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Participating Rotary Clubs

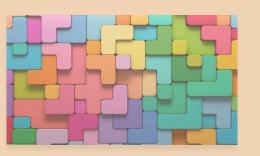
Rotary Club of Rudramati Kathmandu

They implement the project

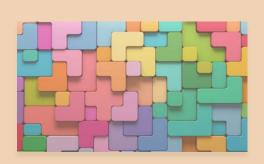
and write the report

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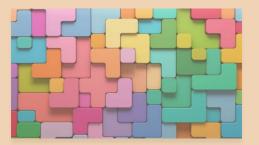
Rotary Club of Denver Mile High
We find the funding



Background on the area the grant serves



In April 2015, Nepal experienced the Gorkha earthquake of magnitude 7.8, killing over 9,000 people and injuring more than 22,000. Its epicenter was approximately 50 miles northwest of Kathmandu, which is the area in which our grant is taking place. It was the worst natural disaster since the 1934 Nepal-Bihar earthquake in that area. Entire villages were flattened and thousands were left homeless. A month later an aftershock of 7.3 caused more death and destruction. Experts pegged direct damages and losses at a staggering \$7 billion.



Do not begin a global grant during a pandemic! immediately had to PIVOT.

In 2019, the earthquake affected area was still trying to recover. Many needed basic training in order to work. As the result of a community assessment to determine need, this grant began as a hospitality training project to provide education that would help the marginalized and underserved (women, young adults, and lower castes) gain employment in hotels and restaurants in the bigger cities as:

Waiter

Concierge

Receptionist

Housekeeping

Record keeping

Basic finance

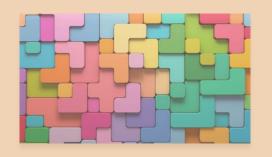
The hospitality grant soon morphed into an agriculture related grant

In March of 2020, the COVID pandemic shut down hotels, restaurants, and commerce in general, the proposed training was useless.

The Rudramati Club conducted yet another community assessment which determined the following needs:

- Cold Storage for harvested foods
- Solar drying (dehydration) equipment
- Food preservation equipment & methods
- Agriculture training best practices
- Basic business training
- Animal husbandry





DMHR's function was to inform clubs and gather funding

The PIVOT required renewed education to clubs that had pledged cash and DDF. May we use your funds for a new objective?

Seven Clubs together donated \$53,400

Which included the DDF, and the 80% DDF match that the Rotary Foundation provides.

Surprises:

- Not 100% match by RI Fdn, but 80%
- To send funds safely, an additional 5% (recommended by the host club).

Submission to Rotary Foundation Grant Committee Relief

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Nepal Cold Storage, Solar Drying and Food Processing

Rotary Club of Rudramati Kathmandu Rotary Club of Denver Mile High

Preparatory Activities















Completed the installation of 3 Chambered cold storage

Handed over the farmers committee

Farmers committee were trained on maintaining hygiene and quality control

The cold storage will benefit 500 farmers of the Sukute, Ward no. 10 Chautara Sangachowkgadi Municipality and ward no. 3 Sunkoshi Rural Municipality, Sindhupalchowk

Handover Ceremony of Cold Storage was attended by 50 people











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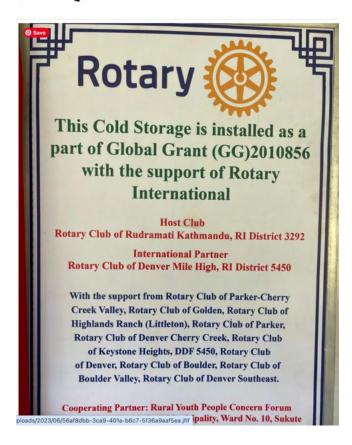
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A 15 metric tonne (MT) capacity cold storage was inaugurated by Rtn. Kishor Tripathi, President of Rotary Club of Rudramati Kathmandu in Sindhupalchowk district on 17 June 2023. The cold storage was recently installed in Sukute ward no. 10, Chautara Sangachowkgadi Municipality by the Rotary Club of Rudramati Kathmandu jointly with its international club partner Rotary Club of Denver Mile High. The installation was financially supported by the Rotary International. A number of Rotary Clubs mainly including Rotary Club of Parker-Cherry Creek Valley, Rotary Club of Golden, Rotary Club of Highlands Ranch (Littleton), Rotary Club of Parker, Rotary Club of Denver Cherry Creek, Rotary Club of Keystone Heights, DDF 5450, Rotary Club of Denver, Rotary Club of Boulder, Rotary Club of Boulder Valley, Rotary Club of Denver Southeast contributed

directly or indirectly to project.

During the inauguration ceremony, community leaders Dr. Binod Nepal acknowledged the effort of Rotary Clubs for their noble initiation of installing the mini cold storage in Sindhupalchowk. This cold storage is intended to serve local farmers to preserve the fruits and vegetables for extended sales and prevent produce wastages. There are a total of three chambers, of which one is completely run by solar power, said Dr. Eng. Gangadhar Chowdhary during the ceremony. Ceremony

President Mr. Gobinda Katel, who is also the chair for the management committee of the cold storage acknowledging the club's effort requested for regular monitoring and guidance for smooth operation of the cold storage. President Rtn. Tripathi appreciated the initiation of Rtn. Ishu Subba, Community Service Project Chair and all other club members who contributed to the project in various capacities. Tripathi added that Rotary International being one of the largest service organizations in the world is steered by its

Other Activities:



Tapendra Timilsina, Mayor of Sunkoshi Rural Municipality attended the inugural event of agriculture and livestock raising training.









Training Completed so far:

Training Name	Total participation	Trainer
Livestock Raising	11-M,11-F =22	Pitamber Ghimire
Improved Agriculture Practice	2-M,20-F =22	Harikumar ShresthaSamjhana Wagle
Improved Agriculture Practice	8-M,21-F =. 29	Bishwo Nepal
		Sabin Timsina
		Sandesh Hamal
		Harikrishna Shrestha
Food Processing/ Wine Making	19-F, 1-M =20	Ganga Parsad Khyaju
Improved Agriculture Practice/ Paddy Farming	15-F,5-M =25	Anil Bhandhari
Livestock Raising/Natural Pesticide	20-F= 20	Tej Bahadur Parajuli
Quality Hygiene Trainnig	20	Enusha Khadka
		Kabita Yadav

Next Steps

- Training on Food Processing and supporting food processing kits
- Handing over solar dryer and green house
- Marketing Meeting
- Report Writing and Submission