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#### "Moments with the Kids"

Hem's visit to NCEF students in Nepal.

# About NCEF...

NCEF is a non-profit organization whose mission is to develop the potential of disadvantaged Nepalese children through education. Need-based scholarships are provided to deserving students who would otherwise be unable to attend school. Our social workers in Nepal meet regularly with the selected children and their parents to assist in each child's development. We dedicate our resources to each NCEF child until they complete high school (12th grade).

# HIGHLIGHTS...

Student Selection for the 2005-2006 Academic Year



Location	New Students	Continued Students	Under Evaluation
Kathmandu	0	7	3
Kavre	0	3	1
Mustang	2	0	0
Nepalgunj	5	4	1
Patan	7	0	0

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## Passing the "Iron-Gate"

The School Leaving Certificate (SLC) exam is considered the *Iron-Gate*, a gate that marks the completion of primary education and the start of a journey for obtaining higher education. Out of the five NCEF students who took the exam this year, it has been confirmed that four have passed and we are currently awaiting the status of the fifth student.

### **Making Donations:**

#### Online:

http://www.nepalchildren.org/donation.html

#### □ Checks:

Make checks payable to:

Nepalese Children Education Fund or NCEF

Mailing address:

Nepalese Children's Education Fund P.O. Box 380061 Cambridge, MA 02238-0061 USA

### Questions?

Website:

http://www.nepalchildren.org/donation.html

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### Education and a lot More...

Parents of NCEF students are thankful to the organization for supporting their child's education. NCEF students are also thankful; however, it has become clear that they have found many other reasons for feeling grateful.

In Patan, Laxmi was excited about securing third place in her school's badminton competition.

Sujal in Nepalgunj was happy to start classes at a new school, and was pleasantly surprised to find a good friend who was already attending the school.

To promote extracurricular development and to build up friendships among the students, NCEF sponsored two field trips. A picnic program was held in Kohalpur, Chatar on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Students also enjoyed a visit to Mahendra Park and boating on Rani Lake on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Indeed, NCEF students experience something positive beyond their academic life.

### **Recycling for Education?**

Can recycling of everyday wastes put a deserving child through a year of school? NCEF volunteer Hem B. Pokharel claims that it is possible. With a little bit of time and "a lot of patience, advertisement, interest and devotion," he believes that a recycling project will prove very beneficial. In fact, collecting bottles from the Boston area alone raised \$300 last year. With a greater network of volunteers, Hem hopes that a recycling project will help NCEF reach its financial goals. For more information, please visit: http://www.nepalchildren.org/bottles/

# **Getting Involved:**

## Why?

- To make a lasting difference in the lives of children.
- To be a part of an exciting team of interesting and dedicated volunteers.
- To put your spare time, no matter how little, to good use.

#### How?

- Join our announcements list!
- Help fundraise money for NCEF scholarships.
- Help with the administrative aspects of NCEF.
- Take part in discussions to ensure NCEF is increasingly effective.
- Help expand NCEF to new areas in Nepal
- Become a field volunteer in Nepal.
- Help lead NCEF by running for a position on the Board or Executive Committee.