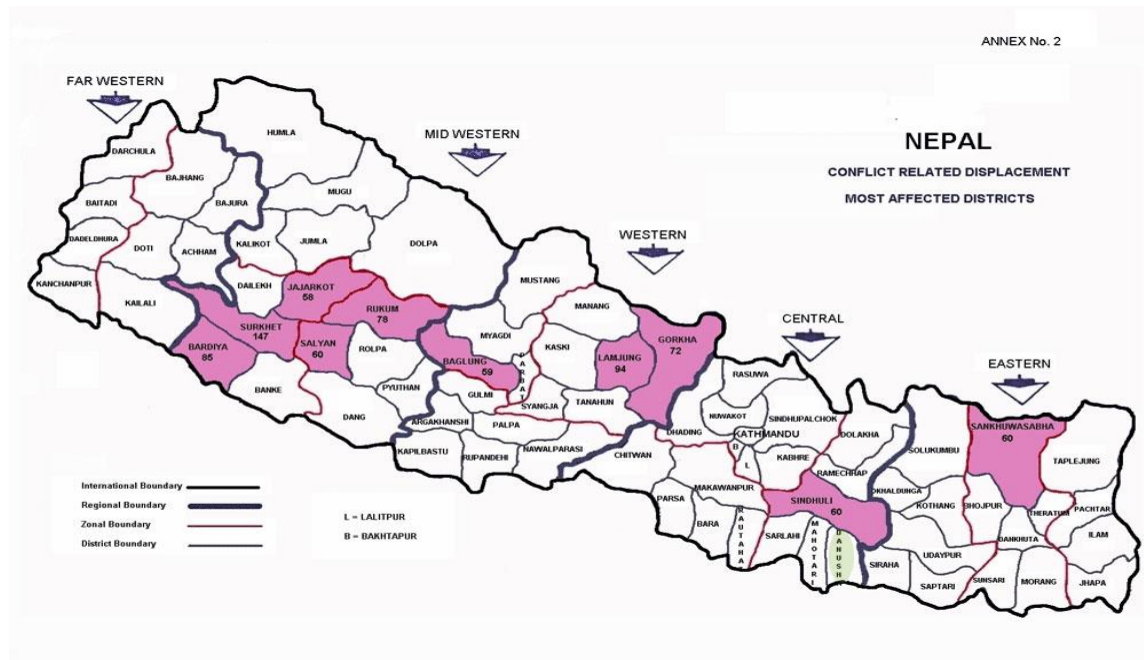


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We have had to change our plans. We have obtained a small detached house in Kathmandu where initially the four girls will find a home, this will be ready in early March. Shunya has been employed to be in charge at the house. Her early life was spent in a village and she is well acquainted with the problems. We visited the village where the children live, nearby Dhalkebar in the the district of Dhanusa. This is very close to one of the regions most disrupted by the uprising.



The district is coloured in a pale green. To get there from Kathmandu we had to travel along very poor roads over the mountains and through the jungle

Here is another map that shows the position of the nearby city of Jhanakpur



While in the village near Dhalkebar we had the opportunity to visit the local junior school. The headmaster, Upendra Mahatto, had founded this under a tree in a field in 1992. Sometime later a small hut was built, this still exists and can be seen as a white building in the photo. Later still a Japanese group helped them to build two more larger structures. The resources are very poor and we have decided to try to help as this is in the area that we have targeted our aid.



Village High Street



Village house



By the well



The well



Rachuna and Numana



The headmaster with his staff





A classroom



The school



Another view



Outside the house in Kathmandu, this will be the home for four girls



Inside the house



Outside the house, still rural in the city

