### Newsletter No. 5 2021 from KMCH Support Group

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### Hello, Namaste and Thashi Delek

Now the school has been running since the beginning of September, so this autumn has been almost normal. No infections of Covid-19 have been noted so the studies have worked well. The use of hand sanitizer and face masks has probably contributed to this. The large purchases of COVID-19 prevention last year have come in handy.



Fully loaded at school, but when reading at the home, they get warm from a stove. The comfort is not as with us, but the lamp of school diligence is on.

When you receive this newsletter, the school is likely to be closed and the children are with their families. I guess the school has been kept open for as long as possible before the snow makes the hike between the villages very difficult. At the beginning of December, the snow began to settle.

As we have previously written, since the spring there has been a full focus on the investments that we have sent over money for. This applies to reading lamps for the children, a new greenhouse, fences around our fruit trees and our nursery, storage boxes for rice and flour and the purchase of a food processor and a wood splitter.



Now our fruit tree plantings are starting to yield It will gradually increase for the benefit of our harvest.

proud apple grovers.

The storage boxes are soon ready, and fences have been built on several places where we have planted fruit trees. A food processor and a wood splitter have been purchased, so much has happened. The remaining projects will hopefully be completed next year.



Fences around one of our plantantions.

Picnics are an appreciated activity.

#### **Exhibition about KMCH**

We will now urgently take up the work on the exhibition about KMCH intended for Sweden. The first show is scheduled for April 24, 2022, at **Ekebyhov Castle** on Ekerö.

As mentioned earlier, the ambition is to be able to take the exhibition with us to different places in Sweden to inform about KMCH and about Nepal and thus perhaps also to increase the number of donors to KMCH, which is very important for us.



#### Up-to-date information on politics and more in Nepal (Italo)

In December about thirty percent of the Nepalese population were fully vaccinated.

Several of the major parties are now having party conventions. Just like here in Sweden a big focus is on preparing for the elections taking place next year, probably in November/December. I look at the

photos from these party conventions. It is the same story all over again. I see almost only men in these photos. It must be so hard to be a young Nepalese, especially a young woman, to constantly see these men fighting and intriguing for their own power positions.

A national census was conducted from November 11 to November 25. Kathmandu Post report how many Dalits gave false surname. They were afraid their landlords would evict them if they found out they are Dalit. For decades, Nepal has struggled to abolish caste-based discrimination and untouchability. The Constitution of Nepal provide clear protection for Dalits. But despite the legal provision the hardships for Dalits continue.

A tiger census will be conducted from December until mid-January. There has been an increase in numbers of tigers in Nepal. Now there are about 250 tigers in Nepal. More tigers of course demand a bigger access to more prey. One reason why tigers now more often are seen up in higher regions is lack of prey in the lowlands.



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