

To: All
From: Rita/Meera
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Subject: Aanandi 3 Update - 8

Building Work As It Moves:



As you can see from this picture that Aanandi 3's structure is fully complete! In the picture (top-L), we can view 5 of Tewa infrastructures: Aanandi 3, Aanandi 1, and Tewa Office on the right side one behind the other, and Aanandi 2 (backside and Aadhar on the left side. The view is from the remaining

rice fields on Tewa's western boundary. Furthermore we also inaugurated the **Aanandkuti**, by **Abha Bhaiya**, a leading feminist activist, based in India. This is the guestroom above the guardroom,. This will be a multipurpose room, which can double up for a residential manager (when Tewa has one) as well work as an additional guestroom. Work has moved fast and continues to, despite the dawning big holiday of Dasain in October. Our fundraising has not quite matched up, but I hope a windfall will happen soon and wipe off our worries and pressures from the contractors!☺ Brickwork on the A3 has also begun. If possible we hope to run the Aanandi 3 already by the beginning of January 2017!

Funding for Aanandi 3:

Promptly on the 1st, I opened my email to receive these words and gift from my old time friend Cindy Ewing: *"There will be \$ 1000 coming your way soon...life has been more complex then usual here, and I've not been as attentive to you and Tewa as I would like to be....!"* Is she kidding! There has not been a time when Cindy has not gifted generously to Tewa, throughout the past 21 years! Similarly on 5th I received Penny Steven's email reading *"Lee and I have discussed our contribution to this wonderful goal. We can manage \$ 1000 New Zealand and will commit to sending the money in December/January."* This month we furthermore received via Susanne Jalbert US \$ 5000 + US \$ 1000 mobilized through her network of friends and community.

So at the least we have received contributions of up to US \$ 8000 this month!

Local Fundraising:



Meera Jyoti's gift of 5 lacs and a pledge of an additional 5 lacs rupees to make it the full A3 Campaign gift of US \$ 10,000, provided us the springboard for our local fundraising this month. Janaki Shah worked with Tewa volunteer Puja Upadhyay to ensure a gift from Puja's aunt Sharada Bhattarai. She, a widowed Nepali Hindu woman at 84 years, wrote her own cheque of Rs. 100,000 or US \$ 1000! This is very precious given our context. Srijana, Tewa's Admin/HR Manager is working on her cousins (who paid a visit to Tewa) Amrit/Binu Basnyat and Naresh/Anita Basnyat for a gift. On Rita's invitation, the Ex-Election Commissioner Bhoj Raj/Amuda Pokhrel and the Ex-Chief Secretary and Ambassador designate to China Leela Mani/Radha Poudel also visited Tewa. Symbolic gifts of money were received – but this visit brought in appreciations and will no doubt enable and allow for Tewa & NA's increased visibility. Regarding meeting the set goal of US \$ 100,000 from Nepalis, we can be quite confident that this will happen as we continue to put in our collective efforts, by the end of march 2017.

Dedicated Funds for the Building of Aanandi3			
As of September 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, guardroom/Aandkuti, and the Aanandi 3 structural work so far. We have paid less than half of the
Marta Drury		1,000 (sent for SC)	
Herr Karl Mueller Und Regina Mueller		982.50 (sent for SC)	
Anonymous		5,000	
Louise Davis		25,000	
Gaea Foundation		10,000	
Tewa Tea		3,809.52	

Barbara Ras		100	incurred costs to the construction company.
Flora Foundation	10,000		
Anonymous	5,000		
Martha Easter-Wells		950	
Tides Foundation	5,000		
Lee & Penny	1,000		
Cindy Ewing	1,000		
Women with Wings via Susanne Jalbert	5,000		
Susanne Jalbert with Barbara	1,000		
Total from Int'l donors	28,000	47,842.02	
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 Pandey		4,762.00	
Meera Jyoti	4,762.00	4,762.00	
Sharada Bhattarai		952.38	
Total from Nepali donors	14,847.81	30,148.99	
TC saving from 2015		12,000	
Grand total	42,847.81	89,991.01	89,441.09

Conclusions:

As we all know, fundraising is very time consuming and relationship building work. It is challenging to attempt this with new people we are reaching out to, yet one never knows! With the completion of the A3, Tewa will have 11 well appointed new rooms overlooking vegetable gardens and trees. This will bring the number of guest rooms to 30 and 2 dormitories for 40 people. The Tewa Center will run to its full capacity after this little hump! Please help spread the word like our ambassador extraordinaire Susanne Jalbert did this month! We count on each of you! Thank you!