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Emergency food assistance for destitute people Nepal Province 2 – including Rautahat, District; Parsa District; and Bara District

Funds received: 15/12/2021 Amount of grant: GBP 19,425 Conversion rate: Exchange rate based on 1 GBP = 160.84 Nepalese Rupee (16.11.21) Total number of beneficiaries: 300 families (1,488 people) Expenditure: GBP 19,425

Background

We are grateful to the Eagle Foundation for supporting IMPACT Nepal's ongoing efforts to combat the food insecurity and hunger which is affecting people who have been hit hard by pandemic-related job losses and lockdowns. In Province-2, where this project is located, a significant proportion of the population remain food insecure, with vulnerable households including disabled people, disproportionately impacted. The Nepalese government has urged local authorities to address the food needs of vulnerable groups but in reality they do not have the resources to do so. 'The economic downturn caused by Covid has increased the economic instability, health inequalities and social disparities in Nepal which has caused a huge impact on the poverty levels in our project areas. We have seen the return of large numbers of migrant workers and there is rising unemployment. As a result, there is an increase in the number of people experiencing food insecurity' - IMPACT Nepal. Although some areas of the economy are now picking up, Relief Web surveys indicate that rising food prices are a major concern for 20% of households and lost income and inflation has created a precarious food security situation for vulnerable sections of socity.



'I was helpless and without food. IMPACT Nepal appeared as an angel to me with this support. I'd like to extend my gratitude to IMPACT Nepal and their supporters'

Report on activities

Your generous grant enabled IMPACT Nepal to respond to requests for food aid from the municipal authorities in Rautahat, Parsa and Bara districts. IMPACT Nepal has worked in these areas over many years, knows the communities well and was able to work in cooperation with community leaders and local officials to ensure that the people most in need of assistance were identified and supported. In total, 1,488 people have benefited from the food distributed as a result of this grant.

IMPACT Nepal also collaborated with their trusted NGO colleagues, including the 'Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential School' in Rautahat. This school provides education for hearing impaired children from poor backgrounds who come from across the region. Contributions of food and other living expenses from parents and patrons have declined in line with the fall in household incomes and they were extremely grateful to receive this extra food. The 'Nepal Disabled Help Association' in Bara also identified 60 struggling individuals in need of support. Food packages contained a three-month supply of rice, pulses, cooking oil, salt and soap.



Supplies were donated to the 60 pupils, teachers and support staff at the 'Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential School' in Rautahat. They received several month's worth of food, enabling them to stay learning in their residential school. Ms. Mahima Jha, along with all of the other students and school representatives, expressed gratitude to IMPACT for its assistance to this school during these difficult times.

Table showing the	Relief Distribution:
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Total number of	Area
beneficiaries	
1,011 (169 families)	Gaur and Rajpur Municipality, Rautahat District
81 (children, teachers and	Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential School, Basatpur, Rajdevi
support staff)	Municipality, Rautahat District
336 (56 families)	Bahudarmai Municipality, Parsa District
60 individuals	Nepal Disabled Help Association, Jeetpur Simara, Bara District
1,488	

Case Stories as reported by IMPACT Nepal

'Story of Mahima - Mahima's family consists of six individuals (parents, two older sisters, and one brother along with her). She has had a hearing impairment since she was a child. She is in class 6 and has been attending Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential School for the past six years for her education. Her academic standing is excellent and her dream is to become a banker. She is pictured here with Mrs. Neha Jha, a deaf student's sign language instructor She teaches sign language to pupils at Mahima's school from grades 1 to 8. The school has a residence for the boarding pupils. Despite the Municipality's best efforts to provide food security to this school during this tough post-COVID period, it was insufficient and children were at risk of being sent home. IMPACT Nepal provided relief packages for this school that included – including 930 kg of rice, 93 kg of pulses, 184 litres of oil, 164 packets of salt and sugar, and 144 pieces of soap.'



'Story of Mohammad - Mohammad (32) is a permanent resident of Rajpur-Rautahat. He is physically small and has a disabling curvature on his spine, meaning he has difficulty bearing weight and is restricted in the type of work he can do. Belonging to a family of poor financial status and having responsibility for seven family members (ageing parents, wife, and little daughters), he had gone to India to find work but due to the COVID lockdowns, he had to return home. After some time, he tried to return again to India but he was unable to find work and returned home with empty hands. During this time his family could only eat one meal per day. He expressed gratitude to IMPACT for the food relief and for its humanitarian efforts and prayed for his fortunes to turn'.





Feedback from local beneficiaries:



'IMPACT Nepal is supporting to Rajpurians through its various activities. During this hard time, IMPACT Nepal again has come with relief packages for people with disability. Thanks to IMPACT Nepal for this support.'

Mayor Mr. Md. Shekh Sakil Akthar of Rajpur Municipality, Rautahat



'IMPACT Nepal has distributed relief packages to all people with disabilities in our area. Though my disabled cousin could not attend the distribution as he cannot walk, IN has allowed me to collect the relief package on his behalf. Thanks to IMPACT Nepal for such an effective contribution.' 'I feel IMPACT believes in action rather than words! Your assistance will be extremely beneficial to our students with hearing disabilities in terms of food security during this pandemic. This is the most amount of relief assistance we have ever received to date.'

