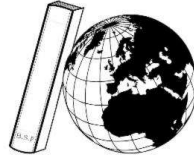


BUILD A 21ST CENTURY LIBRARY, STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Core Objective: To tackle the real root of the issue of human trafficking by providing access to information and education through a 21st century library.



Bibliothèques Sans Frontières
Libraries Without Borders



Project Nepal aims to build the first library in the Batase Village, Nepal, with the collaboration of Libraries Without Borders (Paris, France), Friends of Himalayan Children (Cairns, Australia), Cairns State High School and the Australian National University (Canberra, Australia). This is an international project with various countries involved in the design, fundraising and the construction of the library.

Human trafficking is heavily present in Nepal due to the **lack of awareness and access to information**. Batase village is a high-risk traffic zone due to its proximity to Kathmandu.







- o There are an **estimated 27 million adults** and **13 million children** around the world who are victims of human trafficking.
- o Every day more than **54 young girls and women** are trafficked out of Nepal and into India to enter a life of slavery.
- o Many of the women and children are from **poor, remote areas** of Nepal who are struggling to look after their families.
- o **Lack of education, illiteracy and poverty** are the biggest causes of human trafficking as these people are most vulnerable to misinformation and manipulation.

But a LIBRARY can change this situation.

We aim to decrease *vulnerability* by providing access to essential information through a digital library, higher quality educational support and the opportunity to show that the vulnerable know of which they perceive as reality is NOT THE TRUTH. And as a result, we aim to break the cycle of human trafficking in remote villages of Nepal.

Our Tool: KOOMBOOK – the Digital Library

KOOMBOOK, SUMMARY

-  The KoomBook emits a close range wi-fi signal. (up to 20m away)
-  Users can connect to the wi-fi via their **phones, tablets, and computers.**
-  Users easily navigate the server through any existing **internet browsers.**
-  Users can browse content as well as download and upload **their own content to be shared.**
-  When the KoomBook is connected to the internet, **it updates** all locally created content to the cloud.
-  Comes with up to **5 hours** of battery life!



Access to Information & Education = End of the Cycle of Human Trafficking



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