

## Our Sister School Project in Lamidanda, Nepal (poster 5)

### Ibbenbüren's commitment in Lamidanda

#### ***Library***

The latest project at our "sister school" is an own library.. We brought 300 books on the occasion of our visit in October 2010. There are different books in Nepali as well as English for all ages. Furthermore there are books with pictures and specialist literature for teachers. First an inventory of all books is made in Kathmandu before they are brought to Lamidanda in backpacks like all other goods. The children are very happy to have the new library!

#### ***Material for Science***

Another project is about building up a collection of experimental material for scientific classes. In addition, equipment for Physical Education and other outdoor activities was financed..A wholesaler in Kathmandu chose a range of very attractive things for us. Both children and teachers were very pleased.

#### ***Education of teachers***

The continuing education for teachers will stand on the top of our agenda next year. The preconditions for working as a teacher in Nepal are quite different from those in Germany. Therefore continuing advanced training and further qualification are important elements to provide a successful education. CCODER prepares a project planning with proposals every year and coordinate them with us. It will be a challenge for the next years to convince the government of a cooperation agreement to share the expenses of salaries and pensions for the teachers at Community schools.

#### ***Hygiene and health programme***

The establishment of a public water pipe on the school grounds is part of the hygiene and health programme, which CCODER wants to expand to the other communities around the district of Ghoroka, where Lamidanda is situated, in the next years. Because this is a very expensive undertaking and it will exceed our sister school project, financial support will have to be provided by other sponsors, possibly by the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation.

Of very great importance is the establishment of a health insurance fund, which would guarantee primary health care. A whole family can be threatened by financial ruin, if they have to pay for an expensive medical treatment, as it happened to the family of a seriously injured boy in the village.

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