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Asia Water Foundation brings clean water to a Tibetan Orphanage

Asia Water Foundation recently completed its first clean water project in the Amdo region of Tibet. The water purification and hand wash system was installed in the Home of Hope Orphanage, a home and school for children who would otherwise be abandoned in their homeland of Tibet.

The Tibetan Home of Hope occupies a spectacular location along the banks of the Yellow River in the Amdo region of Tibet, 1,000 miles east of Lhasa and serves to house and educate over 90 children and staff.

Many of these children routinely suffer from bacterial infection caused by the poor water quality dispensed to the Home directly from the Yellow River.

AWF staff spent two days testing the water quality at the orphanage and installing Asia Water Foundation's unique water purification system. The system was commission and blessed at the end of the project with testing showing the water to be of very high quality. The system will provide up to 10,000 liters of clean water every day, sufficient to cover the Home of Hope's needs for many years to come.

Of course the children were enthralled with the new water system and as part of AWF's educational program, were instructed in the importance of hygiene and the use of clean water on their health.

Incredibly within two months after the project, Tashi Dolma, the founder of the Tibetan Home of Hope, advised AWF that all the children's bacterial infections had disappeared, entirely due to the clean water and that the system was working perfectly.

About Asia Water Foundation: Founded in 2008, Asia Water Foundation (AWF) is a Hong Kong based, private, non-profit international development organization focused on addressing the clean, safe water requirements in Asia's most disadvantaged communities where access to clean drinking water and improved sanitation facilities is of dire concern. AWF deploys scale-appropriate technologies in an integrated solution for effective water purification and basic hygiene. Through the AWF deployment model, standardized components and community involvement in site preparation and system operation drives continued sustainability. Over its first 12 months of operation, AWF completed projects in Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Tibet, China, and Thailand with expansion into Laos, Vietnam, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal, and the Philippines planned. For more information, see www.asiawaterfoundation.org