



Budujemy
szkołę w Nepalu

We are bulding a school in Nepal

On April 25, 2015, a massive earthquake ruined Nepal, one of the poorest countries in the world.

A few days after the earthquake, Maciej Pastwa, a traveller from Poznan, reached the village Bakrang-6, Gorkha district, 50 kilometers from the epicenter. Together with the „Better World” association, he decided to rebuild a devastated school, attended by 300 pupils on a regular basis. The traveller founded, jointly with the principal, one of the teachers and some benevolent Nepali people, a vountary committee, aiming at rebuilding the school. They shared their idea with the local authorities, who appreciated the efforts of the committee and expressed their will to support the planned actions. Only 60% of the Nepali society can read and write, thus rebuilding this school is particularly important.

Our goal is to rebuild a 500 square meter school, comprised of 14 classrooms. Its construction will begin in November, 2015.

What do we plan to do?

Unfortunately, three out of four buildings, belonging to the school complex, have to be pulled down. The last building requires mending and in the future it will be possible to set up a secretariat there. We also plan to build a new, 500 square meter, two-storey school, comprised of 14 classrooms. We also intend to extend the project, making it possible for the volunteers to organize extracurricular activities for children, including English lessons.

We wish to start the construction in November, 2015. At present, the monsoon season in Nepal makes it impossible to supply building materials from a nearby town. Therefore, in

the upcoming few months, we would like to concentrate on preparing the reconstruction and collecting the required funds. Our Nepali friends have built a provisional construction from bamboo and plastic tarpaulins, which will serve as a school building until Maciej arrives. We are in continuous contact with the Nepali people, hence we are able to prepare ourselves together for the proceedings this fall.

Where do we find the money for all of this?

In order to rebuild the school, we will need large sums of money. The predicted cost of the whole design accomplishment is 400 000 PLN. Due to the fact that the cost is so high, we intend to involve various groups in this action. We will kick off with a money raise among the citizens of Poznan, and from September we will extend the project to different schools across Wielkopolska province. In this way, Polish pupils will have a chance to help their Nepali peers.

In addition, Maciej Pastwa has declared that he will cover a part of the above mentioned amount, by selling his own apartment, and people from Bakrang-6 have promised to pull down the devastated school buildings themselves, consequently we won't have to cover the demolition costs.

We would like to collect the remaining amount with the support of the "Polak Potrafi" community: www.polakpotrafi.pl/projekt/nepal

How can you help?

If we are to rebuild the school, we will need significant funds and support. You can:

- support the action financially by paying any amount into a special bank account: 26 1030 0019 0109 8503 3000 6755 (EUR: 20 1030 0019 0109 7806 0105 0038),
- help to organize the money raise itself along with the accompanying events,
- share the information concerning the action with your friends and relatives, and encourage them to support the initiative,
- offer your own idea on how to disseminate the action.

Let's rebuild the Nepali school together!

The coordinator of the action:

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A traveller and a community worker. Doing hitch-hiking, driving a 20-year-old Mercedes, riding a motorbike or a bicycle, he covered over 60 thousand square kilometers, having seen the sights of over 90 countries on 6 continents. During his journeys, he accomplished many unconventional social projects. For the last few years, he has been cooperating with the “Better World” association from Poznan, jointly conducting the action “People from Poznan help the Syrian refugees”, which had been his initiative.

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The “Better World” association has been operating in Poznan for the last 10 years. It deals with social assistance, education and promoting voluntary services. It also supports the rank-and-file initiatives and motivates local community to act. It promotes international and social solidarity, human rights and sustainable growth.