

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**A For the 2003 calendar year, or tax year beginning** \_\_\_\_\_ **and ending** \_\_\_\_\_

**B** Check if applicable:  
 Address change  
 Name change  
 Initial return  
 Final return  
 Amended return  
 Application pending

**C Name of organization**  
**HIMALAYAN CATARACT PROJECT, INC.**  
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
**1 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, 4TH FLOOR**  
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4  
**BURLINGTON, VT 05401**

**D Employer identification number**  
**03-0362926**

**E Telephone number**  
**(802) 847-3843**

**F Accounting method**  Cash  Accrual  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**G Website:** **WWW.CUREBLINDNESS.COM**

**J Organization type** (check only one)  501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**K Check here**  if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.

**L Gross receipts:** Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **788,147.**

**H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations.**  
**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates?  Yes  No  
**H(b)** If "Yes," enter number of affiliates \_\_\_\_\_  
**H(c)** Are all affiliates included? **N/A**  Yes  No (If "No," attach a list.)  
**H(d)** Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling?  Yes  No  
**I** Group Exemption Number \_\_\_\_\_

**M** Check  if the organization is not required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

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<b>1</b>	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:			
<b>a</b>	Direct public support	<b>1a</b>	<b>768,836.</b>	
<b>b</b>	Indirect public support	<b>1b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Government contributions (grants)	<b>1c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ <b>494,972.</b> noncash \$ <b>273,864.</b> )	<b>1d</b>		<b>768,836.</b>
<b>2</b>	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>	Membership dues and assessments	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b>	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	<b>4</b>		<b>19,311.</b>
<b>5</b>	Dividends and interest from securities	<b>5</b>		
<b>6 a</b>	Gross rents	<b>6a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Less: rental expenses	<b>6b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	<b>6c</b>		
<b>7</b>	Other investment income (describe _____)	<b>7</b>		
<b>8 a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	(B) Other	
<b>b</b>	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	<b>8a</b>		
<b>c</b>	Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	<b>8b</b>		
<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	<b>8c</b>		
<b>8d</b>				
<b>9</b>	Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>a</b>	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1a)	<b>9a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	<b>9b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	<b>9c</b>		
<b>10 a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>10a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Less: cost of goods sold	<b>10b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	<b>10c</b>		
<b>11</b>	Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	<b>11</b>		
<b>12</b>	Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	<b>12</b>		<b>788,147.</b>
<b>13</b>	Program services (from line 44, column (B))	<b>13</b>		<b>174,915.</b>
<b>14</b>	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	<b>14</b>		<b>24,499.</b>
<b>15</b>	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	<b>15</b>		<b>16,261.</b>
<b>16</b>	Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	<b>16</b>		
<b>17</b>	Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	<b>17</b>		<b>215,675.</b>
<b>18</b>	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	<b>18</b>		<b>572,472.</b>
<b>19</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	<b>19</b>		<b>543,405.</b>
<b>20</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	<b>20</b>		<b>0.</b>
<b>21</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	<b>21</b>		<b>1,115,877.</b>

**Part II Statement of Functional Expenses**

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22	Grants and allocations (attach schedule) cash \$ <u>106,844.</u> noncash \$ <u>27,454.</u>	134,298.	134,298.		
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)				
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)				
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc.	0.	0.	0.	0.
26	Other salaries and wages				
27	Pension plan contributions				
28	Other employee benefits				
29	Payroll taxes				
30	Professional fundraising fees				
31	Accounting fees	4,540.		4,540.	
32	Legal fees				
33	Supplies	138.		138.	
34	Telephone				
35	Postage and shipping	572.	572.		
36	Occupancy				
37	Equipment rental and maintenance				
38	Printing and publications	1,118.		1,118.	
39	Travel	40,045.	40,045.		
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
41	Interest				
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	4,591.		4,591.	
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize):				
a	<b>SUBCONTRACTOR FEES</b>	29,704.		13,443.	16,261.
b	<b>BANK FEES</b>	199.		199.	
c	<b>DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS</b>	470.		470.	
d					
e					
44	Total functional expenses (add lines 22 through 43). Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15	215,675.	174,915.	24,499.	16,261.

