

Progress Report: Beekeeping Initiative (Project ID: 64634)

Introduction

This report presents the progress made on the project, "Bee keeping Initiative between the month of May 2025 to August 2025 at the Palpa Project site of PA Nepal. The main focus was on providing essential support to the Beekeeping Initiative Project. Out of the 42 available hives, 38 are currently occupied by bees.

Objectives of the Reporting period

- Monitor and Assess Hive Health: Focus on protecting the hives and preparing for hive restoration efforts.
- Bee Re-Population Plan: Enable to repopulate the empty hives
- Sustain Hive Health: Ensure existing bee colonies remain healthy despite the season's challenges.

Goals

Expanding Beekeeping Initiative Project into Pilot Honey-selling project

Funds Received

Our organization did not receive any disbursement for the Beekeeping Initiative during the reporting period. However, we are addressing some of the basic and urgent needs of the Beekeeping Initiative Projects through alternative funding sources.

Allocation of Funds

Although no disbursement was received during this reporting period, PA Nepal prioritized the most essential needs—such as providing food for the bees—by utilizing alternative funding sources.

Challenges

During May-August, the Beekeeping Initiative faced challenges primarily due to external factor such as insect attacks from nearby wild forests and as well as harsh weather condition.

Impact

Children's Well-being:

Receiving organic honey from the Beekeeping Initiative has positively impacted the children's health, and supported to their uninterrupted access to education.

Community Support: Strong support from the local community, which helps us maintain the day-to-day operations and care for the children.

Plan for the next months

For the upcoming reporting period, we have two options for the bee-keeping project:

1. **Increasing the Number of Bees for Sale:** This option focuses on expanding the bee population to enhance sales. However, we currently lack sufficient empty hives to accommodate the additional bees required for this expansion.
2. **Maximizing Honey Production for Sale:** This option aims to increase honey production for market sales. However, with the winter season approaching, it's essential to leave enough honey in the hives to sustain the bees through the colder months. As a result, this approach will limit the amount of honey available for sale, and we may not be able to extract a significant quantity.

Both options have their advantages, but each comes with its own challenges that we need to think about carefully for the next period.

Looking Ahead

We are hopeful that we will continue receiving donations through Global Giving, which will help us improve the Beekeeping Initiative. This project aims to improve the lives of the children in our care. Extra funding will allow us to meet more of their needs and make a bigger impact with our efforts.

Conclusion

During this reporting period, we didn't face any major challenges. Almost all the hives have been successfully repopulated, showing good recovery and progress. Our main focus now is to take care of the hives, ensure the bees stay healthy and strong, increase the bee population for commercial sales, and protect the hives from diseases and fungal infections. We have regular monitoring and protection methods in place to guard the hives against insect attacks.





