



PROGRAM REPORT

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Introduction

Be artsy 2022: more than €18,000 in collaborative financing and support for Oxygen for Nepal, to fight against Covid

After the fact that in 2020 the main project of Be artsy, Rato Baltin (Red Bucket), had to be left in a kind of stand-by (although our local mentors did continue working, and we kept in touch with the people and associates in Nepal and in the area of Accham) because of the start of the pandemics, in 2021, in February, we started with renewed energies. For example, we started the Happy Women Training Centre for widows and disadvantaged women, in agreement with the village of Mangalsen. We supplied cloth to sew face masks, we also purchased and distributed them. But the second wave of the Covid-19 did strike the country quite strongly.

It was at that moment when the collaborative financing Oxygen for Nepal came to be, the one we are introducing to you in this report. Thanks to individual donors, and the economic and supportive contributions of the NGOs “Friends of Nepal”, “Little World”, “Muntanya viva”, “Camina Nepal” and some more, we made €18,000 for this cause which we detail in the report. After this impasse, and the financial contribution applied as per the objectives of this specific project, our projects Rato Baltin, Edufem, Happy Women (the Accham women made more than 10,000 masks, more than 200 reusable sanitary pads and 1,900 bags for menstrual cups), the Mask Up Campaign in Kathmandu donating natural cotton masks to elderly people homes and orphanages in collaboration with Nature Craft, the donation of Ruby Cup menstrual cups to female nurses and doctors that were working against the pandemic, all have continued. Our evaluation of the whole set of projects of be artsy 2021 has come up with 11,812 (direct) beneficiaries.

But let's see in detail what has the Oxygen for Nepal project meant for Nepal.





Background

The second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic plunged Nepal into a deadly health crisis. By mid-May, infection cases had surged at an all-time high of over 9000 with death count at an average of

250. Existent health infrastructures were insufficient to cater to the increasing number of infections and many patients were turned down from hospital treatment.

Demands for essential medical equipment and infrastructures such as oxygen cylinders, hospital beds, ventilators along with safety gear could not be met due to their lack of availability. This supply-demand gap created a massive health catastrophe and led to many avoidable deaths.



Oxygen for Nepal

Oxygen for Nepal was initiated by CREASION in support of various partners in response to the second wave of the pandemic. The campaign was primarily envisioned as a means to make oxygen available to individuals and institutions in need along with provision of safety gear and other essential medical commodities. Through the support received from local and international partners, the initiative reached out to over 25 districts providing emergency assistance. Initially, support was provided in the form of life-saving

supplementary oxygen, concentrators, PPE suits, masks, gloves, oximeters and sanitizers.

Through the months, as other pandemic and lockdown-induced issues started emerging, the campaign diversified its intervention to include food distribution through #FeedTheWorkers initiative as well. #RoadToRelief is another recent intervention through Oxygen for Nepal that provided relief to flood affected communities of Sindhupalchowk, Manang and Lamjung.



Oxygen cylinder distribution in Kathmandu

Be artsy has been a crucial supporting partner for Oxygen for Nepal and helped it in expanding its interventions and extending its assistance through #FeedTheWorkers as well as the #RoadToRelief campaign.



Ration package distribution in Saptari

Fund Utilization

The support received from Be Artsy has been utilized for procurement and distribution of oxygen cylinders of 10 litres and 40 litres capacity, oxygen regulators for both 10 litres and 40 litres cylinders, safety kits including PPE, masks, gloves, oximeters, and thermometers. Along with the safety amenities, the fund was also utilized for distribution of food rations for flood affected communities and other

vulnerable groups deprived of their daily income due to the pandemic.

The assistance was provided to rural municipalities, health centres and isolation centres of eight districts along with front line workers such as the security forces and waste workers and other vulnerable communities of people.





Background



8 Districts Reached



900+ Beneficiaries Impacted



45 Oxygen Cylinders Distributed



627 Ration Packages Provided



165 Medical Safety Kit Distributed

Detailed Breakdown of Donation

S. No.	District	Donation	Quantity
1	Kalikot	Oxygen Cylinders	2
2	Kathmandu	Oxygen Cylinders	3
3	Tanahun	Oxygen Cylinders	7
4	Gorkha	Oxygen Cylinders	10
5	Ramechhap	Oxygen Cylinders	3
6	Darchula	Oxygen Cylinders	3
7	Samkhuwasabha	Oxygen Cylinders	10
8	Humla	Oxygen Cylinders	5
9	Nuwakot	Ration Packages	166
10	Chitwan	Ration Packages	368
11	Saptari	Ration Packages	50
12	Sindhupalchowk	Ration Packages	43
13	Chitwan	Medical Safety Kit	50
14	Kakani	Medical Safety Kit	100
15	Darchula	Medical Safety Kit	20



Handover of safety gear, oxygen cylinders and food ration for distribution in Tanahun.

Image Gallery



