

WINTERNEWS 2023 from P3M

From the BOARD

A lot happened in the last few months. We thought we were going to phase out, but there is no sign of that yet. The Annual Meeting was held in November. Because a few board members were ill, we were not complete. The Chairman coordinated the progress with each of the board members in writing and in person. Also, we found a new board member in Franchet. She is the founder of SPOT, see below.

SPOT

SPOT Atelier Alkmaar is a place where people with a need for care work. They make gadgets, which they sell in their shop. In addition to their decision to give a fixed monthly contribution, they also take their own initiatives. For example, one of the participants donates the proceeds of her self-made cards entirely to us. How awesome is that! We are also participating together in a competition organized by Wilde Ganzen, because we think this initiative deserves a prize!



SPOT Atelier gadget



SPOT shop Alkmaar

BISSCHOP BEKKERS FUND

Through us, they support the SUKP for the 2nd time with € 2,500 which will be spent on wheelchairs, mats, stairs, walkers and solar panels.

HOFSTEEFUND

We have submitted a new application to the Hofstee Fund, also to support SUKP with the purchase of a computer, video screen and internet connection. SUKP also wants to pave the muddy path from their center to the road. We will hear whether this will be approved.

BOOKS SUPPORT PEOPLE

In 2021, we received € 1,000 from this fund to purchase books for the library in Bangladesh. Now the books have finally been purchased and we have received the bill.



BANGLADESH, SCSP

In May 2023, at our request, the BONUS for girls in secondary education was awarded for the last time. DCI/RSC no longer wants to cooperate with this.



Farjana completed her secondary education and was married on her 19th.



Morium is 13 and the youngest girl in secondary education



All these Bonus girls wave for the last time

We discovered at the end of 2022 that our donations to DCI/RSC do not always end up in the right place. Fortunately, we were able to rectify that at the beginning of 2023, but we then discussed this extensively with our board. Stop or continue? By stopping our contribution immediately, we would hit DCI/RSC, but the families of the Sun Children, whom we send to school, would also be affected. A real dilemma, which we haven't solved yet.

RITA RANI

Rita Rani is doing well. The leukemia seems to have stopped. So far, we have contributed € 1,400 to the medical costs for Rita Rani's chemo.

BANGLADESH, SUKP

A lot has happened at SUKP over the past six months. Dr. Amin has found a physiotherapist, who will do a training on location for better guidance of the CP children and to help Rina and a few mothers with their professionalization.

In addition, they suggested that all other training courses that we proposed should be done via the internet. That is why they have requested a computer, video screen and internet, so that they can professionalize themselves in the field of manual dexterity to make saleable products, sign language, gardening, and so on.

They would also like a paved path from the center to the road and more solar panels to be able to absorb the failing electricity. In the meantime, they are busy purchasing materials, made possible by a donation.



Gardening



Dancing



Pompons



CP massage

Lesson

Bicycling

KOHINOOR

In 2022, we saw Kohinoor, a girl of almost 3 years old, with club feet who could not yet walk and who visited SUKP regularly. We offered the parents to have her operated on and eventually they agreed. Amin arranged for the orthopedist to perform the necessary surgeries, free of charge. We take care of the costs for hospitalization, rehabilitation and adapted splints and shoes.

NEPAL, Sathya Uddhyan School and Stepping Stone

Both are initiatives of Rashmi Kafle. The construction of Sathya Uddhyan School, a primary school with hostel for underprivileged children, is ready!! For the approximately 50 children we have promised winter coats again.

Stepping Stone follows the children throughout secondary education, while they live 'at home' or 'in rooms' again. A number of them would like to continue their studies. Stepping Stone bears the costs as much as possible, but has asked P3M if they can help. We spoke to a number of teenagers who have beautiful dreams. Becoming a doctor, becoming a lawyer, becoming a social worker or becoming an IT professional. A condition for our contribution is that they are eligible for a government grant. The additional living costs could then be co-financed by us. In this way, it remains the personal responsibility of the young people. At the end of October, we received a calculation from Rashmi for 14 teenagers, of which she had worked out 5. We decided to start with those 5 and see how things go each year. That's 2 teenagers who want to study to be a doctor and 3 who still have to finish high school. Below are the 5 teenagers.

We plan to visit Nepal again in February 2024.



L: Rahul, Ram en Daroga



Next to Mart: Rinky



R: Preeti

BOLIVIA, La Aldea

It's quiet around La Aldea. After our last contribution Christmas '22 and their justification for this, we made another attempt to link them to a horticultural project in Cochabamba. It seems that nothing has been done about it on either side. Cochabamba, where La Aldea is located, is struggling with severe drought, which means that water is becoming increasingly scarce. They use water from the government. We asked what it would cost to have their own water storage. We are waiting for an answer. A visit to Bolivia is planned for mid-March 2024. If no action has been taken in the meantime, we will close this project.