Joint Costs. Check  if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services?  Yes  No

If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ \_\_\_\_\_; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **SEE STATEMENT 1**

All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others)

**Program Service Expenses**  
(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs. and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)

a	<b>BHUTAN EYECAMPS-GRANTS PROVIDED FOR EYE SURGERY AND SURGICAL EQUIPMENT.</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ 9,804.)	9,804.
b	<b>NEPAL EYECAMPS-GRANTS PROVIDED FOR EYE SURGERY, SURGICAL EQUIPMENT, TRAINING OF DOCTORS AND NURSES, HOSPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ 85,644.)	85,644.
c	<b>TIBET EYECAMPS-GRANTS PROVIDED FOR EYE SURGERY, SURGICAL EQUIPMENT, TRAINING OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL, SUPPLIES.</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ 20,000.)	20,000.
d	<b>TILGANGA- GRANTS PROVIDED FOR EYECAMPS, EYE SURGERY, SURGICAL EQUIPMENT, TRAINING OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL, CLINICS.</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ 18,850.)	18,850.
e	Other program services (attach schedule) <b>STATEMENT 2</b>	(Grants and allocations \$ )	40,617.
f	<b>Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)</b>		<b>174,915.</b>

**Part IV Balance Sheets**

**Note:** Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only.

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
<b>Assets</b>	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing	45,651.	45		
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	488,562.	46	861,479.	
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c		
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c		
	49 Grants receivable		49		
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50		
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c		
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52		
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53		
	54 Investments - securities <b>STMT 3</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	0.	54	249,797.
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	55b	55c		
56 Investments - other		56			
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a	22,638.			
b Less: accumulated depreciation <b>STMT 4</b>	57b	18,037.	57c	4,601.	
58 Other assets (describe $\blacktriangleright$ _____)		9,192.	58		
59 <b>Total assets</b> (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)		543,405.	59	1,115,877.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		60		
	61 Grants payable		61		
	62 Deferred revenue		62		
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63		
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities		64a		
	b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b		
	65 Other liabilities (describe $\blacktriangleright$ _____)		65		
66 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 60 through 65)		0.	66	0.	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.				
	67 Unrestricted		67		
	68 Temporarily restricted		68		
	69 Permanently restricted		69		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.				
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	0.	70	0.	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund	0.	71	0.	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	543,405.	72	1,115,877.	
73 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72; column (A) must equal line 19; column (B) must equal line 21)	543,405.	73	1,115,877.		
74 <b>Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances</b> (add lines 66 and 73)	543,405.	74	1,115,877.		

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

**Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return**

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	a	N/A
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990:		
(1)	Net unrealized gains on investments \$ _____		
(2)	Donated services and use of facilities \$ _____		
(3)	Recoveries of prior year grants \$ _____		
(4)	Other (specify): \$ _____		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	
c	Line a minus line b	c	
d	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a:		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$ _____		
(2)	Other (specify): \$ _____		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	
e	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	

**Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return**

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a	N/A
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990:		
(1)	Donated services and use of facilities \$ _____		
(2)	Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 \$ _____		
(3)	Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 \$ _____		
(4)	Other (specify): \$ _____		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	
c	Line a minus line b	c	
d	Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a:		
(1)	Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$ _____		
(2)	Other (specify): \$ _____		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	
e	Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	

**Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (List each one even if not compensated.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
SANDUK RUIT, MD GPO BOX 561 KATHMANDU, NEPAL	DIRECTOR 20	0.	0.	0.
GEOFFREY C. TABIN, MD 1 SO PROSPECT ST BURLINGTON, VT 05401	DIRECTOR 20	0.	0.	0.
EMILY NEWICK P.O. BOX 863 NORWICH, VT 05055	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 20	9,000.	0.	1,000.
GREG CONNOLLY 94 STIRLING PLACE BURLINGTON, VT 05401	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 20	7,521.	0.	0.
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75 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations? If "Yes," attach schedule.  Yes  No



**Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities** (See page 33 of the instructions.)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclu- sion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue:					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	19,311.	
96 Dividends and interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue:					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		19,311.	0.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					19,311.

