# gantabya ... on the way with God to his destination

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## **Cataract Surgery Camp**



A two-day eye camp was held in Chaurjahari hospital on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 with technical support from Surkhet Eye Hospital, Tilganga. 610 people benefitted from the camp and a total of 110 elderly people received free eye cataract surgery in this camp. Cataract is the leading cause of avoidable and preventable blindness in remote areas of Nepal. The two-day eye camp was successful with elderly people beaming and singing hopeful songs when they knew they could see clearly again.

## Sundarbazar Resilience Project



64 students participated in a disaster preparedness training where they were equipped with knowledge and skills necessary for disaster management under the Sundarbazar Resilience Project.

The goal of this program was to raise awareness among students and train youth within the community for future disaster mitigation. In doing so, it aimed to promote greater cooperation during disasters and enhance the effectiveness of assistance provided within the community.

## Vision

To be living witnesses of God's love and transform communities.

## Mission

Spiritual, social, and economic transformation of the disadvantaged, marginalized and underprivileged communities through health, education and community development.

## Values

Righteousness is the path of our life, Honesty is the strength of our life & Serving others is the duty of our life.

## Projects

#### Health

- Chaurjahari Hospital Rukum (CHR)
- Gunjaman Singh Hospital Chitwan (GHC)
- Namuna Community Hospital (NCH)

#### Education

- Asha Bal Bikas Sewa (ABBS)
- \* Kathmandu International Study Center (KISC)
- KISC Education Quality Improvement Program (KISC EQUIP)

#### Community Development

- Community Radio Initiative Nepal (CoRIN)
- \* **RISE UP Nepal**
- Health Improvement Project Chitwan (HEAL)
- Kotjahari Organic Farm
- Medical Emergency Health Response (MEHR)
- One Health
- Samriddha ra Surakshit \* Samudaya Rukum (3SR)

#### Disaster Management

- Anticipatory Action (AA) Lamjung & Manang
- Sundarbazar Resilience Project

## **SPOTLIGHT**



On December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024, ABBS held their Christmas celebration with students and their parents. There were a lot of dance and singing performances accompanied by great food. The parents and students enjoyed this festive time.



**GHC** acquired a new surgical team and are conducting several surgeries.



KISC EQUIP staff have been engaging in their regular teacher training activities. Pictured above are students from child clubs depicting their Creation Care training posters carried out in January.

Starting in August, NCH began providing palliative care and geriatric care services to patients who are not able to visit the hospital. NCH also received approval to be a 25-bed hospital in early February.

RISE UP Nepal, our new project which focuses on enriching, empowering and improving the livelihood opportunities of people living with disabilities in Rukum has been initiated this month.

Our Annual Report is available in its digital form. Click to view and download: https://www.hdcsnepal.org/wpcontent/uploads/2025/01/HDCS-2023-24-AR-SPREAD-VIEW.pdf

## Health camps



NCH conducted a free health camp in Dordi in coordination with Dordi Rural Municipality. A total of 650 patients benefitted from general checkups, dental services, USG, physiotherapy, sugar checkups, female health checkups, and medicine distribution.



Through the MEHR project a medical camp was conducted in which 353 people benefitted from ultrasound services, 225 blood group tests were done, and medicine was provided to all who needed it, in a remote area of Athbiskot where roads are unpaved and electricity supply is intermittent.

## Okhaldunga Afno FM celebrates 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary



**CoRIN** - Afno FM in Rukum completed 8 years and in Okhaldunga celebrated 17 years of establishment. Both radio stations celebrated with people in the community and by distributing fruits. Furthermore, Okhaldunga staff provided support to children from poor families with funds towards their education and food. The staff also distributed fruit to prisoners in the district jail.