Minutes of Monthly Meeting

Date	05.10.2016
Time	18:30 – 20:00
Venue	Impact Hub, Zurich
Attendees	In person: Prat, Namita, Rajesh, Damo, Rajdeep, Justhy, Rama, Stefania
	Online: Hans

Topic	Fundraising events
Summary	Bollywood party
	- Proposed business model: Asha will receive the revenue from tickets,
	the club will receive the revenue from drinks.
	- Search for club is still going on
	- DJ is found
	- Date awaited from the club (November till early December proposed)
	- GZ is not an alternative: atmosphere is not suitable and infrastructure
	(bar etc.) is not readily available
	- Ideas for venues are welcome
	Swiss Puja: 7 th – 11 th October
	- Asha Zurich will be putting up a donation box
	- Rajesh will approach Sachin for him to make a presentation with
	pictures & video etc.
	Cultural event: 29th October
	- To be clarified: split of revenues between Asha and organization in
	London
	- Volunteers are searched for: please approach Rajesh
	Assam Flood Relief and Rehabilitation
	- 660 CHF raised so far via Youcaring fundraiser
	- Asha Zurich will match the total amount
	- Project will be closed thereafter
	Idea: Cinema/ Film screening
	- Fundraising to ticket sales
	- Potential "Kino Xenix" and "Arthouse Uto"
	- Rama is taking the initiative/ following up
Action Point	Bollywood party dates, Swisspuja cultural event ticket sales/volunteering
Responsibility	(see specific topic)
Timeline	asap

Topic	Project updates
Summary	SACSAS
	1. With the strikes going on, Namita organized a local volunteer, Raju,
	to conduct a site visit in CW 41 (starting Oct 10).
	2. Progress report received, however questions by Namita were not
	answered.
	3. Publicity: Plan a visit of famous person to SACSAS → Namita and
	Rajdeep coordinate to invite him to the most-connected school.
	4. First and second installments for all 3 schools transferred, Wangoo
	did not receive the second installment yet.
	LBP
	1. All funds have been sent
	2. Site visit planned for 15 th October; site visit form and ASER test will
	be used
	3. "WORK AN HOUR" program is running end Sept-end Nov; if
	3,500\$ or more is donated; Asha Global will double the amount (the
	doubled amount will be transferred to the Swiss account and can be
	used for any project). To be clarified: whether funds from the Swiss
	account can be transferred through the website (as local donors are
	more comfortable giving Swiss francs instead of US dollars)
	VMS
	1. A site visit is planned by Vineet Gupta after Diwali.
	Ved Vignan Mahavidyapeeth
	1. One follow up was done, but no feedback received.
	2. Suggestion: Give one more month with the deadline of the next
	meeting and if they don't follow, we can end the program.
	Boys Town
	1. Funds for 2016 are transferred
	2. Site visit report by Damo: very positive feedback; tasks for Dr Raja
	→ report the socioeconomic of the poorest, so that we can track it
	through the years
	Natun Aalo
	1. Report received
	Naba Diganta
	1. Sudha is leaving Switzerland, Vineet will be the sole project co-
	ordinator

	 Email by Vineet: "I spoke with Anurabha (coordinator) and Ashutosh (president) today. They gave a positive report on the progress of two centres under this program. Right now the centres are going to hold Pooja celebrations. The students would receive school bags and uniforms. The classrooms have already got new benches. The dropout rate is low at 10% since the beginning of the half-year (130 students study at the two centres). Main reason is children sometimes work on Tea farms. They however try to speak with the parents on this topic. Anurabha would also be able to provide the record of students to us. Going fwd they want to open another such center in a nearby village." Next step: send receipts of benches to Doris for reimbursement from IBM
Action Point	(see specific project section)
Responsibility	Respective Project co-ordinators
Timeline	October-November

Topic	Project Tracking list
Summary	Rajesh will share a list intended to track the projects documents on Dropbox
	→ Project Coordinators should always update it
Action Point	
Responsibility	Project co-ordinators
Timeline	