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Newsletter of H. H. the Dalai Lama's Central Tibetan Relief Committee



## Update Report on Fire Incident:

Toward the end of this year, two different localities of Tibetan Refugee sweater sellers were met with a fateful fire accident:

### Tibetan Sweater Seller, Banswara (Rajasthan)

On the night of 10th November 2008, Tibetan Refugee sweater sellers at Banswara in Rajasthan state has met with an unprecedented fire accident. There are 16 families from various Tibetan settlements doing seasonal sweater selling business in Banswara for last 20 years. They have started this year seasonal business on 1st Nov 2008 and soon after they met with this tragedy. The total estimated lost of goods they suffered is Rs. 72,00,000.00. Mr. Tamdin Choephel, Tibetan Settlement Officer, Delhi was immediately rushed to assess the damage and to offer condolences to the families. CTRC has released consolation of Rs. 1,56,000.00 (Rs. 9,750 to each families) as emergency relief. The causes of this fire incident is yet to known and the incident has duly reported to local Police station. The State Government has kindly compensated Rs. 5,000 to each family through Collector Office and Hon'ble Shri Bhawani Joshi, State Minister for Health and local Indians have raised donation of Rs. 312,000 and presented to fire victims to show their solidairty. On the other hand, delegation from Danik Bhasker (Newspaper) has also visited the site and presented Rs. 51,000/- to fire victims. We are very much thankful for their support and generosity shown towards Tibetan refugee sweater sellers of Banswara in the time of difficulties.

# Tibetan sweater seller, Hanam Konda (Andhra Pradesh)

It was first day of this year, 1st Jan 2009, another Tibetan Refugee sweater seller at Hanam Konda in Andhra Pradesh, has also become victim of fire accident and ruined everything they have to ashes. Mr. Phuntsok Tsering, Tibetan Settlement Officer, Dekyi Larsoe, Bylakupee was rushed to the place to pay condolence and represent our sincere grief at the time of tragedy. The Central Tibetan Relief Committee, Department of Home, Central Tibetan Administration has released



Fire incident at Banswara



Police investigating for fire incident



Fire incident at Hanam Konda



## of Home, Central Tibetan Administration has released View of after incident grant of Rs. 1,17,000 to the victims as a token of emergency relief. Both the Representatives of

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His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Central Tibetan Relief Committee, the relief wing of the Department of Home, Central Tibetan Administration is a legally registered Charitable and Development organisation working mainly for the welfare and sustainable socio-economic development of theTibetan exile community particularly those living in India, Nepal and Bhutan.

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## Activities carried out by Cooperative Division

#### 1) 8th Annual Cooperative Development Conference

Co-operative Society is the most important people's institutions that the Central Tibetan Administration has been able to create in most of the agricultural Tibetan settlements in India. It is both social and economic institutions. It has helped to hold together all the settlers of a settlement as a family. It has been the economic backbone of the settlements since they were first established. But the co-operative's most important role lies in the development of agriculture in the settlements, it would be difficult to imagine farming as it is done at present. Its existence is most vital for all the farmers. The Co-operative Societies undertake various social and economic activities.

By strengthening of cooperative institutions in order to play the leading role in socio-economic development activities of the respective settlements so that Tibetan settlements in South Asia become most successful in cooperative movement and viable for preservation of own culture. Hence, the 8th Annual Conference was held in Mundgod from 27 - 29 September 2008 under coordination between the Cooperative Development Division, Department of Home, CTA and Federation of Tibetan Cooperatives in India Ltd. and the conference was formerly inaugurated by the Hon'ble Kalon Tripa Prof. Samdhong Rinpoche.

The specific objective behind this meeting was to upgrade the management system through human resource program by promoting interests of all the Tibetan cooperatives to attain their social and economic betterment. To enhance the knowledge & potentials of members to become fully autonomous body and democratically governed in accordance with cooperative principles.

The meeting was participated by President, Secretary and one Board of Director from each cooperative societies. Annual reports and financial statement of each cooperatives were presented in the meeting and held discussion for future development by sharing views and examplary experiences. Discussion was also held on trading of organic product by cooperatives under coordination with FTCI and Department of Home in the years to come on the basis of guidelines issued by Home Department.