Principal Asha Jha of Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential Basic School



'IMPACT is among those who is helping people with different disabilities during this difficult time. Many thanks to IMPACT Nepal for this Programme.' Chairman, Nepal Disabled Help Association



Thank you for this timely food distribution programme which has helped so many vulnerable people at a difficult time in their lives. The distributions were conducted in the presence of the Mayors from the municipalities and the staff and volunteers of IMPACT Nepal, and their respective letters of appreciation and verification are included in the appendix of this report.

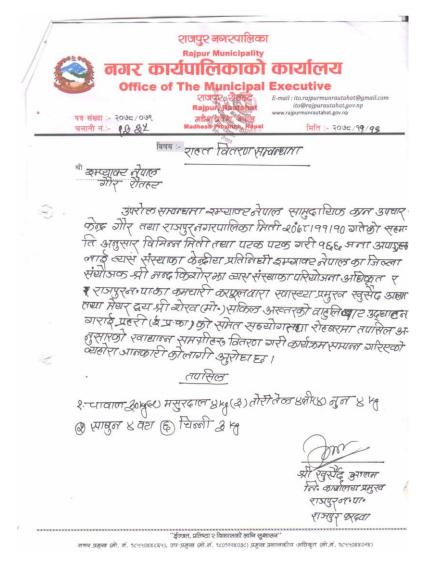
'The existence of food insecurity is still prevalent in our project areas and we are grateful to the donor for helping us to alleviate this problem for people in their hour of need when they are living hand to mouth. The support was highly appreciated and we a thank you on behalf of IMPACT Nepal.' – IMPACT Nepal

Expenditure:

	Unit cost (per family, per month)	Budget 3 month supply for 300 families	Expenditure 3 month supply for 300 families
Emergency food assistance parcels	20	18,000	18,000
30 kg rice	15	13,500	13,500
Salt	1	900	900
Dal (pulses) 3kg	2	1,800	1,800
Cooking oil 2 litre	1	900	900
Soap	1	900	900
Logistics and transportation	-	500	500
Sub-total	-	18,500	18,500
Project Management @5%	-	925	925
Grand total	-	19,425	19,425

Exchange rate based on 1 GBP = 160.84 Nepalese Rupee (16.11.21)

Letters of independent verification:



Translated letter from Rajpur Municipality (Local Government) Rajpur Municipality Office of the Municipal Executive Rajpur, Rautahat Madhesh Province-Nepal

Letter no: 2078/2079 Ref No. : 1335 Date: 3rd March, 2022

Subject: Regarding Relief distribution

To IMPACT Nepal Gaur, Rautahat

According to the agreement between IN Community Ear Care Centre Gaur and Rajpur Municipality dated February 22, 2022, the inauguration of the relief distribution programme was done by the central representatives and district Coordinator of IN, Mr. Nanda Kishor Jha, Project Officer of IN, and Mr. Karful Wara (Officer of Rajpur Municipality), Mr. Khursaid Alam (Health incharge), and Mayor (Mr. Md Shekh Sakil Akthar) in cooperation with the Regional Police Office and the grocery items were distributed to people with disabilities during various durations on various dates. Mr. Khursaid Alam, Deputy Office In chargw, Rajpur Municipality, Rajpur Fardawa

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Translated Thank You Letter from Shree Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residential Basic School

Shree deaf & hard hearing res. basic School

Rajdevi-4, Rautahat, Nepal

Letter No.: 2078/079 Ref. No.: 57

Date: 2nd March, 2022

Subject: Thank You Letter

To the Director, IMPACT Nepal Kathmandu.

On behalf of our school and myself, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you and all of the IMPACT Nepal staff working at the district and central levels for coming to this school and providing grocery items support to our deaf and disabled students.

Asha Devi, Principal

DAO (Bara) Regd. No. 572/059

PAN No: 301380735

SWC Affiliation No. 13803

Nepal Disabled Help Association, Bara

Jitpursimara-1, Bara

Letter No.: Ref No.: 29/078/079 Date: 12th March, 2022

To - IMPACT Nepal Rungta Welfare Ear Care Centre Helping organization: Relief Society of Commerce Birgunj-14 Gandak Bahuwari, Parsa.

Subject: Receipt of grocery items

On reference to the above subject, for the support of below mentioned grocery items to 60 residential students who are deaf, blind and mentally disabled children studying in this Nepal Disabled Help Association Bara Simara, we'd like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to IMPACT Nepal helping organization. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

List of items

- 1. Rice 30 sacks of 30 kg each
- 2. Salt 60 packets of 1 kg each
- 3. Oil 60 ltrs in 60 packets
- 4. Soap 120 pcs in 60 packets
- 5. Pulses 100 kg in 4 sacks

Dhan Prasad Bajgain

Chairman

