

**To: All**  
**From: Rita/Meera**  
**Date: 31 August, 2016**  
**Subject: Aanandi 3 Update - 7**

### **Building Work As It Moves:**



The highlight for this month was the casting of the slab over the ground floor. It took over 10 hours with over 30 labourers working with only a little break to have food prepared for them by Tewa. The day was cloudy with no rain – this made it easy for the workers and ensured the slab

was well cast. Now the casting of pillars for the next floor is also finished, and now we have been assured that by the middle of the next month, the final slab over the first floor will also be casted ensuring that the skeletal structure of the building is up.

On the other hand, a guest room has been fast completed above the new guardroom on the western boundary of Tewa. It has been christened "**Aanandkuti**" meaning the bliss-hut ☺!

### **Funding for Aanandi 3:**

*"I will not forget that I have promised to make a donation to the new Aanandi 3. It will be later this year."* This comforting email arrived promptly on the 1<sup>st</sup> August from **Penny Stevens** in Auckland, Australia! Likewise **Dr. Susanne E. Jalbert** went a bit farther and **convinced Women Have Wings** to make us a grant of **US \$ 5000!** Furthermore when an opportune moment arrived for her friend Barbara to make a birthday gift of **US \$ 1000** she convinced her to make the gift to us!

*But sadly Susanne's husband Bill, encountered a serious mishap of a fall – that has required 3 surgeries luckily all were successful. I appeal all of you to **kindly send your prayers and good energies for Bill** speedy recovery and Susanne's strength being put to test for sure.*

### **Local Fundraising:**

This month we held the A3 FR Event on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Thirty people including us attended this event. Tewa allies, donors, volunteers, and 7 new perspective donors attended the event. As usual participants appreciated and enjoyed the event, which was a balance

of information, entertainment, and a walk about of the Tewa Center followed by refreshments. With follow-ups over time, we can be hopeful for a A3 gift!

The most historically notable gift arrived from **Urmila & Sashi R. Pandey** – and without the asking!

On the 14<sup>th</sup> Urmila (my friend from college) called to say that she would be sending me a cheque since she could not make a visit to Tewa in the near future as I had requested her. As promised, that same day her beautiful daughter-in-law arrived **with a Rs. 500,000 cheque!**



Never before have I received an unsolicited cheque from a Nepali donor! **Meera Arjel**, Tewa past president, informed me that she is working with one of her uncles and is convinced he will at least make a gift of **Rs. 300,000**. He being out of station, sadly the money could not come to us this month.

<b>Dedicated Funds for the Building of Aanandi3</b>			
<b>As of July, 2016</b>			
<b>International Donors</b>	<b>Pledges in US \$</b>	<b>Received in US \$</b>	<b>Expenditures so far in US\$</b>
Michael Cooke & Juliet Huntley with friends		1,000	Cement, iron rods, bricks, labour for the boundary walls, guard house, and the Aanandi 3 foundation work so far.  So this month we made no additional payments & have approximately given less than half of the costs to the construction
Marta Drury		1,000 (sent for SC)	
Her Karl Mueller Und		982.50 (sent for SC)	
Anonymous		5,000	
Louise Davis		25,000	
Gaea Foundation		10,000	
Tewa Tea		3,809.52	
Barbara Ras		100	
Flora Foundation	10,000		
Anonymous	5,000		
Martha Easter-Wells		950	
<b>Total from Int'l donors</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>47,842.02</b>	
<b>Nepali Donors</b>	<b>Pledges in US \$</b>	<b>Received in US \$</b>	
New Progressive Designer		234.52	

Rita Thapa		9,523.81	company.
Dr. Bhawani & Renata Narsigh Rana		9,523.81	
Deepak Dewan	2,533.33	323.81	
Dr. Suman & Riva Thapa	2,857.14		
Maggie Shah	4,762.00		
Urmila & Shashi R. Pandey		4,762.00	
<b>Total from Nepali donors</b>	<b>10,152.14</b>	<b>24,367.95</b>	
TC saving from 2015		12,000	
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>25,152.14</b>	<b>84,209.97</b>	

### Conclusions:

Many of us have invested quite some time and energy in speaking to multiple perspective donors. The follow-ups for our invitees, who attended the past A3 FR Events, are being done by the respective point person for the invited guest/s. I feel hopeful. With the Tewa philanthropy manager, we are planning two A3 FR Events this September . These can only be good for us all 😊!