## **CTAS NEWSLETTER APRIL 2019**

This trip has been made around the Nepali New Year (2076), which was on 14<sup>th</sup> April. Due to this, some of the schools have been closed either side of the New Year. Nonetheless we managed to visit Lahachok, Nagen Tole & Upalamiltara before the break: and our other projects after; as well as going to the wedding ceremony of one of our CTAS Nepal members.



The tank we installed several years ago, for the village community of Lahachok, now needs repainting. This is used by some 25 families.

We are continuing to try and raise funds for the village Mahendra Secondary School, which has some 315 students and 26 teachers/admin staff. The municipality has helped to bring writer to a source of disease (stand pines) within the

to bring water to a couple of dhara (stand-pipes) within the school grounds; but still there is no running water or proper sanitation to the toilets or kitchen areas. We want to assist them in building an underground tank, to hold sufficient

water from the constant spring source. This can then be pumped & piped to the toilets & kitchen. The cost of this project is around £3,500.





The villagers at Nagen Tole, where we supplied the two water tanks and bored water supply lines, have been busy since our last visit in December. They have built a netted retaining wall to stop further erosion of the land during the monsoon season. We are waiting for them to submit a fully costed proposal to complete the last part of the roadside wall works, leading to this gulley area.



After New Year we next visited the school in Damsaede village where we regularly supply one teacher and the daily tiffin to the 45-50 students and 6 teachers. The children were on holiday, and only a few local boys and girls were at the school with the teachers.



Our netting project is all but finished, with one remaining side to be fenced in. It was a joy to see the boys being able to kick a

football about without fear of losing it over the steep drop at the front of the school.



We also went to the schools of Kristie and Youwabarsha, where we supply the daily tiffin.

These days there are around 30 students regularly coming to Kristie and 50+ to Youwabarsha. Most of the children have taken exams and are now waiting for the results to come within the next few weeks.





Our last visit before the wedding was to the kindergarten, which we run. Due to the

lateness of our arrival many of the children had already left for the day, but some were still there finishing their lunch or playing.

We have recently repaired the rear wall of the building: and are soon to install a pump to improve the water



flow for the kitchen and toilet areas, as a recent decrease in pressure means the roof tank is not filling properly.



Thank you for your continued support, which helps us make such a difference to people's lives. *Michele Spencer* (Chairperson)

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