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This was another visit with problems of lack of electricity due to load setting, which meant that several days of the week there was hardly any electricity available during the daytime. Despite this it was a successful trip and all the ongoing projects were visited, and are running well.



Our most recent water project in the village of Lahachok was completed shortly before my visit. This tank will serve around 35 nearby houses, the local kindergarten and



the main school. We are currently investigating the possibility of also bringing a direct supply to the secondary school, by utilising the overflow pipe. More on this later.

The opening ceremony was held during the second week of our visit. All the people in the village (in the nearby houses) are very happy with the outcome.



We are currently in discussion with the local community leaders to try and utilise the water from the overflow pipe to bring it across the field, to the nearby secondary school. The school has a (usually empty) tank in need of some refurbishment; it desperately needs its own regular and

sufficient water supply for the 500+ children who go to the school.

Their current tank is poorly fed by a water source that has little volume or pressure. We are hoping to assist them with bringing a 200 metre pipe run across the field to their tank. If this is successful and there is sufficient water pressure, we will also help them to repair the cracked tank.



The bore water supplies to the Rato Paiera and Hanumantole tanks continue to flow daily, with slightly erratic delivery, due to the electric load setting issues. The Pipaldali tank continues to be well supplied by the mountain springs, and water is plentiful.



We have done some repair work at the Rato Paiera kindergarten, replacing the damaged netting on the bottom door with a stronger aluminium tin sheet. The teachers are very happy as the broken netting, which we previously replaced last year, was becoming dangerous, and allowing insects in and children out.

We also bought further educational play materials for the children, finished the educational wall paintings and we continue to provide their daily tiffin (lunch), as well as fresh fruits, milk and vegetables.

During the previous month another of our Trustees went to Nepal and visited our various projects. A special present (bubble solution) was taken for the kindergarten children, who were both amazed and delighted to see bubbles flying in the air.



Thank you for your continued financial support, other gifts and donations, which make all this possible.

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(Chairperson)