

Senior Expert Corps – a Project of Swisscontact

Promoting entrepreneurship through expertise – Imparting technical skills through volunteer work

The retired professionals of our Senior Expert Corps (SEC) are qualified experts on site. Through their consulting services, they provide hands-on, cost-effective support towards sustainable development of companies and institutions.

SEC Assignment in Nepal, 2018

Assignment No. 3115

Location	Sindhuli, Nepal
Client	SSRP Skills for Safe Reconstruction Project of Swisscontact
Expert	Georg Schmalz, Chief Engineer
Period	16.03. - 08.04.2018



Client Profile

Swisscontact leads a project to increase skills for the safe reconstruction of buildings (SSRP). Part of this project is the training of existing masons to build houses following the existing recommendations of earthquake resilient building construction. SSRP asked SEC to support the project and its partner AfD, a profit oriented company for the implementation of the mason's training in Sindhuli district

Tasks

The assignment consisted of sharing knowledge and expertise on earthquake resilient building construction. Focus of this work were:

- Provide clear guidelines to teaching staffs of AfD and participants for the existing training
- Observation in the field, provide technical feedback and coaching to trained masons during building trainings

Results

Clear guidelines could be given to trainers in methodical and didactical subjects to improve effect of trainings. Technical advice was given to ensure quality of earthquake resilient building construction to trainers and to masons during practical training. Numerous recommendations has been made to the clients to improve the whole process for future masons's trainings