



THF built a kiln to burn bricks and tiles necessary for the restoration of the Sangiin-Dalai monastery. The village people were then able to generate income through producing the bricks and tiles. An exchange with artisans from China and Tibet helped to build up the local skills in Mongolia.



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Sangiin-Dalai Monastery Restoration Project

Location: Mongolia, South Gobi Province, Nomgun-sum village.

THF was invited by German donor organisation to help revive local culture and economy in Sotu Gobi area by organizing the restoration of the region's main Buddhist monastery. The project was awarded the UNESCO award of excellence in 2009.

Duration: 2004-2008.

Sponsors: Misereor (Germany) and THF private sponsors.

Partner organizations:
Consensus (Mongolia).

Working Process

The monastery, and some town houses, were originally built with burnt bricks. THF built a manufacture of burnt bricks and roof tiles in Nomgun village. This generated new skills and income generating possibilities for this remote village. An exchange program brought Tibetan and Chinese artisans to Mongolia and vice versa.