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This update is for District Grant P-2616 Nepal Scholarships 2019/2020 as well as the District Grant application P-3185 Nepal Scholarships 2020/2021 as two of the students are in both. This update contains information just received so it's very "fresh."

P-2616 Nepal Scholarships

Shibu –his school remains closed due to Covid-19 with a re-opening date yet established. The school now offers most of the required books for sale as he enters the 4th grade. Remaining books for his classes are simply not available. With the current books in hand, Shibu will study at home until the school re-opens.

Usha – completed her second semester classes when the Covid-19 pandemic hit which prevented her from taking the related examinations. Her school/classes are suspended with online classes not available. The reopening of her university is unknown. Recall, she is completing a master's degree in environmental science, with one year to go once classes resume.

P-3185 Nepal Scholarships

The two students above are included in District Grant application P-3185 Nepal Scholarships, so the update for P-2616 Nepal Scholarships applies for this grant as well. However, one important distinction between the two grants is the addition of Mamata, another student, further explained in the application. Unlike Usha and Shibu, Mamata is now able to take classes online towards her master's degree in social work. She reports that she and all others are sheltering place, quickly shops for groceries once a week and that public transport is stopped.