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Dear Readers,

We hope you are safe and healthy amidst the pandemic. With the prohibitory order, that was implemented in various places in Nepal, now easing after more than two months, we are slowly getting back to normal. But, we should remember that our battle against the invisible enemy is far from over. Therefore, here is a reminder to everyone to wear masks, sanitize and maintain social distance.

On that note, we bring to you the latest edition of our Newsletter. We would like to update you about our various initiatives in these past few months. Our key achievement is the re-launching of the 'CG Operation Drishti' Program that organized free eye check-up camps in Bardiya and Sunsari districts. In the hope to deliver quality ophthalmic services to underprivileged families and groups, we will soon provide eye care facilities in all provinces of Nepal.

Lastly, we would like to take this opportunity to thank our partners and well-wishers for their continued support. Without collaboration and coordination, achievements would not have been possible. We hope to keep making you proud.

A very Happy Dashain to everyone! We wish that all of you will have a great time celebrating this

Stay Safe & Celebrate!

Water Treatment Plant at Shree Pashupati Gaushala Dharmashala



Chaudhary Foundation provided financial support to Marwari Sewa Samiti Nepal to install a Double Pass Reverse Osmosis (DPRO) System at Kidney Hemodialysis Unit of Shree Pashupati Gaushala Dharmashala, Gaushala, Kathmandu.

Marwadi Sewa Samiti Nepal is a social organization striving towards building a harmonious society, having its office at Phashikeba, Kathmandu, Nepal. Currently, the Marwari Sewa Samiti runs various initiatives which include a homeopathy hospital, physiotherapy centre, bottled

Pop-up Shop at Tata Volunteering Week



Unnati Cultural Village under the initiative of the Chaudhary Foundation set up a pop-up shop at Tata Volunteering Week (TVW) that showcased various Nepali handmade goods and materials. TVW was held at Vivanta Kathmandu, Jhamsikhel, Lalitpur from 31 August - 5 September 2021.

Tata Volunteering Week, celebrated annually across all Tata subsidiaries, is an event-based format that brings together volunteers worldwide to participate in small acts of volunteering. The volunteering activities are curated by different companies and are offered to the volunteers.

Road to COP 26 Climate Change and Women Leadership



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Dear Ms Surabhi Chaudhary,

The British Council expresses its sincerest gratitude for your participation in our climate change interaction event held at the British Embassy Kathmandu on 19 August 2021. Your contributions were invaluable. We also thank you for your support to our programme addressing women leadership in climate action. In the lead up to COP26 we look forward to working with you to amplify the voice and agency of women in climate change discourse.

If you would like to reach us with comments, feedback and/or suggestions, please write to arts@britishcouncil.org.np

Regards,
Shahida MacDougall
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Chaudhary Foundation participated in the 'Road to COP26 - Climate Change and Women Leadership' discussion session organized by British Council Nepal. The series of the discussion focused on climate change issues, their role and impact on women and share the resilience by women in Nepal.

As one of the speakers, Ms Surabhi Chaudhary spoke about how Unnati Cultural Village empower and enable its pool of women artisans in the face of climate change and other gender difficulties. She also shared the possible roles of the private sector in guaranteeing the relationship between heritage and tourism. The discussion series was being aired on Nepal Television.

To watch the conversation: <https://youtu.be/OONuRKAe2Ds>

'CG Operation Drishti' - Eye Camp



Chaudhary Foundation believes that investing in the health care system is the key to improving the quality of life. 'CG Operation Drishti', an initiative of the Chaudhary Foundation, was started in the year 2011 to deliver quality ophthalmic services to underprivileged families and groups.

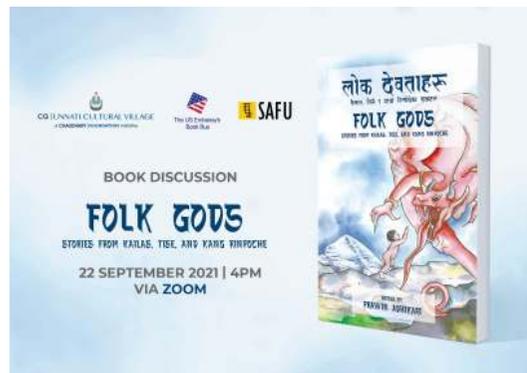
This year, Chaudhary Foundation re-launched the CG Operation Drishti program to provide eye care facilities in the rural and remote communities of all provinces. Up until the present, Foundation has organized two free eye check-up camps at Motipur Health Post, Bansgadhi, Bardiya and Aurabani Health Post, Gadhi, Sunsari. 122 out of 578 people from both districts were found to be diagnosed with cataracts and will be given free surgeries at Fatteh Bal Eye Hospital, Nepalgunj, and Dibya Drishti Eye Hospital, Biratnagar.

