

# Sangrila Nepal

*“Distinctive Handmade Jewelry and Handicrafts from the Himalayan Kingdom”*

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## Sangrila Nepal – An Overview

Sangrila Nepal is a company established in 2004 to encourage the traditional arts and crafts of Nepal. We work to promote and sustain the local and export markets for a variety of handmade articles. Our challenge is offer a platform to bring these attractive and unique products into an expanding global marketplace, while at the same time generating income for micro-entrepreneurs in the rural and urban areas of Nepal. We believe this is one of the primary solutions to sustain the economy of the nation. The skilled individuals who produce crafts for Sangrila Nepal are mostly women. We are devoted to producing exceptional pieces of wearable, enjoyable art in the form of jewelry and other quality items.

## Vision

- To offer a means of improving the standard of living of low-income Nepalese families, who are dependent on handicrafts for their sustenance, by providing a wider platform for their products.
- To develop local and international markets for traditional Nepalese arts and crafts, and in so doing not only foster growth, but also support and preserve the skills which have been passed down from generation to generation.
- To acquaint other peoples and nations with the beauty and meaning of traditional Himalayan arts, thus fostering cultural understanding and the love of diversity.
- To work with women and children by providing funds for education and opportunity, and in so doing, assist them in achieving some independence towards creating a future of their own choosing.

## Purpose

Our purpose is to strategically position Sangrila Nepal as a leading organization in the trade business through the production & distribution of traditional Nepalese handicrafts. These products would meet the specified quality norms and carry competitive prices. In addition, our commitment would be to ensure fair wages to the producers of these arts and crafts, safe working conditions, no child labor, equal employment opportunities, public accountability, and environmentally sustainable practices.

## Products

Sangrila Nepal deals in the following;

- Handmade sterling silver & gold jewelry with precious & semi-precious stones, mixed metals, and other traditional embellishments.
- Handmade Lokta and cotton rag recycled paper products.
- Traditional Himalayan clothing.
- Traditional hand-worked fabrics and natural wool items – Dhaka and Pashmina scarves & shawls.
- Embroidered and beaded bags.
- Wood carvings and Buddhist Thangkas.
- Dolls and ornamental accessories.
- Clay figures.
- Singing Bowls.
- Textiles, wall hangings, and decorative items for the home.
- Musical Instruments.

## Social Program

Sangrila Nepal provides seed money, mostly to women, to promote financial independence and allow these individuals to become self-sufficient. This program is funded through revenues, and by interested and committed private sponsors, and is administered on a one-on-one basis. We also support village children with clothing, books, and other supplies.

## Contacts

Cordula Sturm Dahal has traveled and lived in over 30 countries, where she has collected and studied the many diverse forms of traditional jewelry and handicrafts produced by various ethnic groups. She now owns, designs, and produces exclusively for [Sangrila Nepal](#) along with Bhim Bahadur Dahal, who is an accomplished classical Kathak dancer, choreographer, musician, and the Director of the [Nepal Dance School](#), [www.nepaldanceschool.com](http://www.nepaldanceschool.com).

The Dahals work together in SN and NDS, and with many talented artisans to promote the continuity of traditional Himalayan crafts and culture. They share a deep love of the creative arts, and live in the US and Nepal.

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