

## **Ken Noguchi, Chairman of Peak Aid visit Nepal Sep 2019,**

On 12<sup>th</sup> of September, Ken Noguchi arrived Kathmandu by Thai airlines and in the evening we had a dinner program with Mr. Ang Tshering Sherpa, Thukten Sherpa at Mulchok Restaurant.



On 13<sup>th</sup> of Sep 2019, Ken San was busy for the preparation for Manaslu Expedition in Kathmandu.

14<sup>th</sup> of Sep 2019, Ken San & I took a helicopter flight to Sama from Kathmandu at morning 7 AM but due bad weather in route to Samagaun, we landed some where near Gorkha and waited about 2 hours. The weather was not that good but finally we landed at Samagaun. We were welcomed by the local people of Sama and team members of Ken Noguchi Manaslu Expedition, Mr Hiraga , Ms Akene Matsumoto, Sirdar Ang Sandup & Cook Dendi Sherpa. After lunch I visited to the Sama Nursery to meet Ang Tharke & to see the progress of Nursery. We were so happy seeing the progress of seedling inside the Nursery.

5 years ago when Ang Tharke came to Sama he said people only grew vegetables like lettuce and Potatoes. At the nursery he introduced planting carrots, tomatoes, red turnips, Cauliflower, Cabbage and cucumbers, which now got very popular and villagers are growing these vegetable and are serving healthy food for themselves as well as for the ever increasing tourist around.





















On 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2019, Morning despite being busy with tourism & harvest season many of Sama villagers as well as Sama school students participated Peak Aid Cleaning Campaign in Sama.



After the lunch Ken San had a live Skype Phone conversation with the team of Japan. The Internet wifi connection was so poor although Ken San managed to have a live conversation with Japan by satellite internet service.

The school management committee set up welcome program and hostel Kitchen, Dining, shower & Toilet opening ceremony at school in the afternoon. We walked down to School at 2:30 PM for the inauguration of School Kitchen and Dinning hall as well as toilet and shower building that Peak Aid supported. It was so nice to see Hailing Nepal and Japan flag by the young students when we entered the school ground. The School family, parents and children welcomed & thanked Ken Noguchi, by offering Khada for his long dedication towards the school.









































On the 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> September 2019, due to bad weather and heavy rain Ken San & team didn't trek to Manasulu Base camp. I was also stocked in Sama and spent additional days at Sama. We visited the Plantation area and Fenced Area. The planted seedlings were progressing well and because of the Mesh Wire Fence the planted seedlings are well preserved. We have planted the seedlings to the plantation area, 3000 seedlings were planted in 2018 & 12000 seedlings were planted in July 2019. There are 15000 seedlings inside the Nursery which need to go to the plantation site in 2020 June-July.

As per 5 years project plan, we have plan to produce 15000 new seedlings in the year 2020 Spring & take care of it until June 2021. We have plan to hand over the Nursery to local of Sama in 2021 June. Ang Tharke & team have suggested us to produce 15000 Chising only as it is more healthy and progressing better than other spices. The total no of seedling from 2016 to 2021 will be 45000. I am very happy that Ang Tharke Sherpa accepted my request and is willing to work in Sama until June 2021.







18<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Helicopter flight back to Kathmandu.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019, Meeting with MRTFN members Ang Tshering, Thukten Sherpa, Lhakpa Doma, Ang Doka and Doma Tshering held at Thamel regarding my recent trip to Sama and general activities of Mountaineering Rescue Training Foundation of Nepal. At the meeting we also summarized five years (2016 June to 2021 June) work plan of Sama Nursery Plantation Project financed by Peak Aid Japan.

As per the five year project plan, we have 15,000 seedling production next year 2020 Spring so there will be Total 45000 seedlings. I request you to go through this budget plan and ignore the previous email that I sent you regarding the budget request of production of 20,000 seedlings. We will update you for the Monastery Area Fencing budget after we receive detail estimate from (MEED) Foundation.

**(Yearly wise estimated budget for plantation programme in Sama village As per Five Years Project Plan from 2016 June To 2021 June)**

SN	Item/activities	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1	Nursery establishment/fencing and layout	2,242,710.50	-	-	-	-
2	Nursery operation and running cost for five years	874,636.40	1,418,340.00	1,552,650.00	1,192,950.00	1,093,950.00
3	Plantation area protection and workshops	-	-	1,005,400.00	1,760,000.00	2,299,000.00
4	Monitoring & Evaluation		160,000.00	160,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00
5	Administration including audit & other fee	360,000.00	360,000.00	380,000.00	380,000.00	400,000.00
6	Additional Salary of Ang Tharke Sherpa		60000	113400.00	180000.00	180000.00
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,477,346.90</b>	<b>1,998,340.00</b>	<b>3211450.00</b>	<b>3,687,950.00</b>	<b>4,147,950.00</b>

Pasang Dawa Sherpa  
24<sup>th</sup> September 2019



