

United Mission to Nepal Hospitals' Endowment Trust UMNHET July 2014
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Dear Friends of UMNHET

Thank you so much for your continued faithful support of United Mission to Nepal Hospitals' Endowment Trust. Our continuing primary aim is to support the medical care of the poorest patients attending the four hospitals of **Patan, Amp Pipal, Tansen and Okhaldhunga**. Patan and Amp Pipal are now independent of UMN while the other two hospitals continue to come under UMN leadership. UMN has reached its 60th anniversary this year and there have been joyful celebrations.

The Trust investments have benefited from regular givers and one large legacy during this last 12 months. Income from the investments is distributed proportionately to the four hospitals for free and subsidised care.

Our general funds are distributed to the hospitals and health related projects being run for the benefit of the poor. Each year the Trustees consider a number of other specific applications for funding for example **Shanti Nepal** and **Anandaban Hospital**. This year over £38 000 will be shared between the hospitals

The trustees meet once a year to hear reports from each of the hospitals and health projects and oversee the distribution of funds. Half of the trustees have had the opportunity to visit Nepal in this last 12 months (self funded) and are therefore able to give personal updates about various projects and meetings with key Nepali and expatriates working in Nepal.

It is with great sadness that the trustees report the death of Dr. Bill Gould OBE. He was a founder member of UMNHET but had to step down some years ago due to failing health.

In **Patan Hospital** the donations are specifically used for paediatric care of the very poorest patients. Trustees have had good contact with Dr Shrijana Shrestha the consultant in charge of paediatrics. **Tansen Hospital** has seen some very positive developments including finishing the new emergency room, current new building projects for teaching and accommodation, the New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Centre and the pastoral team taking and passing the final stage of the 4 year Diploma in Pastoral Healing Ministry course. The **Okhaldhunga** building project progresses well with three new facilities, a TB unit, outpatient department and main treatment centre. Our trustees Maureen and Michael met Kumari Nepali from Okhaldhunga who lost both her legs and was referred to Anandaban Leprosy Hospital for rehabilitation. The charity fund paid for her whole care including food and fitting of new limbs.



Kumari Nepali at Anandaban Hospital

UMNHET provided £1,000 through **Shanti Nepal** to fund an employee at the Bhaltar Clinic, a sub-health post which was set up about 3 years ago. The clinic was set up by the local church and is situated next door. There are 2 full time and 1 part time staff. It serves 3 VDCs (Village Development Committees) and in 2013, 2833 patients were treated.

The trustees send this letter with grateful thanks to all our donors and hope that you will continue to be committed to the ongoing work in helping the poor in Nepal. All the Hospitals and UMNHET have their own website and can be found easily on line.

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Sick newborn baby in Tansen



Operating in Tansen



New building in Okhaldungha