## 2) Training on Project Management and Proposal Writing:

The training on project cycle management and proposal writing was organised by Department of Home, CTA from 3 - 7 November 2008 at Regional Institute of Cooperative Management, Bangalore under coordination with FTCI, Bangalore. This training has been imparted to the Secretary and Accountant of 15 Tibetan Cooperatives along with participants from FTCI. As per requisition of the Department of Home, Dr. Kunchok Tsudnue, Chief Planning Officer and colleague Mr. Lobsang Tenzin, Office of the Planning Commission, Central Tibetan Administration has kindly accepted for being resource person. During this training a session has also been taken by Mr. Dr. S.A. Sidhanthi, Regional Director and Mr. Suresh, Faculty Member of RICM on the topic "difference between cooperative management and business management". The main objective of this training was to make known of project planning, implementation, monitoring, reporting and evaluation thus enabling them to professionally execute in their day-to-day management. To make use of logical framework approach as a practical tool in development work, specially during preparation of project proposal. This program was funded by AET, France and we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the concern donor agency without which this training was not possible to organised. All the participants has earnestly requested for such training in the future so that they could be more effective to discharge their duties.



Kalon Tripa (centre), Secretary (left) and President of FTCI (right)



President of FTCI presenting annual report



Glance of the conference

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Staff Updates: We cordially welcome the new comers and bid farewell to the outgoing staff

#### a. New Comers

01. Mr. Lobsang Trinlay, Driver. has been transferred from Bureau office, De;hi to Chief Rep. Bangalore w.e.f. 1/10/2008 02. Ms. Yeshi Choedon, Office Sec. has been newly appointed as Office Sec.-cum-Accountant of Pokhra Tashiling Settlement on contratual basis w.e.f. 23/10/2008

03. Ms. Rinzin Wangmo, Section Officer has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Mundgod w.e.f. 11/12/2008

04. Ms. Tenzin Pelkyi, Office Suprt.. has been newly appointed to Department of Home w.e.f. 1/12/2008

05. Mr. Tenzin Tsering, Office Suprt. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of TWO, Dalhousie w.e.f. 2/12/08

06. Mr. Kunga Tsering, Office Suprt. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Mainpat w.e.f. 11/12/2008

07. Mr. Meri Kyab, Office Suprt. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Orissa w.e.f. 11/12/2008

08. Mr. Tenzin Dhonden, Office Suprt. has been newly appointed as Office Sec./Acctt. of Kalimpongl w.e.f. 11/12/08

09. Mr. Tsering Dorjee, Office Suprt. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Miao w.e.f. 11/12/08

10. Ms. Tsamchoe Dolma, Office Sec. has been newly appointed as Accountant of Dekyiling w.e.f. 3/12/2008

11. Mr. Rapten Tsering, Office Sec. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Herbertput w.e.f. 3/12/2008

12. Ms. Sangay Lhadon, Office Sec. has been newly appointed as Office Sec. of Mandi w.e.f. 3/12/2008

13. Mr. Jigmey Tseten, Office Sec. has been newly appointed as Office Sec./Accountant of Kamrao w.e.f. 3/12/2008

14. Mr. Ngawang Choeden, Senior Clerk has been newly appointed as accountant of Mandi w.e.f. 3/12/2008

### b. Outgoing Staff

01. Mr. Tsering Thai, Office Suprt. and Office Sec. of Samyeling, MT has resigned from the service w.e.f. 1/10/2008 02. Mr. Samten Phuntsok, Deputy Sec and Settlement officer of Rabgayling has taken 1 year leave without pay for further studies under fullbright scholarship program w.e.f. 3/9/2008

03. Mrs. Tsering Dolma, Junior Clerk of Home Department has resigned from the service w.e.f. 16/12/2008

04. Mr. Sonam Sangpo, Section Officer and Office Secretary of Phuntsokling, Orissa has resigned from the service w.e.f. 21/10/08 05. Ms. Sonam Yangzom, Office Sec. of Mainpat has been transferred to Public Service Commission w.e.f. 8/12/2008

06. Ms. Tsering Dolma, Office Sec.-cum-Accountant of Mandi has resigned from the service w.e.f. 15/11/2008 to apply for higher post

07. Ms. Passang Yangzom, Office Sec.-cum-Accountant of Chauntara has resigned from the service w.e.f. 15/11/2008 to apply for higher post

