

“I am very happy to see Dirgha in such a good situation and bright!”



May I know your name, please?

My name is Navaraj Shahi. I am the maternal uncle of Dirgha Bahadur Chatyal. Dirgha's father expired and his mother too left Dirgha and married to another person in Bajura district. Dirgha is living with me as there is nobody to look after him.

Can you tell me about your background?

My economic situation is very poor. I have a large family and it is very difficult to manage the living cost of the whole family. The land is not enough and the agricultural products produced in the land are hardly sufficient for three months. To manage the cost of living for the remaining months, we have to work very hard in other people's houses.

How are you feeling after READI has enrolled Dirgha in its hostel?

I am very happy that READI has taken the responsibility with recommendation from local school and Village Development Committee (VDC) office to provide education, food and health facilities to Dirgha who has nobody to take care after him. I am thankful to READI that they selected him whose father passed away when he was a year old and his mother too left him when the boy was around 18 months. After that I brought the boy in my house and at the time I brought him, he was very weak and was suffering from malnutrition. Due to my own economic situation I was not able to take good care of him.

Now I am very happy to see him in a good situation. He got the opportunity to get food, education and health facilities. Sometimes it is very difficult for me to believe that Dirgha could be in such a good situation. Even he is getting education in private school which is beyond the capacity of poor people in Humla. He is doing very good in education and secured highest marks in the school. He is very happy in the hostel. This is all possible due to the support of READI.

How long Dirgha has been staying in the hostel?

Dirgha has been living in this hostel for about three years. He is in a good health condition and is able to read and write. I wish this organization carry this type of humanitarian work in the future too and provide services to the children who are out of school due to poverty. The presence of organizations like READI is very essential in Humla.

“Sending my son to school was not possible as I belong to Dalit community”

May I know your name, please?

My name is Jhan Singha Damai. I am from Chhipra VDC of Humla and the name of my son is Ubjan Nepali.

Can you please tell me about your background?

I belong to Dalit which is the most backward cast in Humla. We don't get enough to eat although we work very hard. We have nothing except a small house, no land, no animals. We have to work in other's land. The yearly income is hardly enough for four months.

How are you feeling about the support of READI?

I am very happy because READI has provided such facilities to the children of very poor Dalits, Janajatis and helpless families. My son is getting education in private school due to this organization. I feel proud of this because sending my son to school was not possible for me. Besides private schools are expensive in Humla and the food is also very expensive. Though I am not able to get good food, I am happy that my son is able to get food, shelter and education in a good place. For my family, this organization is like God. Thank you so much for this organization.

How long your son has been staying in this hostel?

Ha has been staying here for the last three years. He is doing well in studies and is healthy. It was beyond our imagination. I wish this hostel would be able to provide such facilities to many more children who are deprived of education due to poverty. I wish good luck for the work of READI in Humla.



“Because of poverty education doesn’t keep much importance for me.”



May I know your name, please?

My name is Puspa Sunar. I am from Chhipra VDC of Humla district and my daughter is Sushila Sunar who is living in this hostel.

Can you tell me about your family background?

I belong to Dalit community and my economic situation is very poor. Dalits are the most backward cast in Humla. We don’t have land to work and we are compelled to work in other’s land. The income is not sufficient for more than three or four months. Besides I have many children and am unable to provide them good food, health and education.

How are you feeling about your daughter who is enrolled in READI?

I am very glad about this. At least one of my children got an opportunity to study. Another thing is that providing education for the children is beyond my capacity. Because of poverty education does not keep much importance for me. This organization has managed my daughter to study in a private school which I cannot imagine to afford. I am feeling very proud of this. Sushila is now in a good health situation and she can read and write. Even she can speak English. I would like to say thank you to READI for doing such a good job in the remote place like Humla.

How long your daughter has been staying in this hostel?

Sushila has been staying in this hostel for the last three years and she is doing well. This organization has managed food, living and education facilities for her.

“This organization has become like our parents.”

May I know your name please?

My name is Nabaraj Budha. I am from Syada VDC of Humla district. My sister is Kopila Budha who is living in the hostel run by READI. When Kopila was four years old our parents died. After the death of my father and mother there is nobody to look after us. We are orphans. Among thirty children living in the hostel one of them is my sister Kopila.



Can you tell me about your background, please?

You can imagine the situation in the house where there is no one to look after the children. There are six children including me. Our parents passed away in the same year and I was studying in grade three in a government school. There is no elder member in the family and I left the school. I started looking and grazing cattle in the villagers' house. With the crops I got from the villagers, I fed my little sisters and brothers. I have nothing even a small piece of land. I am bound to do hard labour daily and from the income I am running my daily life. We all work in the villager's house for our daily living.

One of your sisters is admitted by READI. How do you feel about this?

I am feeling very happy after my sister is selected by READI. Now she is living in the hostel. She is getting food and education. I didn't get opportunity to go school after the death of my parents but I am happy that at least one of my sisters is getting education in a private school. If READI was not established in Humla my sister would have been deprived of education. This organization has become like our parents. I wish this organization success and do hope that many other helpless children who are deprived of education due to poverty get support from this organization.

For how long your sister has been supported by READI?

Kopila has been supported by this organization for the last three years. I am very happy about this. Though five of us were unable to get education, Kopila got an opportunity. This organization is providing education to many helpless children. I wish this organization run for many years and continue support helpless children.

“This organization has proved to be a boon for me.”



May I know your name please?

My name is Yangchhiring Lama. I live in Bargaun VDC of Humla. My son is Sandup Lama. He is living in the hostel.

Tell me about your background.

My economic situation is very weak. It is not possible for me to educate my children and the earning is not enough for more than three or four months. The life is very difficult and due to the remoteness it is very expensive.

How are you feeling about your son who is supported by READI?

We are far behind in education and I am happy as Sandup is supported by this organization. From my side it was not possible to educate Sandup. Due to poverty we take our child along with us wherever we go to work and do not pay much attention towards their education. My family is one of the poorest families in Bargaun VDC. I have nothing except a small

house and a piece of land. I don't have animals like cow, goat, etc. I have a small piece of land which is not sufficient to produce crops for the whole year. I do labor work and make some earning which is not sufficient for the big family. Sandup got an opportunity in READI but rest of my children are not getting education. They are compelled to work in others' houses to meet the daily cost of living. This organization has proved to be a boon for me. Before this organization was established, I approached to other organizations but nobody listened. Now I am glad that READI has taken the responsibility of educating one of my sons. I wish this organization work in Humla for many years and support helpless children in their education.

For how long your child has been staying in this hostel?

It's been already three years that this organization has provided support for Sandup's education. I am very happy that this organization is providing support to orphan, helpless children from Dalit, Janajati and very poor family. There are other organizations as well in Humla but READI has shown initiative to uplift the life of poor by educating them. I hope READI would continue to support in the future as well.