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# **Earthquake Relief Home, Lubhu**

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## **Introduction:**

Lubhu is also one major municipality affected by earthquake. Although it is near by the Kathmandu, many of them are compelled to stay under the poverty line. It is one of the ancient places where majority of ethnics groups are lives especially Newari people. They works on handicraft, some of them sell vegetables, works in a construction sites as a labor. Their earning can hardly meets to their daily expenses.

In order to keep these in mind, Mr. Theo Fritsche from Austria started to support schools and communities since a decade. Theo supported a school “West wing School” which is run by public trust. Students are getting a quality education with cheaper price as compared to other nearby schools. Even, the students from poor economical family are getting chances to quality education with the support of Theo in coordination with Sunil Krishna Shrestha.

Everything was going fine but the earthquake in 25 April, 2015 and powerful aftershock of 12 May devastated many houses, ruins daily life. Life is becoming harder than usual. So to support in this misery project coordinator Sunil Krishna Shrestha and Founder of Hilfsprojecte Nepal, Theo Fritsche decided to support the communities in Lubhu by

builds earthquake relief home. Theo Technical Academy is managing this earthquake relief home at Lubhu.

### **House No: 1 at Lubhu**

#### **Maankaji and Kamala's House**

Mr. Maankaji Khadgi and Mrs. Kamala Khadgi's house was completely destroyed at earthquake. They sell vegetable near bus park of Lubhu to meet their daily expenses. After earthquake, five member of their family, one daughter Sharmila and son Saroj along with their 76 year old grandfather are sharing a common temporary room nowadays. Sharmila completed her grade 10 from west wing school. It's been really a difficult to them without a home. So, project team along with volunteers from Austria, Simone and his team are going to construct and completed her house within two weeks.



**Photo: Maankaji Khadgi and his family with project team, Simone and her friends from Austria**



**Photo: Coordinator Sunil Krishna Shrestha observing the site area where project team is going to build earthquake relief home**

### **House 2 at Lubhu:**

#### **Sanu Maharjan's Home:**

Sanu Maharjan and her family were living in a joint family before earthquake at Bihari, Lubhu. She has three members in her family one son and one daughter. Her son and daughter are studying at West Wing School. She has no permanent source of earning. Her husband left her after marriage with other women. So, she has to take whole responsibility of her family like to complete support of her study and meet her family



daily expenses. So, it has been really hard for a single woman to handle family responsibilities. Even it is harder after earthquake. She is living now in a single room temporary shelter which is not even to protect from wind and it is completely unsafe. So, project team select her house to build as soon as possible and already started to construction from 28<sup>th</sup> September.



Photo: Sanu's daughter briefing the site to construct house for her family





This is the temporary shelter where Sanu Maharjan and her family living after earthquake.



**Photo: Project team along Simone Maharjan's Family along with Austrian Volunteers.**

## **Conclusion:**

We have seen the happiness in the innocent face of Sanu, Kamala and their families faces when we went there with the message that “we are going to build your home with your active participation”. Home is not only place to live but it is the place to share sadness to happiness with each other. So, on the behalf of Sanu and Kamala, we would like to thank you so much to Theo for his generous support. It helps to motivate to the families, brings smile to children even they are in misery after earthquake and obviously daily life will be easier in a beautiful home once it get completed. Thank you so much Theo for your kind and great support.