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Dear members and friends of our organisation Mahadevi,

another year has passed - more turbulent and challenging than many before. You could say: 'The curtain is closed and many questions remain unanswered', as Bertolt Brecht once put it.

The terrible dimensions of the hardship and suffering elsewhere are staggering. But - this year, too, we are undaunted in our hopes for a better year 2025.

We at Mahadevi e.V. have been working to improve the situation of women in Nepal since 2008 and do not intend to let up next year either. Our work is a small drop to support women and their families in at least some places in Nepal so that they can live a dignified life.

As the year draws to a close, our work for around 100 women and their families in Nepal has once again made a difference. Financed by your numerous donations, we have been able to maintain and even expand our activities. Thanks to your help, we have been able to set up another **literacy class at the primary school in the mountain village of Salme**. In addition, a **sewing teacher** has been teaching **in Bhalche Gaun**, the village where the Saraswati School is located, since February 2024.



MAHADEVI – Verein zur Förderung von Frauenprojekten in Nepal e.V. Reinhold Keller, 1. Vorsitzender Konnenbergstr. 10 73614 Schorndorf Telefon: 07181 - 64 78 0 info@verein-mahadevi.de www.verein-mahadevi.de Our **medical fund** (MedFonds), with which we support schoolgirls in Nakhipot/Lalitpur at the Mahadevi Women Education Centre with specialist advice and medicines, has also been a great success. After our last appeal, we quickly raised the sum of €3000 needed for one year. Many thanks to all donors!



Health Check in Mahadevi-school

Another milestone for our small association is the commitment of the **Rotary Club Esslingen-Neckarland**. On 7 November 2024, we received a cheque for €10,340! This represents almost a third of our annual budget. The money will go entirely to the literacy classes to finance teaching materials and teachers' salaries for a year. Thank you very much for this.



Handover of cheque in Esslingen



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(From the announcement of the concert on 6.12.2024 in Dieselstraße ES, see <a href="https://www.wasgehtapp.de/termin\_details.php?id=37861721">https://www.wasgehtapp.de/termin\_details.php?id=37861721</a>)

We maintain contact with our partners, students and teachers in Nepal through a **trip in April 2025**, organised by Detlef Gründel. 14 participants will take part, including Brigitte Spieth and Christiane Riedel from the association's advisory board. After visits to our schools and a cultural programme in Kathmandu, Pathan and Bhaktapur, they will undertake a trek lasting several days.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Advisory Board, I wish you a peaceful Christmas and a happy and hopefully peaceful New Year 2025.

On behalf of the Executive Board and the Advisory Board, I would like to extend my best wishes to you and ask you to continue to support us, Reinhold Keller, 1st Chairman



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