

Tewa's Quarterly Newsletter

January - March 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

Deep Prajwolan

We're looking forward to see you at our next Deep Prajwolan on **17th May**.

Musical Event

On **25th May** we will host our 5th musical event at Tewa. Please join us for great music, delicious snacks, and more information about our philosophy of modern philanthropy.

25th years of Tewa

In 2020 we are going to celebrate

Silver jubilee of Tewa.

We will be publishing the 4th edition of "Priyajanko Samjahana ra Kadar ma". We target to raise 10 lakhs.

Contact us, if you are interested to design a page in remembrance and honor of your loved ones.



Walk-a-thon

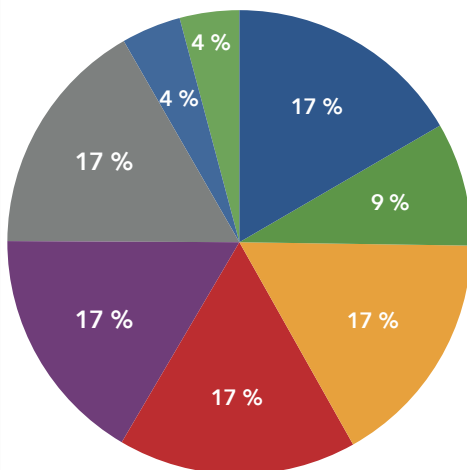
More than 150 people joined us for the walk-a-thon on 16th February. The walk started from Khumaltar and continued all the way to Thaiba until the destination of Godamchaur. The walk was brought along with lots of enthusiasm, advocacy for women rights, and the traditional Dhime Baaja.

Deepak Dewan, Development Director concluded the program by thanking the organizations that sponsored the event, participants and our grantee group who had prepared the snacks for participants. The chairperson from one of the women's group of Godamchaur also expressed happiness for the support they received from Tewa.

We raised NRs. 3,16,270/- from this event and would like to thank our donors, supporters, volunteers, and partners for making this event a huge success.

Grant Making

- Sexual & Reproductive Health Rights
- Legal Rights
- Organisational Development
- Economic Empowerment
- VAW
- Environment Justice
- Political Rights
- Capacity Building



A community woman from Nawalparashi



Participants of Sustainable Agriculture in Nawalparashi

We are happy to announce that 21 grants, total of NRs.

41,01,500/- were disbursed to our grantee partners to support different issues of women.

The grants disbursed during this period achieved our first and third grant making goals i.e. support initiatives aimed transforming the lives of most vulnerable and marginalized women as well as strengthen movement in order to mobilize a critical mass of women who can engage, advocate and influence.

In this cycle, we also reached out to one more district (Gulmi). During the period, we covered 12 districts in 5 different provinces.

Capacity building

Looking back to our five Capacity Building Trainings between January and March.

In cooperation with Grow Innova, we organized two trainings on Sustainable Agriculture in Nawalparashi. 55 grantee partners of Tewa understood the ideas behind climate resilient agriculture so that they could adopt good practices to secure sustainable livelihood. As well, a leadership and team building training was held for 14 participants of Lahar Srijana in Nawalparashi.

More over, a review Meeting with 10 grantee partner organizations, who received grants from a GFCF Fund (Global Fund for Community Foundation) was held. The participants reviewed their projects about socio economic empowerment, awareness on SRHR, advocacy on land rights as well as legal rights and measured their impacts.

Apart from these trainings, we also organized orientation program on Climate Change and Environment Management in coordination with one of the grantee partners of Banepa: Mahila Jagaran Samuha, and Prakriti Resource Center.



Group work on the indicators of L,M&E at Dhankuta



10 Process Monitoring



12 Evaluation



Participants of the 47th volunteer training

Learning, Monitoring & Evaluation

We are pleased to announce that our yearly L,M&E report is processing to the draft. 22 frameworks of our projects are compiled and analyzed. The frameworks are designed in accordance to Tewa's L,M&E model which portrays the impact of grants in qualitative / quantitative indicators. The report also shows change matrix and organizational governance issue through using right based approach / feminist principle.

Key learning of our visits:

- ◆ Through our grants, women were able to form groups and raise awareness for women issues.
- ◆ After attending our trainings, women have shown positive changes in their thoughts and behavior like treating sons and daughters equally, increased harmony between caste groups, and develop the habit of saving. They even participate and take leadership roles in local communities.
- ◆ Regarding the grants to raise political awareness, changes among women have been observed. They became active during election campaigns, use their voting rights and few of them were elected for local government posts.
- ◆ The awareness trainings have created an open environment to talk about violence, reproductive health problems, and social taboos. Affected women were informed and referred to the support systems.

Volunteers training

We conducted a volunteers training for 22 participants including 20 female and two male. The volunteers got to know Tewa's philosophy and activities. Furthermore they learned about the need and the importance of volunteerism, local fundraising and feminism.

A panel discussion about the civil code was conducted on 21st January 2019. The volunteers were caught up on new and amended laws in Nepal.



Young Women Leadership

In the schools of our community we placed boards to raise awareness against polygamy and to equip student, teachers, and visitors with proper information about its negative impact.

In addition, street dramas about polygamy were performed in three places of Dhapakhel to raise awareness in public. The drama was conducted in coordination with Falchha Nepal.

Mentorship Program

Three days of Mentorship training was held on February 4-6, 2019 at Tewa and was facilitated by Ms Sadhana Shrestha and Ms. Meena Sharma. The training was organized to introduce the concept of mentorship as well as to enhance the understanding of our mentors on leadership, organizational development, and feminism.

Outcomes:

- ◆The participants got a clear understanding on Mentorship Project and have been trained to be mentors.
- ◆The grantee organizations were able to understand the project and clarify their confusion.

Achievements

- ◆The interaction session provided a platform to understand the mentee organizations and to build relationship with them.
- ◆All the mentors have been deployed to their respective organizations and the grantees are very supportive towards the Mentorship project.
- ◆Mentors are very enthusiastic and committed to support their respective grantee partners, to grow as an independent and sustainable organization.



Bishnu Thapa one of our mentors during the training.



FUNDRAISING UPDATE FROM JAN - MARCH



Annual Donations

NPR 2,46,187/-



Campaigns

NPR 39,309/-



Events

NPR 3,16,720/-

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Tewa Center (*Deepyogini*)

Until the end of March 2019, eleven national and international organizations hosted their program in Deepyogini (DY). Tewa and Nagarik Aawaz used DY multiple times. During these period, 1259 persons stayed overnight whereas 817 persons were day participants in those events. In March we had the largest single day event when we successfully hosted a program for 190 people and catered lunch to them. This was the largest number of people we had serviced so far in one day!

Tewa's long time donor and friend Marji Greenhut, visited Tewa and had lunch with us. She expressed her gratitude when she saw her name engraved in Sampanna Campaign Monuments

From January to March, we produced and sold Rs. 57,393 worth of different fresh vegetables from our organic vegetable gardens. Those vegetables were either sold to our Santoshi kitchen or staff.

The major electricity system rectification work was carried out and completed in March.



Nagarik Aawaz Youth Programme in Aadhar hall