Note: Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

**Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes** (See page 34 of the instructions.)

Line No	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
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**Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities** (See page 34 of the instructions.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

**Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts** (See page 34 of the instructions.)

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No
- (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No

Note: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

completing schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true,  
information of which preparer has any knowledge

17/04 **GEORGE TABIN, DIRECTOR**  
Type or print name and title.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check if \_\_\_\_\_ Preparer's SSN or PTIN \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)**

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),  
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

**Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)**

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2003**

Name of the organization

**HIMALAYAN CATARACT PROJECT, INC.**

Employer identification number

**03 0362926**

**Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees**

(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
<b>NONE</b> -----				
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Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶		<b>0</b>		

**Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services**

(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<b>NONE</b> -----		
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Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶		<b>0</b>

<b>Part III Statements About Activities</b> (See page 2 of the instructions.)		Yes	No
1	During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities <b>▶</b> \$ _____ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes," must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.		X
2	During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)		
a	Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?		X
b	Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c	Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d	Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?		X
e	Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 a	Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments.)		X
b	Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?		X
4	Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?		X

**Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status** (See pages 3 through 6 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

5  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).

6  A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)

7  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).

8  A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).

9  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state **▶** \_\_\_\_\_

10  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

11a  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

11b  A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

12  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

13  An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 5 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

14  An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 6 of the instructions.)

**Part IV-A Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12) Use cash method of accounting.  
 Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	394,774.	491,796.	508,448.		1,395,018.
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose					
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	13,339.	14,194.	8,184.		35,717.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	408,113.	505,990.	516,632.	0.	1,430,735.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	408,113.	505,990.	516,632.		1,430,735.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	4,081.	5,060.	5,166.		
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					26a 28,615.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1999 through 2002 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					26b 727,996.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)					26c 1,430,735.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 35,717. 19 22 727,996.					26d 763,713.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26e 667,022.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					26f 46.6209%
27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: N/A					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: N/A					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 16 17 20 21					27c N/A
d Add: Line 27a total and line 27b total					27d N/A
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					27e N/A
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount on line 23, column (e)					27f N/A
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27g N/A %
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27h N/A %
28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1999 through 2002, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.					NONE

**Part V Private School Questionnaire** (See page 7 of the instructions.)

N/A

**(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)**

		Yes	No
29	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
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32	Does the organization maintain the following:		
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	32a	
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b	
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	32c	
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)	32d	
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33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a	Students' rights or privileges?	33a	
b	Admissions policies?	33b	
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c	
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?	33d	
e	Educational policies?	33e	
f	Use of facilities?	33f	
g	Athletic programs?	33g	
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)	33h	
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34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a	
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.	34b	
35	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation	35	





**Depreciation and Amortization** 990  
 (Including Information on Listed Property)

**2003**

Attachment  
 Sequence No 67

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return <b>HIMALAYAN CATARACT PROJECT, INC.</b>	Business or activity to which this form relates <b>FORM 990 PAGE 2</b>	Identifying number <b>03-0362926</b>
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**Part I Election To Expense Certain Tangible Property Under Section 179** Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1 Maximum amount. See instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	100,000.
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation	3	400,000.
4 Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
<b>6</b> (a) Description of property (b) Cost (business use only) (c) Elected cost		
7 Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9 Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2002 Form 4562	10	
11 Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2004. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V

**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property)**

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election (see instructions)	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS) (see instructions)	16	4,591.

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property)** (See instructions.)

**Section A**

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2003	17	
18 If you are electing under section 168(i)(4) to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2003 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only - see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property	/		39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/			MM	S/L	

**Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2003 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

20a Class life	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only - see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year	/		40 yrs	MM	S/L	

**Part IV Summary** (See instructions.)

21 Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations - see instr	22	4,591.
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

**Part V Listed Property** (include automobiles, certain other vehicles, cellular telephones, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement)  
**Note:** For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete only 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable

**Section A - Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See instructions for limits for passenger automobiles )**

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					24b If "Yes," is the evidence written? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost	
25 Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use							25		
26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use.									
		%							
		%							
		%							
27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:									
		%				S/L -			
		%				S/L -			
		%				S/L -			
28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1							28		
29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1								29	

**Section B - Information on Use of Vehicles**

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

	(a) Vehicle		(b) Vehicle		(c) Vehicle		(d) Vehicle		(e) Vehicle		(f) Vehicle	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)												
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32 Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven												
33 Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32												
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?												
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

**Section C - Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees**

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners	Yes	No
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?	Yes	No
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?	Yes	No
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? <i>Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles</i>	Yes	No

**Part VI Amortization**

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2003 tax year:					
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2003 tax year					43
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f) See instructions for where to report					44