## c. Internal Transfer

01. Ms. Yeshi Dolma, Office Sec. has been transferred from Kalimpong to Chauntara as Office Sec.-cum-Acctt. w.e.f. 20/12/2008
02. Ms. Ugyen Chodon, Office Sec. has been transferred from Herbertpur to Paonta as Office Secretary w.e.f. 8/12/2008
03. Mr. Phurbu Tsering, Office Sec. has been transferred from Paonta to Shilong as Office Sec.-cum-Acctt. w.e.f. 20/12/2008

## An Appeal for Natural Calamities Relief Fund

With the generous assistance from the Government of India, the United nations High Commissioner for Refugees, many organisations and individual donors Tibetan refugees were rehabilitated by establishing around 56 Tibetan settlements in India, Nepal and Bhutan. These settlements are mostly located in remote and far away from the reach of outer world. The primary livelihood of most of these settlers depend purely on agriculture and sweater selling business in the roadside of Indian cities during winter season becomes the secondary income for survival since last more than 3 decades. The success and good productivity of agriculture depend purely on the rainfall and favorable climatic condition in the areas. Agriculture farming mainly focuses for self-consumption and cash crop. But due to unfavourable condition of weather during cultivation, unfortunately farmers are sometime felt victims of draught, heavy downpour, landslide and wild animals which causes heavy damage to the fields and lost of year long labour and investment cost.

On the other hand, Tibetan refugees are taking cash loans from Indian banks, goods on credit from manufacturer, and other commercial sources on high interest rate to do sweater selling business at the roadside of Indian cities and towns. This short term business is the only way to earn little profit to compensate their deficit budget of the family in a year and creating job opportunity to unemployed youth. But unfortunately sometimes damages caused by natural calamities like fire accidents, theft and lost of goods on transportation etc. which face tremendous hardship to reconstruct the lost business of huge capital invested.

Hence, His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Central Tibetan Relief Committe, Dharamsala with certain aims and objectives would like to create a separate accounts and keep certain amount of FUNDS focusing on to provide emergency relief or compensate financially to the vicitims of natural calamities so that they could restart their business well in time and for that reason we strongly appeal to our generous donors for the contribution. We would be much appreciated for your kind helping hand to meet our objectives.

## A Brief Life History of the elder Tsering Dickyi, aged 94

Granny Tsering Dickyi was born in 1914 to Mr. Lhakpa Dhundup and Mrs. Dawa Bhuti at a place called Rongshar, which is demographically a border between Tibet and Nepal. Her parents have ten siblings; two brothers, seven sisters and herself.

Rongshar, her birthplace is very near to a well known place called Labchi, the source of many great rivers of Nepal where five different colors of streams intersects to become a major river. It is also famous for the palace of Khando Tsering Chengang. Sacredly, it is a place where the great yogi Jetsun Milarepa meditated and attained Nirvana dated back to thousand of years. And so, this place is considered as one of the most sacred pilgrim destination. Because of the deep faith in the teachings and

practices of the great yogi, the native of Rongshar built a Kagyu monastery for the perseverance of belief and practices. But alas! Today, not a single monastery can be traced due to the mass destructions of the sacred monasteries by the Chinese occupation. Lately, a monastery in the name of 'Rongshar Monastery' was constructed near the famous stupa. One will find the old statue of Jestun Melarepa and many other sacred statues of Kagyu sect inside this monastery.

During the old days in Tibet, the business was mostly accorded with the traditional barter system. Granny Tsering Dickey's family used to carry salt and other stuffs from Dhinri to Nepal and they bought rice and wheat in return. This was the main source of livelihood during those days prior to the Chinese occupation. She gave birth to a son in 1944. She sent her son to study in India and positively, he acquired all the necessary modern education by the grace of His Holiness The Dalai Lama. He served our exile government for many years. During which, he got an opportunity because of his excellence in academic to travel abroad to Switzerland. Unfortunately, her son lost his life at a very young age.



Since Rongshar is border to Nepal, granny Tsering Dickey took refuge in Nepal when Chinese invaded Tibet. She was provided a small plot of land for farming and agriculture thus became her main source of survival. One of the most fortunate events in her life was when she attended Kalachakra to listen to the religious discourse by His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama in 1985 at Banaras in India. Given that she is a very religious person, she visited most of the pilgrim destinations in Nepal.

As the years roll by, she was aging and it was not possible for her to farm anymore. The news that the elder and poor people from the border area would be given proper care at the Tsering Old People's Home raised her spirit. Under the kind guidance of Chubho Dhapoling Khenpo, she was admitted to **Tsering Old People's Home, Nepal** on 13th February 2004. All the expenses incurred during the traveling were borne by the representative office in Nepal.

