

## Minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2007

Venue: ETH ML building 19.00 - 20.00Hrs

People Attended: Vishaka Rajput, Shyam, Agomoni, Anurag, Vishwa, Srinjoy

### Project Meeting:

status of the project Ma and Jananee (Agomoni)

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**15.02.07**

First instalment has been received 75 468/-less draft charges = 74 812 /- INR

**06.03.07**

Second instalment received 77 065/- less draft charges= 75 294/- INR

One additional teacher recruited for Jananee from 1st Feb.

Teachers training for three days, 18 hrs being planned

Number of children raised from April to 80, target limit 100 by September 2007

Cooked food arranged for Ma from 21st March

Arranging for land registration by 15th April

Pending salary to workers not paid yet as there are more pressing needs, minimum has been paid until December 2006

**20.03.07**

Target land for Ma suddenly made dearer by several thousands, unaffordable Training planned for 9th to 12th April and Project leader's home with a veteran expert from RK mission Narendrapur

**18.04.07**

After a lot of trouble, land purchased for Ma at a little distance

On 15th April a well was sunk and construction work has begun

But construction stopped next day as material was not sent, difficulties created by some people who weren't given the management of the work...project leader looked upon as an outsider

Now two new teachers: one for Jananee and one at Ma (very sincere but very poor)

Project leader has visited a village of fishermen near Teesta river...very generous people. Are opening another centre there with local donations (each family contribute 2 kg rice per month =150 Kg rice per month)...are thinking of a name for the centre. Two ladies from the community will work as the carers.

**24.04.07**

expecting some govt help for 2004-5 by mid June...not assured

**29.04.07**

Training for workers completed: 9 participants, lunch and travel expenses given for both days. Cost less than half the budget so they may have another after 6 months at conclusion, all three teams were handed packet of soaps, nail cutter, tooth powder, comb, essential medicine for fever, enteric diseases etc.

Resources person were given 150 INR per lecture, and most donated it back to project

**03.05.07**

Expenditure statement until 23rd April sent But building costs have suddenly increased...plus teachers fees...will need about 8000 by end of May. So hoping fund will be available by end of May from us.

**10.05.07**

Expenditure statement until May 8th sent

FCRA papers ready need a letter from us signed in ink with our letterhead.

**16.05.07**

Ma building: brickwork completed, starting on the roof.

Project leader has advised to move in as soon as roof completed, doors, windows and plaster work will be done in parallel.

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First installment was sent to them, but as Ma, Jananee don't have any FCRA the money was transferred to parent organization SAMATAT. But in this process some money had to be used for the bank transfer

process (DD charges, out station check clearing etc). There was a concern about this issue and Agomoni will enquire about this with the project co - ordinator in India.

It was decided to send the second installment at the earliest.

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Disco update from Shyam:

Disco was successful with a profit around 1550 CHF. Shyam/Srinjoy suggested to have the disco on a friday next time. Members also suggested to have another disco in this year some time in November. This has to be discussed further.

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A possibility of organizing a asha picnic in Summer was discussed. No date was finalized.

People also suggested to have one more apero to introduce Asha to many new Indian students.

There is a possibility of having asha info desk in Durgapuja ceremony in Zurich. As Indraneel is one of the co ordinators for the durg puja, there might be a chance that we can have a info desk there. Exact date will be informed later.

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Minutes prepared by Vishwa