

## Activity Report 2022



As in many other areas and countries, in 2022 our organisation was able to switch from crisis mode back to normal mode. As the corona crisis was also largely overcome in Nepal, which meant that the intensive cooperation with our long-standing partner association SEO led to the implementation of a range of different projects. We take the opportunity to highlight the smooth, reliable, and cooperative partnership with SEO.

The following review provides information on the activities of the Pro Nepal Association in the past year. For our projects and activities linked to pictures we refer to our website: [www.pronepal.org](http://www.pronepal.org)

- The accounts for the Covid isolation centres and the medical rooms were submitted to our provincial government office on time.
- A residual amount was used to partially finance school meals for around 250 children at various schools in the district of Kavrepalanchok.
- A piglet rearing programme was launched.
- Work on the deep well and the reservoir was completed in summer 2022.
- In the village of Baisepathi (Banepa district) and in Ghinghe, the equipment for the school's medical room was financed.
- At the Shree Chakreshwori Secondary School in Mahendrajyoti (Kavre), a health centre was set up.
- The knitting project 2 was completed in April, but some of the women involved in the project continued to receive support on request. In summer, the 3rd edition of the knitting project began, which will train a further 20 women and the purchase of knitting machines.
- In co-operation with the Vorarlberg association Chay Ya, the construction of an organic model farm for around 45 women in Mulkot/District Dang (about 280 kilometres west of Kathmandu) was co-financed.
- In memory of the deceased founder of the organisation, Helene Egger Matscher, the Board has decided to dedicate a project to her. After some initial difficulties, this will be implemented in Thamo (Solu Khumbu). In collaboration with Buddi Maya Sherpa, the accommodation for the staff working at the health post in Thamo health post is being extended and furnished.
- Numerous sponsored children (over 40) were supported by the association by the organisation itself or by their sponsors.

In June, some members of the Board of Directors visited the partner association Chay Ya in Bizau/Vorarlberg and gained a more detailed insight into the work of the association and its network.

The highlight of the association's work this year was the trip to Nepal by several Board members in September. Together they visited the various projects on site together with our partner organisation SEO and attended the inauguration ceremony for the deep well in Sanga.

With satisfaction about what has been achieved, numerous suggestions for new projects and unforgettable impressions, they returned from the beautiful country.

In late autumn, a charity event was organised in Merano and Bozen/Bolzano with a multimedia travelogue, dance performances and a market stall.

Further campaigns were organised to collect donations, namely ten flea markets and an Advent market were held in Merano/Meran; and the sale of the table calendar designed by Margit Köfler.

Five Board meetings were held during the year, as well as the Annual General Meeting in April.

In addition, the association's website was revised, and a new newsletter was set up.

One Board member took part in the annual meeting of the South Tyrolean Network for Sustainability. The daily newspaper Alto Adige and the BAZ published an article about the trip to Nepal and the project visits.

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The Chairman: Riccardo Ruffini

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