

Asal Chhimekee Nepal (ACN)
(The Social Initiative of Pokhara Christian Community)

Rolpa Wildfire Relief Support Project
PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT

- 1) **Project Name:** Emergency Support to the victims of the wildfire in Rolpa
- 2) **Implementing Organization:** Asal Chhimekee Nepal (ACN), The Social Initiative of Pokhara Christian Community in coordination with International Nepal Fellowship Nepal
- 3) **Project Donor:** Friends of Nepal, Sweden and Relief Board of Netherlands Reformed Congregations
- 4) **Location:** Tribeni Rural Municipality-2, Rolpa
- 5) **Project Period:** 2 months (15th May to 15th July, 2021)

6) Project Implementation and Coordination:

The main objective of the project was to support the CGI sheet (roof tin) to those households that were ravaged by wildfire. This support would help them find a shelter for upcoming monsoon as local government has promised to facilitate the fund for them as a supplement to cover all the expenses for reconstruction of their fire-burnt houses.

In achieving these objectives, ACN actively coordinated with local churches, community members, PCC and other related field members in Tribeni Rural Municipality (RM), Rolpa for approval from local government officials, Social Welfare Council (SWC) and management of the work in the field. ACN closely coordinated with INF Nepal as this was the joint effort to support the affected communities for the preparation of quotation/bidding documentation, analysis and selection of the contractor. Subham Traders from Rolpa RM, Libang-2 was awarded for the project implementation. Beside these, ACN also worked together with other government organizations as needed.

7) Beneficiaries:

19 most affected families who were financially poor and marginalized, were provided with 3 bundles of CGI sheets, 2 pieces of plain sheets and 3 kgs of nails for their house reconstruction support. The related stakeholders in the community and local churches provided the data and supported in selection of the beneficiaries.

8) Issues and Risk:

Procurement process was difficult as most of the suppliers were not willing to provide quotations, pre-packaging of supplies in the store at this time of Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown situations. ACN team worked closely with local churches and INF Nepal in the

project location who facilitated in distribution of materials to the affected families. Though the implementing team in the field were in high risk of being infected from virus, it was managed by maintaining social distance with the beneficiaries.

9) Monitoring and Evaluation:

Government officials from local and district levels, community leaders, church leaders were present in the time distribution. Monitoring and evaluation from SWC, ACN team (executive members and management) is planned to be conducted once the COVID situation is eased. Test (quality) report of the CGI sheet were received before distributing to the beneficiaries. The rural municipality office has been contacted on telephone to receive the updated information regarding current situation of the affected families.

10) Local Church Engagement:

Local churches and the church youths were involved from the beginning of the project. As a local persons in the community, the factual data and information were received with the help of these local church leaders. They also supported in every step of the project (implementation and handover) which helped the local church to build and strengthen the good relation with community and local government. They also earned trust and appreciation from the local community.

11) Conclusion:

The project has been completed successfully now. The activities in the project were designed to support the very poor families who were affected due to wildfire in Rolpa. Beneficiaries of the project were very glad and thankful to receive the house reconstruction support materials at the time of critical situation created by COVID-19.

12) Photos:



Beneficiaries maintaining social distance



During distribution program



During distribution program



With ward and local representatives



Appreciation received from Rural Municipality



Group photo with local govt & beneficiaries

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