

The association

ARAGUA has set its focus on the support for the appropriate education of children, youths and grown-ups, especially in those regions, in which such a basic support is not sufficiently ensured. The main focus is on the Himalayan region.

The association is the link between donors, sponsors and the projects in the Himalaya. It keeps you informed about the status of the projects and ensures an efficient and transparent use of the donations. The administrative costs are kept to a minimum, because every

active member is working voluntarily and for free.

The association is a recognized charity. Every donation, each sponsorship and the membership payments forwarded to ARAGUA can be offset against tax.

We provide you with a donation certificate recognized by the tax office.

Please support "Lo Kunphen Medical School" project

Support us by:

- a sponsorship for a school place on an monthly basis of 30€
 - a shared sponsorship of 15€ or 10€
 - a 1€ sponsorship
 - ARAGUA membership with an annual rate of 60€
- or one-off donations.

Please feel free to call us, send us an e-mail

or write a letter.

We would be glad to answer further questions in detail and provide you with required sponsorship- or donation-material.

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The present main project is the support of Lo Kunphen Medical School and Clinic in Lo Manthang, located in the Mustang region, Nepal.

The region

Mustang, a remote mountainous region in the Himalaya, is a district of Nepal.

The northern part, Upper Mustang, is neighbouring Tibet. Most inhabitants practice the Buddhist religion and are shaped by close links to Tibet, culturally as well as religiously. There is a common and deep believe in traditional Tibetan medicine.

The only means of transportation is by horseback or travelling with a caravan. Mustang's geographical remoteness is one of the main

reasons for the existing serious lack of adequate healthcare. In this rural area, families depend on their children's help with subsistence farming.

Many children do not have access to a regular, formal education. Because of the harsh climate in the wintertime, a major part of the population has to move to the lowlands .



Dormitory for eleven students

Due to this fact, in winter the medical school takes place in Pokhara for three months. Pokhara is a town located in the south of Lo Manthang, a ten days' hike off.

The school

The school is registered with the state. The students range in age from 10 to 19 years. They get a basic education and furthermore receive training in anatomy, physiology and Tibetan medicine. After having passed the standard Nepali curriculum, the students can

qualify as Community Medical Assistant. They have to pass grades 9 and 10, followed by a 9 month



School yard with adjacent boys' dormitory

apprenticeship in the connected clinics. The next level of study, the training to become a Health Assistant is scheduled. In the future, students shall be given the opportunity to qualify themselves even further and to become an Amchi, a doctor in Tibetan medicine. The costs for one student are 30€ a month, or 360€ for the whole school year. This calculation includes the complete boarding costs, food, school material and the travel expenses forward and backward to winter school. Part of the teachers salaries are also financed through this source.

Like this, a focused sponsoring should entitle children and young people, whose families could not afford it otherwise, to a school edu-

cation. Another aim is to keep the rich culture of Mustang and its traditions alive. In the form of and by the help of the Lo Kunphen-trained Health Assistants the healthcare is to be efficiently improved.

Specific support

The main goal of ARAGUA is to make sure that children are enabled to start, continue and successfully finish their education. Therefore, we seek your support. You may guarantee a study place for a student by:

- accepting a complete sponsorship
- starting a part sponsorship with up to two more supporters
- becoming a one-€-sponsor (like this, 30 people could also finance a study place for a longer interval.

The duration of your sponsorship is your decision. Every sponsor gets regular reports about the progress at school, as well as personal letter and photographs.

Besides, one-time donations are an enormous help for the preservation of the school, for the improvement of its equipment and for the payment of the teaching personal. You are welcome to join ARAGUA. Of course, your contribution will only be used for the associations' interests.