Maternal Health Camp



In a joint initiative of Nabil Bank and Nepal Health Corps, Chaudhary Foundation organized two days of Maternal Health Camp in Hupsekot and Kawasoti, Nawalpur. The camp aimed to identify reproductive health issues in women and girls and refer them for prompt treatment to reduce child and maternal mortality rates. The camp screened over 200 women and girls - among them, surgical cases referred will be done at a discounted rate in Chitwan Medical Hospital.

Folk Gods - Book Discussion Session



What are some folktales you know? Are there monsters in your stories? Are there gods? What do

Unnati Cultural Village organized a lively book discussion of Folk Gods on 22 September 2021. Folk Gods is a collection of folk tales from the Kailash region. 5 schools with 15 students, aged 14-18 years old, from Nawalpur district participated in the session. Facilitated by Book Bus Nepal & Safu, these folk stories took students to the lakes and mountains and showed the relationship between ancestors and the lands they called home.

Folk Gods, retold by Prawin Adhikari and translated by Govinda Adhikari.

To download the book: https://lib.icimod.org/.../32580/files/FolkGods_Nepali.pdf

Digital Classroom Handover Program

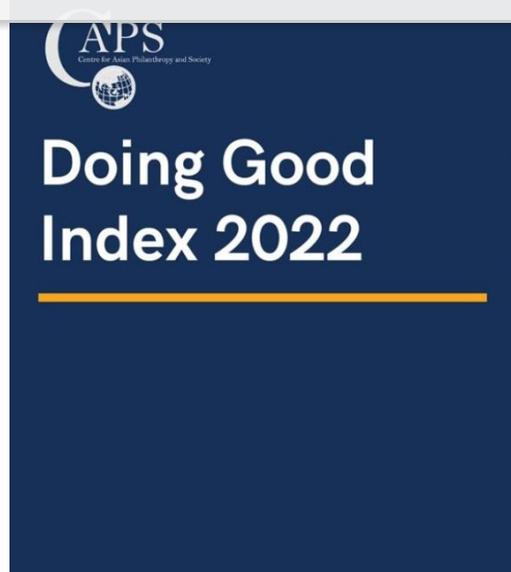


services. In its third phase, the Foundation supported Tribhuvan Secondary School, Bulintar, Nawalpur to set up a Digital Classroom on September 24, 2021.

Earlier in mid-March 2021, Digital Classrooms were established in ten (10) schools of Bardiya, Palpa, Kaski, Parbat, and Sunsari districts, Nepal as part of Phase III.

LG Electronics backend the project by donating a range of ICT devices, including desktop, computers, televisions, and projectors to benefit students to learn computer education simply and efficiently. Further, with the collaboration of Deerwalk Learning Center, e-learning materials (from grade 4 to 10) were installed in the computers of a total 11 schools to use offline courses chapter-wise.

[Doing Good Index 2022](#)



Chaudhary Foundation partnered with the Center for Asian Philanthropy and Society (CAPS) on the Doing Good Index 2022. The Doing Good Index is a comparative study that examines the enabling environment for private social investment in 18 economies, Asia. Ultimately, the Doing Good Index hopes to facilitate positive outcomes such as improved regulations, increased trust, and greater philanthropic giving and support for the social sector. To see how past survey findings are used, please visit the interactive [microsite](#). Download the previous [Doing Good Index](#) and view its [media coverage](#).

This year's index focused on the impact of Covid-19. The Doing Good Index collected data through surveys with 121 Social Development Organizations (SDOs) and an expert meeting. The expert meeting brought together a variety of experts to gain insights on different aspects of the social sector including registering as a legal entity, raising funds, tax exemption and seeking government contracts. The data helped in identifying the social sector's needs moving forward, and propose actions for the public and private sectors to help to meet those needs. The findings of DGI 2022 will be released in mid-2022.

Dashain Lunch with Nirmal Bal Bikas School



Celebrated Dashain 2078 with Nirmal Bal Bikash Vidhyalaya.

Nirmal Bal Bikash Vidhyalaya is a school for children with special needs. On October 11, 2021, the foundation team took the opportunity to spend a good time with Nirmal Bal School over lunch and handed over television for their smart learning.

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