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In March, due to Covid-19, schools closed for these students and related examinations are deferred. Yesterday, Nepal suffered a record high number of new cases. The students are sheltering in place. Given the latest bad news, predicting when schools for the students will re-open is a fool's errand. Once safe conditions prevail and classes resume, tuition/books and related expenses will be due immediately, thus requiring support via this grant. The related report will be promptly filed on this website.

It bears repeating and especially for Rotarians never seeing firsthand grinding poverty in a very third world country. What many Americans earn in an hour of employment, may be the sole income for a family in Nepal for an entire month! Americans cannot easily understand not only poverty in a very third world country, but also the extreme lack of economic upward mobility. Please note that these students come from very low-caste and extremely poor families. They lack any social, political or business connections to live a decent life in a desperately poor country absent through a good education.