#### The reconstruction work on the hostel

In mid-May, 11 Nepali workers began gutting the upper floor. All the work has been done by hand, even concrete beams had been laboriously removed piece by piece this way. With all this noise and dirt, it was impossible to continue to use this part of the hostel, as the remaining rooms also had been under renovation. At the end of July finally 8 rooms behind



the glass gallery had been ready for occupancy again and freshly painted in bright colors. In addition: The newly installed PV system also delivering sufficient electricity in the completed rooms.

Then the roof was rebuilt in mid-September. We used corrugated metal sheets as a finishing touch to take into account the increasing rainfall in the region. With this reconstruction the hostel should be weatherproof for coming years and offer especially the little ones a friendly and comfortable home during winter months.

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# How You can support our school Jamyang Ling

- Membership of Shambhala e.V.
   (yearly fees € 60,-)
- Sponsoring 1 Zanskari child monthly 20,-
- One time donations

Due to the non-profit status of Shambhala e.V., tax-deductible donation receipts can be issued for all donations.

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## We do need your support!

On March 1st this year, when Jamyang Ling was about to resume school operations after the winter break, it became apparent that the hostel upper floor was crumbling. During rain, the roof was leaking and the walls were cold and damp. As a result, there had been many colds among the little ones. Therefor the beginning of teaching was set for them a month later. The Management Com-



mittee decided in consultation with Shambhala e.V. to carry out a complete reconstruction: gutting of the middle section, installing a glazed gallery and reinforcing mud walls to store some heat. During the reconstruction work, the boys and girls had been accommodated with families in the village or slept in groups of four or five for a short period of time in beds put together in the basement rooms.

#### Letter from our teacher Radhika Devi

Radhika Devi has been a teacher at Jamyang Ling Model School for 11 years. Last year, she had a serious accident. The jeep she was riding in overturned while

climbing the Shingo
-la Pass. Several
months of stay in a
clinic in Chandigarh
with quite a few
sugeries had been
the result. Shambhala e.V. and private friends covered a large part of
the treatment
costs. Radhika Devi
wrote to us:



#### I always wanted to

be a teacher in my life. It was my life-long dream. And eventually it came my way when I almost forgot about it. In 2012 Jamyang Ling needed science teachers and a senior colleague contacted me in this matter.

At that time I didn't know anything about Zanskar and all my thanks go to the then teacher Om Prakash who helped me a lot. I wanted very much to work as a tea-

cher with these children who at that time knew nothing of the many things going on in this world.

I was still a student when I first came here. Everything was new to me. Today, I

feel that I



myself have also grown with Jamyang Ling over the past 11 years. And it is my choice to be connected with Jamyang Ling day by day.

Because here I feel peace and I feel motivated every day. I miss Jamyang Ling when I am on winter vacation in Manali. I miss my students.

My first impression of Jamyang Ling is still vivid: this school was founded as a non-profit project and from the beginning it was characterized by love, respect and compassion. That's why I always think: Why shouldn't I contribute to the success of Jamyang Ling with my support and work? Now it is a part of my life wherever

I am. Many people, whether from Zanskar or other areas, praise Jamyang Ling and our work as teachers overhere. This fills me with pride and gives me satisfaction and happiness.

Radhika Devi, August 2023

### A very special event

From July 25 to August 4, H.E. Kundeling Rinpoche visited Zanskar again after four years. Already in 2019 he was guest of honor at our 25th school anniversary. This year he gave numerous teachings again and of course everybody in Zanskar was on their feet to meet him. Our entire teaching staff also rushed to Padum with all the classes to be able to participate and receive his blessings. On August 2, on his way to Phuktal Gompa, he made a stopover at Jamyang Ling and had been received with dignity by the school administration. There was a small meal and a welcome tea prepared for Rinpoche in our guest room.



Shambhala Trust meeting 2024 April 6, 2024 in Nibelungenstr. 40, 72768 Reutlingen

