

## New PATRON of BVS-Nepal



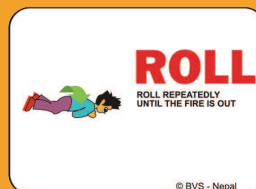
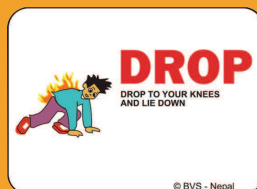
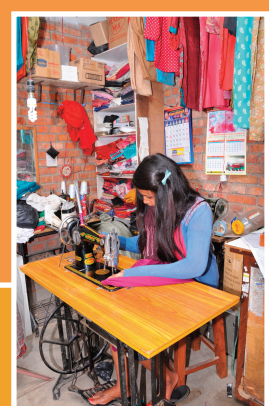
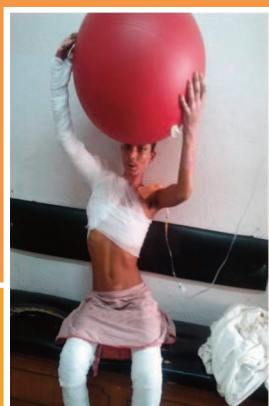
In 2012, Mr. Bhusan Dahal, Chief Executive Producer of Kantipur Television became the new local PATRON of BVS-Nepal. He decided to join this noble cause and help to reduce burns violence in Nepal. 'We should not fight with fire during family arguments. Burn Violence is killing people or makes them suffer for lifetime. Stop Burns Violence against women.'

He is an active professional involved in modernizing the television industry in Nepal and has contributed significantly in transferring knowledge to the younger generation of television professionals in the country and the region (South Asia).

## BVS-Nepal Programmes

Burns injuries are amongst the most horrific, painful and costly injury that a person can suffer. BVS-Nepal intends to ensure that the best available burns care and treatment are available for burns patients in Nepal. Therefore, our organization is working with partners to provide quality medical and psychosocial care, whilst also promoting legal advocacy, vocational trainings and long term prevention strategies.

BVS-Nepal is providing medical treatment, counselling, physiotherapy, nutritional support to burnt patients and recreational activities for the children in the Burn Ward at Kanti Children's Hospital. Since 2010, 950 nutrition baskets have been distributed to patients at BIR and Kanti Hospitals. More than 350 burn patients received physiotherapy and daily counseling, thanks to the support of SHENPEN and C.H.A.N.C.E. for Nepal. In 2012, BVS-Nepal has supported 28 patients for plastic and reconstructive surgery. Also, we provided medical support to 17 patients coming from all districts thanks to the Herrod Funds and Tanner Trust.



## Hospital Recreational Room

Children are scared of hospitals. Unfortunately, most of the burn patients have to be hospitalized for lengthy stays, where they're lying in their beds all day long.

Since January 2012, BVS- Nepal set up a recreational room in the burn unit at Kanti Children's Hospital because we believe that even a simple toy can bring a smile back to a child's face and makes his journey a little bit easier. We would like to thank you The British School which helped us to upgrade the recreational room and make it a healthy and fun place to play. Three times per week, some volunteers are going to Kanti Children Hospital to play with the sick children and give them some good times during their painful recovery. Various activities are proposed such as recreational and educational programs, playing game, reading session, watching films, drawing, painting...



## 6-year-old dies in gas cylinder explosion

**REPUBLICA**  
BANEPA, July 4

A six-year-old girl child was charred to death in a cooking gas cylinder explosion Tuesday night in the remote Sipali Chilaune VDC-5 of Kavrepalanchowk.

The police have identified the dead girl as Smriti Tamang, daughter of Parang Tamang, a local resident of Sipali Chilaune VDC-5. Parang's older brother Surya Bahadur's eight-year-old daughter Karina Tamang has also sustained serious burn injuries, said the police.

Parang and Surya Bahadur live in a joint family. On Tuesday night, both the brothers had gone for a wedding procession in the neighborhood. Surya Bahadur's wife, who was home to look after

her children, had gone to her neighbor's house after putting Smriti and Karina to sleep.

According to District Police Chief Surenda Prasad Mainali, Surya Bahadur's wife had lit a candle before stepping out of home, which caused the gas cylinder to explode.

Kareena has been rushed to Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital in Maharajgunj following a primary treatment at Dhulikhel hospital.

In recent years, incidents of fire caused by gas cylinder explosion are on the rise across the country. Almost two years ago, Maoist lawmaker Ram Kumari Yadav had lost her life following a gas cylinder explosion in her rented room in the capital.

## Medical Support

BVS- Nepal Helped Karina Tamang when she was in Kanti Children's Hospital. We support her with medical treatment thanks to the Herrod Funds. After 2 months of treatment, and several skin grafts, Karina went safely back home in Kavrepalanchowk.



Before



After

Children and women are usually burned in domestic kitchens, from upset receptacles containing hot liquids or flames, or from cookstove explosions.

Men are most likely to be burned in the workplace due to fire, scalds, chemical and electrical burns.'

