

# Gori Valley Relief Operations

## Himal Prakriti\*Emergency Solar Light Distribution

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To meet some of the crisis needs of the affected communities Himal Prakriti and Maati Sangathan organized the purchase and distribution of dry rations and Emergency Solar lights.

**The purchase of 236 units of D.Lights S2 model was supported by the Bharat Electronics Workers Union, BEL, Bangalore.**

*Below is a list of villages where families were provided with the emergency solar lights along with 35 kgs of dry ration:*

S.no	Name of Village	Af- fected Fami- lies	Families Provided Solar Lights		Distribu- tion Pending	Surveyed
			Date	Numbers		
1	Khinwagaon (Shilling)	13	01/08/13	2		Yes
2	Mawani Dawani	24	01/08/13	1	Yes	
3	Umaragad (Shilling)	13	01/08/13	1	Yes	Yes
4	Pyangtey	13	09/08/13	13		Yes
5	Garghaniya (Suring)	4	09/08/13	4		Yes
6	Sennar	25	19/08/13	25		Yes
7	Jimmi Ghat	10	19/08/13	10		Yes
8	Dhapha	7	19/08/13	7		Yes
9	Talla Dummar	34	23/08/13	35		Yes
10	Kulthum	36	23/08/13	31	Yes	Yes
11	Phalyanti	28	23/08/13	28		Yes
12	Ugrali	4	23/08/13	4		Yes
13	Gharudi	25			Yes	
14	Mankot	22			Yes	Yes
15	Ranthi	24			Yes	Yes
	<b>Total Number of Beneficiary Families</b>			<b>161</b>		
	<b>Number of Beneficiary Villages</b>			<b>12</b>		
	<b>Distribution pending in (no of Villages )</b>				<b>6</b>	

\*Himal Prakriti, located in the Himalyan state of Uttarakhand, India was set up to promote nature conservation and sustainable livelihoods. More details are available on this Website

**Fund Utilization (for emergency solar lights) to date: Rs.76630**

Purchase of Solar Lights Supported by Bharat Electronics Workers Union , BEL, Bangalore and Others		
<b>Units Received: (D.Light, S2 Model)</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Distributed as on 23 August 2013</b>	<b>Number of Families</b>	<b>161</b>
<b>Balance Units Pending for Distribution</b>	<b>Numbers</b>	<b>75</b>
<i>Costs incurred on purchase and carriage of Solar Lights</i>		
Cost of Purchase of Solar Lights	Rs	75950
Cost of Transportation (Haldwani to Munsiari) and Local Transportation	Rs	680
Total Cost of Purchase and Distribution	Rs	76630
<i>Funds Received for Distribution of Solar Lights</i>		
From Bharat Electronics Workers Union, BEL, Bangalore	Rs	76000
From Other Sources	Rs	630

**Images of the distribution of Emergency Solar Lights**



Figure 1: Distribution of relief material : dry rations and emergency solar lights to members of Pyangtey Village, Munsiari, District Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand



Figure 2: Receiving relief material -40 kgs dry rations and an emergency solar light for each affected family

**About the d.light S2**

**Light Performance**

The d.light S2 provides four hours of bright light on a full day's charge and uses highly efficient LEDs. It provides a focused light that can be oriented in any direction, making it ideal for studying or working.



**Product Functionality**

The d.light S2 is highly efficient and easy to use. Its adjustable and detachable handle allows for flexible usage. The d.light S2 can easily orient toward the sun during the day and focus its light at night. The product can be carried, hung, or placed on any surface.



**Solar and AC Charging**

A highly efficient solar panel is conveniently integrated into the d.light S2 to make solar charging simple and easy. The S2 can also be charged from a USB source using the USB cable or a standard Nokia AC charger.



**Product Benefits**

The d.light S2 is designed as an ultra-affordable study lantern for young people with big dreams. By upgrading from a kerosene lamp to the d.light S2, students can double their study time which has a direct impact on grades and performance in school.



**Features**

- One 4 Hour Brightness Setting
- Free 2-Year Replacement Warranty
- > 5 Year Lifetime
- No Battery Replacements Needed
- Integrated Solar Panel
- Dual Solar / AC Charging
- Full Charge from Solar/AC – 8 Hours
- Battery Charge Level Indicator
- Glow In the Dark On/Off Button
- Weather, Dust and Impact Resistant



Figure 3: Details of the Dlight's S2 Solar light <http://www.dlightdesign.com/productline/s2/> (Image ©Dlightdesign)





Figure 4: Members of Himal Prakriti and Maati Collective - Organizing the relief supplies



Figure 5: Residents of Kulthum village , with their newly received Solar lights



Figure 6: An old woman, from a tribal community, Talla Dummar Village, with her new lantern

**For more information on Himal Prakriti's relief work kindly contact :**

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