She is of immense feeling that she is very fortunate to be admitted in the OPH as she could recite her prayers and chant mantras without any problem. Most importantly, she is fortunate enough to be under the care in her autumns. Granny Tsering Dickyi is the oldest in the Tsering Old People's Home and says, "Tsering OPH takes great care of all our inmates although it faces financial difficulties. I am indeed very grateful to His Holiness and our exile government for taking every possible care of us."

This is the brief history of granny Tsering Dickyi's life.

## Correction from previous edition (May - Aug. 2008)

In the previous edition of CTRC Update, Vol-VII, No.2, from May - August 2008 of page 6 under Update report on Mathura fire incident, the CTRC has mentioned by mistake the donor's name as Office of Tibet instead of **"Tibet Fund"** (USA). Infact, the CTRC received USD 8,961.00 from Tibet Fund towards relief donation for Mathura sweater sellers' fire incident The CTRC feels deep sorry for being mistake and would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to concern donor agency for kind contribution.

## Local Tibetan Assembly:

In 1990, the constitution redrafting committee instituted by His Holiness the Dalai Lama redrafted the charter of Tibetan government and the 11<sup>th</sup> Tibetan People's Deputies deliberated on the charter and passed resolution unanimously on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1991. The Charter of the Tibetan Government in-exile is the supreme law governing the function of Central Tibetan Administration.

Entire member of the LTA house is directly elected by the people of the settlement from and within the settlement and from the elected members, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the house is elected during the first session of the new term. The term of an elected LTA is three (3) years and can have 7 - 35 members depend upon size of the population. The house is bestowed with the power to design and constitute the governing rules and regulation, incompliance with the aims, objectives and activities of the settlement. But, the ultimate resolution bill must be passed in the house after consultation with the Settlement Officer and his assistant. The house passes the annual budget of the Settlement Office. There are 35 Local Tibetan Assembly Houses in India, Nepal and Bhutan and 1 in Switzerland with 467 members.

Considering the importance of the Local Tibetan Assembly House, Central Tibetan Relief Committee, Department of Home is raising fund for construction of a separate building with office and meeting hall for as many Local Tibetan Assembly as possible. Till date, Department of Home has been able to raise fund for four (4) Local Tibetan Assembly building construction and the work of three (3) Local Tibetan Assembly buildings constructions are in progress and one (1) is planned to implement in the year 2009-10.

#### Work in progress of Local Tibetan Assembly building construction of Tibetan settlements:

At present three Local Tibetan Assembly building works are in progress with the kind and generous funding from various funding organizations.

#### Local Tibetan Assembly Orissa:

Local Tibetan Assembly house of Orissa settlement has come into being on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2005 and it has 20 elected members. The LTA building construction works is in progress. Initially, it was projected to cost Rs.795, 000.00 but later on due to inflation in cost of material, need for addional funding was submitted by the Settlement Office. The Department of Home has further requested through SARD for the same to Norwegian Church Aids (NCA) and NCA has very generously accepted an additional fund of Rs. 65,000.00 to bring the total budget to Rs. 860,000.00 (Eight hundred sixty thousand). As per planned activities, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 is the ultimately time-framed for the completion of intervention.

#### Local Tibetan Assembly Dekyiling, Dehradun:

The first ever 17 member Local Tibetan Assembly Dekyiling was elected on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2005. The project of LTA building construction is in progress with the kind and generous funding from Mr. Tom Sargent and family through Tibet Fund, New York, USA. The building is projected to cost Rs. 759,800.00 (Seven hundred fifthy nine thousand eight hundred).

#### Local Tibetan Assembly Shimla:

The Local Tibetan Assembly, Shimla is constituted on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2007 with 7 elected members. The proposed budget for construction of LTA, Shimla building was for Rs. 588,700.00. As the original proposal was made some years back, the settlement

officer has submitted a revised budget with addition of Rs. 252,303.00 owing to the inflation of raw material cost. Norwegian Church Aids (NCA) has very generously accepted the revised budget and reallocated the budget to Rs. 841,003.00 (Eigh hundred forty one thousand and three). The activities of the intervention are time-framed to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

#### Coming up Local Tibetan Assembly building construction at Tezu:

The Tezu, Dhargyaling Tibetan settlement has 1,268 settlers and the Local Tibetan Assembly of the settlement has come into being on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005 with 12 elected members. As it doesn't have infrastructure of its own, the Central Tibetan Relief Committee has proposed a project worth Rs. 1,005,000.00 (One million five thousand) to the Norwegian Church Aids (NCA) and it has very kindly accepted the proposal and the construction work is planned to start in the fiscal year 2009-10.



