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# Executive Director's Report FALL 2020 UPDATE

## **Important - New SEHF Mailing Address**

Effective immediately our Admin support network will be operating from remote office locations. We ask that you update your SEHF contact information and direct any future correspondence to our <u>new</u> dedicated mailing address:

The Sir Edmund Hillary Foundation 3-1750 The Queensway Suite 1107 Toronto, Ontario, M9C 5H5 Canada

SEHF office telephone number and email contact info remain the same:

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### **Hospital Report**

Doctor Kami Temba Sherpa reports that the Kunde Hospital is doing well amidst the Pandemic. There are few adequate testing kits available to the Region, however as of September, there were no COVID-19 related cases seen at the Hospital or reported in the Kumbu Region. The Nepal Government currently reserves testing kits for the more densely populated and harder hit Urban areas.

For their part, Kunde Hospital staff continue to educate and support Everest communities regarding the virus, and in their local language. They are promoting proper hygiene but admit that monitoring social distancing measures is difficult, particularly during planting season.

Check out our website at www.thesiredmundhillaryfoundation.ca for Dr. Kami's full report.

### **ZOC High School Report**

The School year which typically begins in April was delayed due to several Government mandated shutdowns through Spring and Summer. We are pleased to report that the High School is now open! Parents, teachers, and students are all delighted to be back! Check out our website at <a href="https://www.thesiredmundhillaryfoundation.ca">www.thesiredmundhillaryfoundation.ca</a> for wonderful photos of the students happily at school, despite having to wear masks and be social distancing.

#### Funding

In these uncertain times, we are greatly impacted by the cancellations of our planned fundraising events, as well as the significant decrease in funding coming from other sources. Your financial assistance is more important than ever to help us sustain our Health and Education projects in Nepal.

On behalf of our Board of Directors and The SEHF Associates, I thank all who continue to support!

Stay safe and healthy!

Namaste.

Founder, Past President & Executive Director

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