**Proposal for the new agriculture vocational school**

**Introduction**

Vocational skills are mostly lacking in Nepal. There are many areas, where people need application of their skills into their practice. Though there are schools which are teaching training for vocational courses, there is a big need specially in the agricultural area.

We are planning to establish this school not for profit earning, rather self-sustainable within five years. The vocational school is directly supported by NepalTara NGO from Switzerland in association with Rishi Foundation. Rishi Foundation is a non-profit foundation, which is going to be the linking organisation with NepalTara. This vocational school will be affiliated under council for Vocational Education and Training government of Nepal.

**Objectives**

The main objective is to provide agricultural vocational training to Nepalese people in diverse courses.

These objectives are:

1 Area of organic agriculture farming in different aspects

2 Animal husbandry

3 Medicinal plant cultivation and related trainings

4 Museum and library of organic and plants

**Target groups for trainings**

1 People who want to have more modern, ecological agricultural skills

2 Farmers and traders who would like to learn more about organic farming and medicinal plants.

3 Women in the surrounding area of the vocational school, who want to learn how to cultivate better their plants/vegetables etc.

4 Young children and students will be given ecological and environmental trainings.

5 Internships for students from different programs.

**Feasibility of the course**

1 The future vocational school will be located in Kathmandu Valley about 7 km far from the capital near the Nagarjun National Park. There its easy to get technical experts and scientists, which can give their time for teaching courses.

2 As this organisation is supported by Swiss NepalTara NGO, there will be many Swiss agricultural experts who can give trainings in the school.

3 As we know there are lots of young people who are not having practical skills on above mentioned areas, that’s why throughout the country people will come to take training courses.

4 There is a huge organic farm and animal husbandry in the area, where the vocational school will be. Trainees will have opportunity to have practical knowledge over there.

5 There is a medicinal plant garden with more than 500 plants. People can learn practical on the spot during their training time.

6 The technical team will travel to different parts of the country to give short-term trainings.

7 Financially for the first five years building construction and other set-ups will be supported by NepalTara NGO from Switzerland. Other local technical and administrative part will be done by Rishi Foundation.