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# Northumbria academic makes visit to earthquake affected villages in Nepal

Nepalese academic [Dr Binam Ghimire](#) from Northumbria University, Newcastle, returned home in recently to support recovery efforts in parts of the region affected by the earthquake which claimed more than 10,000 lives earlier this year.

The [Newcastle Business School](#) senior lecturer joined leading climbers and took part in hiking activities during his three week stay. He also helped in construction and charity activities.

“I was interested to know the situation after the earthquake in some of the remote villages so I travelled to Nepal during the summer”, said Dr Ghimire. “During my conversations with local people it became clear that many, including children, were very depressed, while others felt were hopeless as a result of the disaster they saw and the struggle they now face faced after the quake”, he added.

The devastating earthquake has badly impacted Nepal’s economy, and Dr Ghimire places great emphasis on the importance of donations and how they can make a big difference. He is planning for a trip to some of the more remote villages in Nepal again soon and next year

He said: “I welcome anyone who wants to join me and would be very grateful for any support we can offer to the schools and people in the villages.”

Financial contributions towards the cost of transporting the donated items to Nepal can also be accepted. Anyone interested in sending donations can contact Dr Ghimire through email at [Binam.Ghimire@northumbria.ac.uk](mailto:Binam.Ghimire@northumbria.ac.uk)

For more information on how you can make a difference, please visit [www.unicef.org.uk/Donate-Nepal](http://www.unicef.org.uk/Donate-Nepal) ☒

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