Local Governance and Community Development Programme (LGCDP) II





The programme facilitates implementation of governance reform, service delivery and capacity development, citizens empowerment, socio-economic and infrastructure development. UNDP is responsible for small technical component of this multi-donor project.



BACKGROUND

The Government of Nepal (GoN) is committed to improving people's standards of living through citizen-centric governance and effective service delivery based on democratic values and rights-based development. LGCDP has achieved considerable success in implementing its first phase in the areas of local governance and community development.

Quick Facts

Duration: FY 2013/14 to 2016/17

Focus Area: Local Governance and Community Development

Source of Funding of UNDP Component: UNDP

UN Agencies: UNCDF, UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA, UN Women, UNV, UN AIDS, UNEP

Total Budget of UNDP Component: US\$ 1362 million





Main Achievements so far...

[UNDP supported component contributed to the following broader results of the LGCDP II Project]

- Re-established links between state and citizens in the aftermath of the conflict through reinforcement of participatory planning processes and the creation of citizens' institutions across the country.
- Strengthened the demand and supply sides of local governance by empowering citizens to actively engage with local government bodies.
- Increased the capacity of the government to deliver basic public services through a devolved system of local governance.
- Promoted social accountability processes throughout the country.
- Mainstreamed disadvantaged groups into the development process by taking a rights-based approach.

Gender & Social Inclusion Interventions

- GESI is fully integrated into all aspects of programme's implementation, including all outputs and activities.
- Developed GESI policy with strategies for Local Bodies to mainstream GESI in all of its programme and institutional structure.
- > Developed GESI Resource Book and increased the capacity of the local governance stakeholders on GESI to mainstream the intervention into local development program
- Developed the Local Bodies
 Gender Responsive and Social
 inclusive Budgeting and Auditing
 Guideline and completed GESI
 orientation at 75 districts
- Mainstreamed of GESI into local government policies, procedures and processes

Expected Programme Results

(by the end of programme cycle)

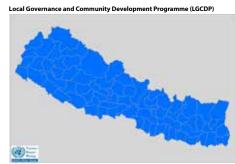
The expected results under the UNDP component are as follows:

- MoFALD will have increased capacity to ensure effective and efficient local service delivery as well as improved coordination and support mechanism
- MoFALD will be able to select, train and build capacity of volunteers to support local bodies
- One programme coordination unit, six regional coordination units will be established
- 75 district governance experts, 58 municipal governance experts will be hired
- High-level policy advisory services will have been provided on issues such as local body restructuring and decentralization, including fiscal decentralization.
- A development partner coordination cell will be established
- Strategic, policy analytical support will be provided to development partners and Government of Nepal

Other results include:

- Citizens and community organizations empowered to actively participate in and assert their rights in local governance.
- Accountability mechanisms for local governance established.
- Local bodies' access to resources increased.

Where We Work



The programme covers all 75 districts, all VDCs (currently 3632) and all Municipalities(58 old and 72 new)

- Public financial management system improved.
- Institutional and human resource capacities of local bodies and central agencies involved in local governance strengthened.
- Access to and quality of local infrastructure and other socioeconomic services administered by LBs improved.
- Integrated planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation and coordination amongst local governance actors strengthened.
- Refined policy on local governance and inter-agency cooperation improved.
- Policies for devolution and federalism developed.
- Programme management support provided.





