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On the trail between from Ghorepaani and Taatopaani, Nepal, a water-powered stone grinder -- or mill -- spins above the grain collector. Water mills, called Paani Ghatta in Nepal, are an important innovation in mountain agriculture. Water is channeled from a nearby stream or river and directed down to a shaft which propels the grinder into motion. Grain to be milled is poured into the collector that sits right above the grinder.



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