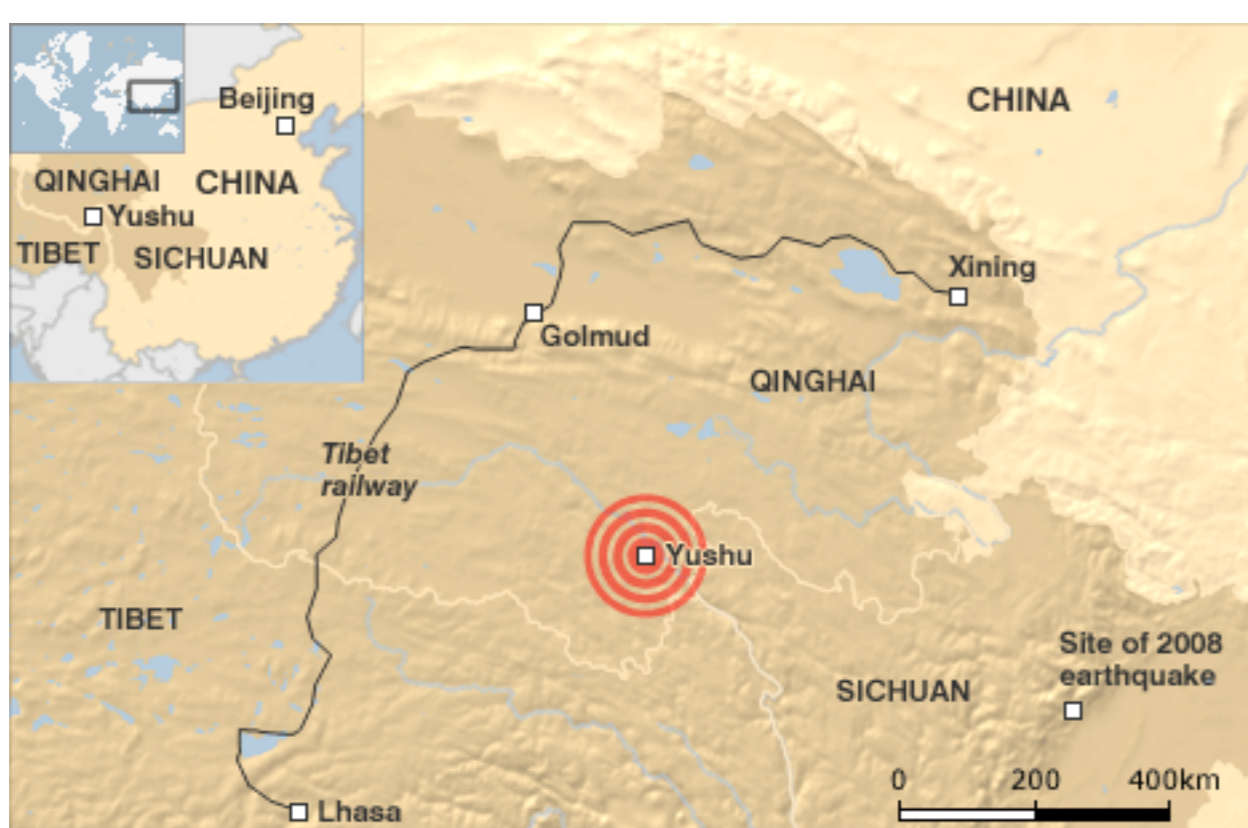
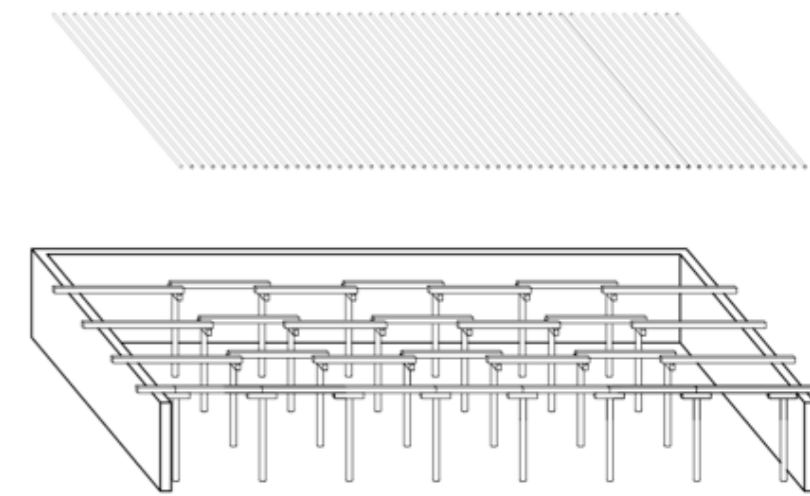


THF China Tibet Project

to preserve traditional settlements & architecture



The historic town of Jyekundo is over 1000 years old. In 2009 THF's team restored the Chatsongsang House in cooperation with the owners. Tibetan artisans carried out the work, using the traditional building skills and materials: stone, mud and timber.



On 14 April 2010, Jyekundo town was devastated by a powerful earthquake, causing many deaths and untold misery. Many buildings constructed in concrete, and particularly those built in a mix of old and new materials and styles collapsed. The house restored with mud and timber has survived.



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Yushu Jyekundo Old Town Conservation Project
Location: China Qinghai Province Yushu Prefecture

THF works to preserve the historic Tibetan mud-and-timber houses in the center of Jyekundo city, threatened by an urban re-development scheme which would relocate the residents. The first house rehabilitated in 2009 survived the April 2010 earthquake, showing that the traditional local architecture is well adapted to the local conditions.
Duration: 2007-present.

Sponsors: Misereor (Germany) and ACCA (Thailand).

Working Process

A team consisting of local community members, one local community architect and other architects and volunteers from Japan, Germany and China help residents to rehabilitate and restore their buildings. Residents have to make a contribution to the work. The work must be carried out by local artisans using the traditional materials and technologies, no work is given to contractors.