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# Closing the gap

Educational opportunities through laptop donations in Rolwaling Valley, Dolakhā District, Nepal project by Explora Nunaat International

#### Introduction:

The project "Closing the gap" aims to collect used laptops and donate them to the schools in the remote mountain area of Rolwaling, Nepal. These schools have recently gained access to electricity and can now begin to use computers for educational purposes. The donated laptops will be equipped with essential software for writing, drawing, learning languages, and accessing offline educational resources such as Wikipedia and kids' encyclopedias.

## **Background:**

Education is crucial to individual and societal development, and access to quality education is a basic human right. Unfortunately, remote areas in Nepal, such as Rolwaling, have limited access to education due to their geographical location and lack of resources. In recent years, Nepal has made significant progress in improving access to education, but there are still challenges to be addressed, such as access to technology.

#### **Objectives:**

The primary objective of the "Closing the gap" project is to provide access to technology for schools in Rolwaling, Nepal. By donating used laptops, we aim to create a more equitable education system, where all students have access to modern technology and resources. This will facilitate learning, increase students' interest in education, and help them to develop important new skills.

### Methodology:

The project will involve collecting used laptops from donors who are willing to donate their unused or old but good laptops. Once collected, the laptops will be checked for functionality and repaired if necessary. Essential software for writing, drawing, learning English, and accessing educational resources will be installed. The laptops will then be transported by the Explora Nunaat International team to the schools in Rolwaling, where they will be distributed among the students.

## **Expected Outcomes:**

We aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- Increase access to technology for schools in Rolwaling, Nepal.
- Facilitate learning and improve students' interest in education.

- Provide students with essential skills and knowledge.
- Improve the overall education system in remote areas of Nepal.
- Encourage more people to donate their old or unused laptops.

## Why is it important to use computers to learn?

In today's world, technology has become an essential part of our lives, and it has a significant impact on the way we learn. Computers provide students with access to a vast amount of information, which was previously not available. Students can use computers to research, write, create, and share information. This not only enhances their knowledge but also develops their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Moreover, computers enable students to learn at their own pace and in their own style. With the help of interactive multimedia resources, students can understand complex concepts more easily.

In conclusion, the "Closing the Gap" project will make a significant contribution to the education system in remote areas of Nepal by providing students with access to modern technology and resources. It will help students develop new skills, which will enable them to achieve their personal goals and contribute to their communities' development.



Dear Erich,

as you already know, I am part of an Italian association called Explora Nunaat International: in one month I'm going back to Nepal with a mission called "Tabyayabyum 2023" and one of the goals is to implement a project called "Closing the gap" (document attached) which aims to donate used laptops to a school in the remote Rolwaling valley, Nepal. The project's objective is to improve access to education and technology, which is critical for societal development.

If you have in the company some laptops in good condition, I would be grateful if you could donate some of them to our project; they can make a huge difference in the lives of the young students in the school of Beding, Rolwaling valley - Nepal.

Our association, along with the Nepalese association We Will Rise foundation and the Dreamers Destinations trek., will collect the laptops and transport them to the school in the Rolwaling valley. Your company's contribution would be a valuable one, and it would help to make a significant difference in the lives of these Nepalese kids and all their Sherpa community.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Paolo Cocco Explora Nunaat International February 1st - 2023