View of LTA Office, Orissa under construction



View of LTA Office, Dekyiling under construction

## Activities of ISTL (YES)

A total of 42 trainees of Ist batch 2008-09 had completed their skill training as of Dec. 31, 2008. Amongst them, 17 trainees of Beautician & Hair Dresser were able to get placement in their trained skill with the help of ISTL.

We have received a total of 101 applications from 20 different Tibetan settlements for the IInd batch skill training course 2008-09. We have short listed 54 applicants as per vacancy available for the final interview at ISTL. But, only 45 applicants turned up at ISTL & 9 applicants had withdrawn from the training citing various inabilities.

Apart from regular skill training, we also provide different youth related motivational programmes. From Oct. to Dec. 2008 various talk & workshop conducted at ISTL were Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS health talk by Mr. Bhu Rinchen, Dept. of Health CTA, Short Term Business Mgt. & Simple Book Keeping and Micro Credit facility, Buddhist Religious discourse by Ven. Khangsar Rinpoche, Sera Monastery, Career counseling by Mr. Jamyang Wangyal, Career Counselor, South Zone, Dept. of Education CTA, Conflict Resolution workshop by Tibetan Centre for Conflict Resolution (TCCR) Dharamsala.



Motivational workshop



Talks on Buddhism

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this office have requested local authorities and NGOs for the necessary help and we are thankful for their support. We also requested our generous donors for the donations and here we have listed our generous donors, who have helped us at this stage and we continue to remain indebted to all of them (Donors). We further request through this newsletter to help us by contributing little to those fire victims whose only source of livelihood has been devastated and continues to keep their spirit to rise from the ashes.

#### Details of donation received through this office from various donor agencies and State Government are:

1. AET	Rs. 199,590	for 16 families of Tibetan refugee sweayer sellers at Banswara (RJ)
2. American Himalayan	Rs. 162,517	for 16 families of Tibetan refugee sweater sellers at Banswara (RJ)
Foundation (USA)		
3. Ms. Sonita Kasayapanand	Rs. 67,181	for 13 families of Tibetan refugee sweater sellers at Hanam Konda
Thailand		
4. Tibet Fund (USA)	Rs. 154,250	for 29 families of Tibetan refugee sweater sellers at Hanam Konda
		and Banswara

#### CTRC's visitor update:

Date	Visitor's Name	Organisation	
20th Sept. 08	Ven. Koyu Kawahara, Managing Director	Association for Rengein Tanjo-Ji International Cooperation, Japan	
10th Oct. 08	Mr. Tom Sargent, (Donor)	Tibet Fund, (USA)	
2nd Nov. 2008	Mrs. Elizabeth Zimmermann, Chairperson,		
	Dr. Zimmermann and group	Save Tibet (Austria)	
25th Nov. 08	Ms. Zhu Rui	Journalist, Editor and Reseacher	

#### Settlement Profile: Dhargayling Tibetan Settlement, TEZU

Established in 1962 to rehabilitate initially 889 Tibetan refugees who came from Tibet and the present population is around 1354. From 1993 onwards more than 27 families from Tuting were also shifted so far for resettlement at Tezu.

#### Location

It falls in the Lohit district of Arunachal Pradesh in India, fairly close to the Indo-Burmese border or North East of India. Tezu is situated on a plain area surrounded by snow flaked mountains of Himalayan ranges with thick rainforest. It is also a place of meandering rivers and tributaries of Brahmaputra river of India and river Yarlung Tsangpo of Tibet which changes its course every year.

#### Altitude, Temparature and Rainfall

The altitude of the place is about 726 Mtr above sea level with an average minimum temperature of  $25^{\circ}$  to maximum  $40^{\circ}$  centigrade in summer and minimum  $10^{\circ}$  to  $25^{\circ}$  centigrade during winter with mild warm in day time. The average rainfall of the area is around 3207 inches in a year. In between Oct. - Feb. is the best season to visit.

