plant this area with local trees such as Sisoo and Saal which can be used as a sustainable supply of fodder, timber and fuel if the forest is maintained and managed well. This is a long term plan for the community and will help to support this poor community for many years to come.

► Cost of Project

Costs are given in the local currency, Nepalese Rupees (NRS). This is because all items are bought locally in Nepal to reduce costs and to support the local economy.

Cost breakdown

Seedlings: 1000 pc x 10 NRS = 10,000 NRS
 Transportation of the seedlings = 5000 NRS
 Labour: 10,000 NRS
 Project Implementation costs= 3500 NRS
 Local bank charges to receive funds= 350 NRS

Total cost of project in local currency = 28850 NRS

► **Total Cost of Project in Pounds =**
£240.42

► Who needs help with this Project?

The community living in Bhimpokhara Village, Baglung

► Where is this project needed?

Baglung District, Nepal



► Nepal Factfile

- ◆ Population: 23.1 million
- ◆ Average annual income: US\$ 220
- ◆ Often described as the “country of villages” with over 80 % of the population living in over 40,000 villages, some of which are located in remote mountainous regions.
- ◆ Only 28% of the population have access to adequate sanitation
- ◆ Every year 35,000 children still lose their lives due to diarrhoea.
- ◆ 76% of adult females are illiterate



Community forestry in Nepal can contribute to both; Capital generation in rural communities and contribution in the process of community empowerment and social change.
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