(WHO-report 2013)



Knitted Dolls for Kanti CHILDREN'S Hospital donated by C.H.A.N.C.E. for Nepal



## Stress Management training



This project complete the programme funded by UNIFEM to end burns violence in Nepal.

BVS Nepal organized 5 days stress management training in Kathmandu. The training was intended for burn survivors from different regions of Nepal and nurses working in the burn ward in Kathmandu.

The goal of this therapeutic workshop was to discover the causes which can bother the daily lives of the participants by using techniques and acquired knowledge about their own energy system and energy fields. The participants discuss together about problems and issues they are individually facing in daily life. They also did some meditation, group exercise to get a better self esteem and gave/ received love from others. Two professional counselors were coordinating the programme.

## Facts on Violence against women in Nepal

-64% of Nepalese women are suffering from Domestic Violence in 2012.

- Only 25% VAW survivors seek medical support

-Only 20% of women seek legal justice

Source: WOREC NEPAL

## Man 'pokes fire' into wife's genitals

GOVINDA KC  
DAILEKH, Dec 29

Police on Saturday arrested a man on the charge of poking his wife with a piece of burning firewood in the genitals. Chawali Sarki, who was assaulted by her husband Kamaro Sarki on Friday evening, was rushed to the Dailekh district hospital after locals found her on fire. Both were living together in Narayan Municipality-6 of the district.

The doctor informed that 10 percent of her lower thigh is burnt. "We

are trying to bring down her body temperature along with the pain that follows after the burn injury," said a doctor at the district hospital.

In her statement, Chabali said, "I was waiting for him after cooking food. All of a sudden, without rhyme and reason, he attacked me with the burning piece of wood. I would have died if locals had not come for help," she added.

However, Kamro has claimed that it was an accident. Police said they are investigating into the incident.

## Success Story

Three years ago, BVS-Nepal staff met Gudiya on an hospital bed in Nepalgunj (South of Nepal). She was fragile, alone and desperate. She got married at 14 years old and she couldn't immediately bear a child. Her husband beat her up every day. One day, her husband and sister in law conspired against her, treated her as witch and burnt Gudiya with Kerosene.



BEFORE

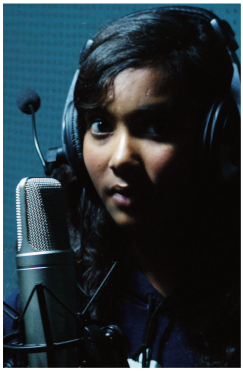
She received her first treatment in Nepalgunj and was transferred in Kathmandu for her surgeries. BVS-Nepal helped her and paid for the 4 reconstructive surgeries which helped her to get rid of her contractures and so able to move her arms properly. She stayed for 2 years in Saathi home shelter where she received vocational training in fashion design.

At the beginning of 2013, she received support to open her own tailor shop. Now, Gudiya went back to her hometown as an independent woman. She decided to go to court and start a case against her perpetrators and fight for her rights.



AFTER

## Radio Jingles



To fulfill their objectives, BVS Nepal decides to develop their prevention program among the nation through the most effective media in this country: the radio. The vast majority of the Nepali population has access to radio, even if they're in the most remote areas of the country, making it the most effective tool to supplying news and information to a diverse audience. We want that everyone adopt natural reflex to protect themselves from fire danger. Thanks to the Australian students from One Degree who've been collecting money to finance the jingles.

We develop two types of messages: the first one is to prevent the population from burn incidences and the second one is related to stop violence against women. The 2 jingles are broadcast every day for 6 months on the national radio, Radio Nepal

Ten young students from SAATHI performed the jingle with the help of Bibek Bhattarai and Pramod Upadhaya.. Those under-privileged teenagers come from difficult background and were really enthusiasts to participate to the campaign.



## 16 days campaign : Stop Violence against women

During the 16th days Campaign, Stop: Violence Against Women, from 25th November until the 10th December , BVS-Nepal developed several programmes around Kathmandu and in the different districts of Nepal to increase local public awareness about burns issue.

Eight personalities & celebrities participated to this campaign: Mr.Paras Khadka, Mr. Bhusan Dahal, Mrs. Pramada Shah, Mrs.Sugarika K.C, Mr. Siddhant Pandey, Mr. Karma Shakya, Mrs. Reecha Sharma and Mr. Vinay Shrestha join hands to work for eliminating burns violence in Nepal.

64 Pole Banners have been installed at the main junctions of Kathmandu, where the public could read the messages of the 8 Nepali Personalities who are supporting BVS-Nepal. Also, BVS Team and volunteers set up more than 300 prevention posters in Kathmandu as well as in buses driving around the country.



## YOUR SMALL CONTRIBUTION CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

We would like to thank all our partners, supporters and well wishers for their consistent dedication and support throughout and we look forward to continuing our work together in the coming years for burn survivors in Nepal.

A special thank to Mrs. Wendy Marston whose support contributed significantly towards achieving our set of objectives for the year.

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