

## Completed Project:



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### Project Report

**Project Ref:** 49  
**Cost of the Project:** 115  
**Name of Project:** Trail Construction

We are pleased to inform you that the above project that you kindly sponsored has now been completed. It was finished on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2004. Please find attached with this report a photo of the completed project.

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A PSD representative organized a community meeting to discuss different proposals for a number of community issues. This project is the outcome of these discussions where the community were able to identify and prioritise their problems in their day to day life.

Every morning farmers use a path to go to market to sell their milk. They have been facing enormous problems because of the difficult hilly terrain and path that they have to take. There was a high level of community participation in this project and without their participation the work would not have been a success. People from the village participated in terms of collecting stone broke by skilled labourers and they also prepared the ground for laying the stone trail. The community also helped the hired skilled labour by providing tools and local materials. There was also help from surrounding villages which bought the community together and added foreign assistance from a group of volunteers from Aberdeen University. PSD Nepal monitored the visit during the implementation of the project, and helped the community by facilitating between the different groups involved. The overall success of the programme was excellent as the impact to the community immediately made a real difference in the day to day workings of their livelihoods. The trail provided people with an easy and safe route for transporting heavy loads to the local market.

The impact of this project created a sense of awareness for the community around their own abilities to further the development of their local area. The overall attitude of the people changed, and this project has helped to create a more proactive community organisation.

#### **Community Feedback:**

*"This kind of small initiative funded by PSD Nepal and JustAid has been a success for our own development and created a long term impact for our community...this is our*

*great opportunity to change our attitude and behaviour for betterment of us”, remarks older member of the community who participated everyday in the project.*

*“This project will bring us positive change...we need to allow some part of our lives in community work ...we have a lot of resources, we only need interest, enthusiasm...the support from outsiders is to push us, and rest is up to us”, local resident*

*“We can't express out great heartfelt thanks for the support of this project. By words it's hard to choose us the proper word to express out deep gratitude and feelings. We consider ourselves as the luckiest community to receive 15000 NRS for constructing the trail in our community. The supporter of the project made us the winner. Your support made us success to lead our day to day life more happy then before. We can only feel from our inner heart to those who took initiative by the various level of supports. Since we were never recognized by any outsiders, Just Aid International made it possible. Many thanks go towards those who made great effort made by PSD Nepal, JustAid International and ultimately the person or organization who funded this project. Finally we are always welcome your valuable suggestion and support making our life easier through development”, community leader*

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**On behalf of the community who will benefit, many thanks for supporting this project.**

## Trail improvement for isolated villagers

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### ► How will this project help?

This is a very hilly area and in the rainy season, the trail becomes hazardous through damage from rainwater. It is a relatively poor village and they are unable to meet all the costs to reconstruct the trail. The trail is 2km long and support for this project is needed urgently as work needs to start by April 2004 before the onset of the monsoon. The local community are able to provide all of the unskilled labour needed to rebuild the trail, but need support for the materials.

### ► Cost of Project

Cost breakdown

Cement:  $30 \times 350 = 10500$  NRS Skilled labour  
 $15 \times 300 = 4500$  NRS Total cost of project: 15000 NRS

Total cost of project in local currency = 15000 NRS

### ► Total Cost of Project in Pounds = £125

### ► Who needs help with this Project?

This trail links a remote village to the nearest road. It is used daily by villagers going to market to sell milk and also by local school children.

### ► Where is this project needed?

western dev. Region Tanahun 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