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Since 2005, Sister Emmanuelle's friends have been supporting CPCS projects that deal with children at risk and in street situations in Nepal.

Jean-Christophe Ryckmans, director and founder of CPCS, has just been awarded the honorary title of **Commander of the Order of the Crown by His Majesty King Philippe**. This distinction honors his commitment and the work accomplished over more than 15 years. He will be in Belgium this November 14 to receive this reward from the hands of the King. (presence in Belgium from November 11 on).

Here is the reaction of Jean-Christophe:

"It's above all a recognition for the entire CPCS team, years of action, fighting, success (and failure)

Honestly, it's a pleasure, A small recognition! It are not the smiles and the lives that prove that our action is worth it ...! But it ensures that projects are seen, followed and commented ... that there is support, heart ...! Thank you to Sister Emmanuelle's Friends.

A Little moved thought to all those young lives who passed away too early: Krishna, Ganesh, Ganga, Deepok, Lal, etc., etc ... This medal is yours »

In Nepal, the Child Protection Centers and Services (CPCS) fights the phenomenon of street children, working with them in a process of socialization and ensuring access to medical care, legal protection, educational activities and citizenship, schooling and shelter when they do not know where to spend the night. The work can be divided into 3 main areas: prevention (before the street), risk reduction (during street life) and social rehabilitation (for a constructive return to society). More than 6,000 children, young people and sometimes their families are supported by the various CPCS projects. Its director and founder, Jean-Christophe Ryckmans is a former student of journalism. His life changes when he was confronted by street children. Like Sister Emmanuelle ... he decides to fight against this injustice, and his energy has already served thousands of children. Moreover, his staff is partly composed of young people out of the street!

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