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VSBK - Vertical Shaft Brick Kilns and other SCP - Sustainable Construction Practices

To contribute to the mitigation of global warming and environmental degradation by reducing greenhouse gases and carbon emission while fostering sustainable (economic, environmental, social) production leading to economic prosperity, as well as poverty reduction in Nepal, while networking and reaching out into surrounding areas in South Asia.



Country:

Nepal (Kathmandu Valley including urban and semi-urban areas in the hills and the Terai)

Project Period:

2012-2015

Services Provided:

Backstopping & Technical Advice

- Technical backstopping, knowhow and quality control

Name of Staff involved and functions performed:

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Name of Partner Organisation(s):

Deutsche Management Akademie, Niedersachsen, Germany

Federation of Nepal Cottage and Small Industries, Kathmandu Nepal


Name of Client:

European Commission

SWITCH Asia Programme

Description of the Project:

The project promotes socially-minded, energy efficient and environmentally friendly construction, material production and application. The methodology applied is through the intervention at the grass root level in the construction business, focusing on supply chain actors consisting of production and construction workers, technicians, engineers, architects and entrepreneurs (contractors, construction materials producers & real state developers). The project will work at both ends (the supply and demand sides) of the construction business. A further component will be to support the Government Institutions in developing Green Building policies, thereby further underlining sustainable construction practices.

 Swiss Resource Centre and
Construction Research
The project is a logical continuation of the former SDC funder VSBK Project and guarantees a professional phasing out of the earlier initiated activities, where Skat provides following services

- Acquiring interested entrepreneurs and supporting them in business planning
- Establishing an expert and supporting expert service teams for engineering and construction support
- Developing and promoting socially improved measures in the brick industry
- Legal support for entrepreneurs interested in shifting to cleaner technologies
- Promoting Sustainable Construction Practices and methods