

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th June 2007

Venue: ETH PolyT building 19.00 - 21.00Hrs

People Attended: Mr. Kamlesh, Priyank, Srinjoy, Arvind, Shyam, Anurag, Deepa and her son, Indranil

Project Meeting:

GBM date

- first two weeks of July too early to finish up the project reports, Zuriyodhay etc and during the last two weeks many volunteers are not here.
- Greg (Annual report designer) is in India, so the communication will take time.
- So, possible GBM date is moved to August. 10th or 11th (Friday evening or Saturday morning), last year it was on a Saturday afternoon and was not very convenient to people.

Annual Report

- Articles needed from project coods Chidu, Vishwa, Agomoni
- President's report (german and english) from Vishwa. Also containing general info, 5 years or Asha Zurich, 75k CHF transfered so far etc etc.
- Financial report and NOH '05 final statement from Shyam. - Shyam and Greg will co ordinate the editing and printing the Annual Report. - Deadline for articles for Annual report 22nd June.

Zuriyodhay (priyank, srinjoy)

- Current version needs to be revised/cut- down. So it will take time.
- Extra articles are be moved into Annual report.
- Both Zuriyodhay and Annual report shall be approved in the GBM and mailed to all the members after the GBM.

Akshardeep summary (presented by Shyam on behalf of Baiju)

- The Project is been running well for the 4th year now. Out of the 54 children put in regular schools in 2005, still 45 are continuing their education
- 2 classes out of 10 have been closed due to lack of children. They got money from the Govt. (MPSY funds) and hence started 6 new schools.
- Many teacher training camps were held. They are planning a camp with the French Asociation ASME.
- The Supervisor's salary will be increased (from Rs.4000 to Rs.5000)
- The 13th month salary will be scrapped and instead Provident Fund will be provided to all the staff
- They have in total now 14 clases, 376 children and 15 teachers.

QUESTIONS FROM THE MEMBERS TO MRS. BAPAT

- How many children were put into regular schools after 2005?
- Teachers training finances can be covered bY the surplus money.. no problems from Asha Zurich.
- Provident fund is a good idea and sounds more lucrative to the teachers- so Asha is OK with it. Financial implications not yet known.
- Is the Provident fund(PF) a real one(govt approved etc) or some private? If this is a life long commitment, what will happen when Asha stops funding this project? It is already 4th year of the project.
- There was a surplus earlier on for this project, and now a surplus this year too. Is there a need to reiterate the budget?

Website

- All previous annual reports and Zuriyodhay should appear on the website.-shyam and Anurag will do that.
- Akshardeep summary is quite detailed with number of children etc. This can go on to the website, since the current webpages only contain info on financial transactions - Akshardeep coordinator should do that.
- The summary prepared by Vishwa is very good and should also go on to the website.

Others

- Arvind and Santosh willing to sponsor a small project or small event or a site visit to a project etc or for example some task that requires a lot of administrative expenses.
- Everyone was in agreement with the idea of picnic.. but the possible time seems to be August.
- Kamleshji knows a cheap place (top of a hill with good view and can be reached by a boat from zurich lake). He is willing to enquire its availability once Asha fixes the dates.
- There was also a suggestion that everyone brings one additional friend for the picnic.
- Weltmarkt stall can be put up once again... Deepa willing to help, she needs contacts of others interested people and house-wives who can help.

Minutes by Shyam and Vishwa (10.06.2007)