#### Livelihood

Agriculture is the main source of livelihood of the settlement people with tradional way of farming blended with modernised technique but free from any use of chemicals. The cultivation of crops are mainly dominated by maize, millet, barley, vegetables. But in these days farmers has diverted their crops and started cultivating Mustard and Pulses as cash crop. People of this settlement has dominated the local market for vegetable.

#### Setup

The settlement consist of 5 camps with an average of 45 families in each camp with total household of 250. The State government has provided total 1838.89 acres of land by which 1335.5 acres of land is being used for agriculture purpose and remaining 503.39 acres of land is used for infrastructures.

#### Facilities

There are 3 crèche and a Middle school in the settlement among which 2 creche are run by the Settlement Office and reaming a crèche and a

School is under Central Tibetan School Administration, New Delhi. It also has a small health clinic center providing modern allopathic medical treatment for minor diseases as well as a Tibetan traditional medical center for the settlers. It has three monasteries, each of them housing 11 - 20 monks. A Multipurpose Cooperative Society is also running which is registered under State Co-operative Societies Act. The society owned various sub-units like tractor & workshop section, fair price & general store, oil & rice mill, communication centre, carpet centre and Milk processing unit which is running successfully. Besides, the Cooperative Society is also working as middlemen in trading Mustard and Pulses purchased from farmers to avoid monopoly of other private traders.

#### Conveyance

The nearest railway station to Tezu is Tinsukia which is 150 km away from the settlement in long route during summer and around 70 km in short route during winter. The nearest airport is Dibrugarh Airport, about 15 km away from Tinsukia town. Foreigners are required to get a Special Inner Line permit to visit Tezu due to restricted area.

#### Problems

The main prolems being faced by the settlers are not accessible to outer world due to lack of proper communication, poor electrivity, roads and transportation facilities. Alternative and sustainable source of income and generation of employment opportunity to youth is also necessary not only for economic and social reasons, but also to preserve the Tibetan way of living and culture to become settlement viable in the long run.



Settlement houses built in initial stage



Traditional farming by use of horse



People gathered for community meeting

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## HOW YOU CAN HELP

- 1. Make donatiion to CTRC's General Fund.
- 2. Give project-specific donations.
- 3. Sponsor needy and old person.
- 4. Volunteer for transfer of technology and expertise.
- 5. Make donation to CTRC's Emergency

Relief Fund or

- 6. Donation to Natural Calamities Relief Fund
- 8. Raise fund for CTRC's projects.

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## **Project Needing Fund**

Mill Building Renovation and Upgradation, Miao

Oil and rice mill is the key unit of Cooperative Society, Miao which is providing service to the people of settlement and local Indians. This mill is the life line of the area for milling of their day-to-day consumption of rice and oil. The machines are old and frequent need of repair which cost higher than its income. The building is also an old and outdated which was built many years back. Hence, immediate renovation and upgrdation is required to provide service to poor people of this area and the project would cost 487,672.00 for completion.

## Purchase of Truck, Tenzingang

The project aims to meet the requirement of transportation of vegetable products of Tibetan refugees of Tenzingang settlement. The settlement has good product of vegetable specially cabbage and curly flower and required a separate truck for transportation upto Tezpur town for marketing so that the farmers may get good price by avoiding middlemen. The project would cost Rs. 739,264 to purchase a truck model no. 709.

### Renovation of Footpath, Ravangla

This project aims to renovate existing footpath of Kunphenling Tibetan Settlement because of sloppy area, footpaths are frequently being damaged and wahsed away by heavy rainfall which creats problem for people to walk specially elders and children. Hence immediate repair of footpath within settlement is urgently required. This project would cost Rs. 449,824.

## Capacity Building for Co-operative Secretaries & Accountants

Co-operative Secretaries and accountants are the key management personnel for the success of a co-operative society and required to update every now & then on co-operative taxation and laws for smooth functioning and strengthening of co-operative's activities for further success. This training will organised at the Regional Institue of Co-operative Management, Bangalore for 10 days which cost Rs. 360,000.00 for around 30 participants. Note: All the above projects are in need of funding for early implemetation. Those who are interested to contribute for any of above project may please contact us for further submission of project proposal and its budget details. Your kind contribution would be highly appreciated.

CTRC take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude & appreciation for your continuous support & well wishes. We wish you all the best and hope to retain your patronage. THANKYOU.

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