

To: All
From: Rita/Meera
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Building Work As It Moves:



We can see that the skeletal of the A3 is ready. Brickwork on the ground floor is also finished. After the Tihar holidays the brickwork will move to the first floor and terrace. Then the plaster, plumbing and electric work will begin. After the initial glitches in availability of raw materials, work is moving smoothly.

We do think a soft opening around March/April 2017 is possible. But we will have the big opening of A3 in September or October by professor Han Verschure & Marleen Iterbeke who literally saved Aannadi 1 for us and laid out the planning and design of A3. You are all invited during either/both occasion/s. I will keep you informed.



Funding for Aanandi 3:

Promptly this month Michael Cooke from Toronto wrote: *"Juliet and I will bring a gift of \$1,000 US to help with Aanandi 3. (If we can, we will try to find a way to make the gift bigger".)* Likewise, Regina Mueller wrote from Switzerland saying *"We will have some more fund-raising later this year and will not forget to assist you and your team for the wonderful commitment you invest to those who need it".* These are very heartwarming and most encouraging words! But promptly during the Dasain

festival we received \$ 1000 into our banks from Regina & Karl Mueller! They just did not wait! We were more gratefully surprised with an additional gift of \$ 25,000 we received from one of our long time supporters wishing to remain anonymous.

Local Fundraising:

Although our efforts in local fund-raising, has been no less, we were not lucky to raise much money this month. Srijana Patak, Tewa Admin/HR manager who brought in her two cousins Amrit/Meenu Basnyat & Gen. Naresh/Anita Basnyat is doing the due follow-ups. Likewise Janaki Shah our Board member now, who already had Sharada Bhattarai make a gift of \$ 1000, is following up to see if she can kindly enlarge her gift. Miraculously, on the 26th Tewa volunteer/supporter **Chhetey Gurung walked in quietly to offer 30,000 rupees** (no mean amount for Nepalis) for the building of Aanandi 3! Rita has been taking other visitors to Aanandi 3, and she also requested the **Executive Director of GFCF, Jenny Hodgson** (during her recent visit to Nepal) to kindly help make linkages for us where she can, if she sees that there are mutually interested people.

At the end of the month, Ivy Thapa (Tewa's Monitoring & Learning Manager) and her husband **Architect Kishore Thapa** brought in their long time friend the **Consulate General of Nepal based in New South Whales, Australia Deepak K. Khadka** for an introduction of our work and the



upcoming building Aanandi 3. Deepak ji very kindly had a listening ear for our current campaign and promised to connect and help where possible. And wasn't it just lucky that Rita could show them the Tewa Center now Deep Yogini, video which is just completed!

Dedicated Funds for the Building of Aanandi3			
As of October 2016			
International Donors	Pledges in US \$	Received in US \$	Expenditures US\$
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 Roof casting & brickworks at ground level so far. We already have
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 (via Susanne Jalbert)		3,809.52	

Barbara Ras		100	approximately US \$ 120,000 outstanding bill to pay the contractors for work done so far.
Flora Foundation		10,000	
Anonymous	5,000		
Martha Easter-Wells		950	
Tides Foundation	5,000		
Lee & Penny	1,000		
Cindy Ewing	1,000		
Susanne Jalbert with Women on Wings	5,000		
Susanne Jalbert with Barbara	1,000		
Anonymous		25,000	
Total from Int'l donors	18,000	82,842.02	
Nepali Donors	Pledges in US \$	Received in US \$	
New Progressive Designer		234.52	
Rita Thapa		9,523.81	
Dr. Bhawani & Renata Narsigh Rana		9,523.81	
Deepak Dewan	2,466.67	390.47	
Dr. Suman & Riva Thapa	2,857.14		
Maggie Shah	4,762.00		
Urmila & Sashi Pandey		4,762.00	
Meera Jyoti	4,762.00	4,762.00	
Sharada Bhattarai		952.38	
Chhetey Gurung		285.71	
Total from Nepali donors	14,847.81	30,434.70	
TC saving from 2015		12,000	
Grand total	32,847.81	125,276.72	114,203.00

Conclusions:

Our Tewa Center, now Deepa Yogini, brief video is just completed by NA communications officer Ganga Sagar Rai. Tracy Gary sent us some important feedback which we could not incorporate perfectly owing to the holiday season – but we will soon. Do please take a look and send us your feedbacks:

<https://vimeo.com/189302825>

Happy Tihar to all of you!