

# Active Citizenship through Inclusive Volunteering and Empowerment (ACTIVE) Fact Sheet 2023-2024

## Project Duration:

February 2023 – March 2024

## Areas of project involvement:

Province 2. Madhesh and Province 6. Karnali

## Project Thematic Areas:

1. Inclusive Education
2. Agroecology & Resilient Livelihood
3. Health
4. Engagement & Leadership

## Primary Actors:

1. Youth groups
2. Women and girls'
3. Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)

## Implementing Partners:

- National Farmers Group Federation Nepal (NFGF)
- AASAMAN NEPAL
- Jan Jagaran Youth Club (JJYC)
- Youth Advocacy Nepal (YAN)

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## Project Overview

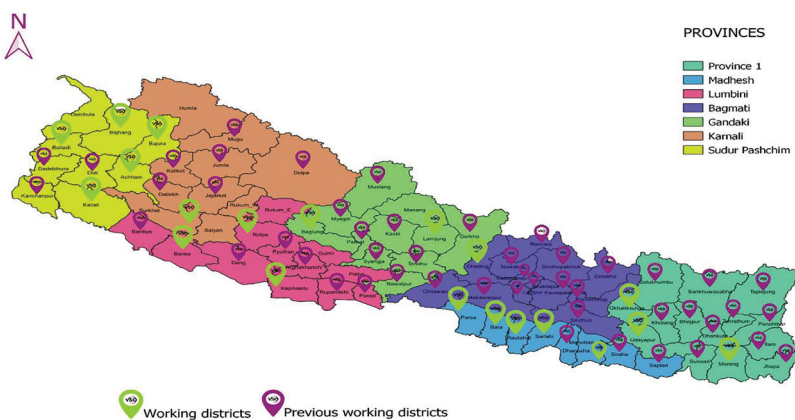
ACTIVE's aim is to enable these groups to actively participate in and influence their own development. ACTIVE will provide support to vulnerable and marginalised individuals in their efforts to address and take action on development concerns that hold significance for them.

## Project Objective

The primary objective of ACTIVE is to enhance local accountability, foster inclusivity, and alleviate poverty by recognizing and empowering individuals who are most vulnerable and marginalized, with a particular emphasis on women, girls, youth, and persons with disabilities.

## SDG Goal Indicators

- Goal 1 No Poverty
- Goal 2 Zero Hunger
- Goal 3 Good Health & Well Being
- Goal 5 Gender Equality
- Goal 8 Decent Work & Economic Growth
- Goal 10 Reduced Inequalities
- Goal 13 Climate Action
- Goal 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions



## ACTIVE WARD INTERVENTION

DISTRICT	PALIKA	WARD
BARA	KALAIYA	1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 20, 24
	JITPUR SIMARA	1, 2, 14, 15, 19
RAUTAHAT	GAUR	2, 4, 5, 6, 7
	GADIMAI	1, 4, 6, 7, 8
	LEKBESI	3, 4, 10
SURKHET	BHERIGANGA	10, 11
	GURBAKOT	6, 10

## Planned Initiatives

### Output 1 – Enhanced capacities of local people and their collectives (organizations and networks) to demand their basic rights in health, education and livelihoods in programme countries

#### Activities and Deliverables

- 1.1.1. Facilitate organisational capacity building of the National Farmers Group Federation (NFGF) at Palika and provincial levels for enabling NFGF to effectively engage in localisation of Right to Food Act and promote gender responsive farming.
- 1.1.2. Small Grant support to enhance of Youth Led CSOs (YLCs) engagement in leading Agroecology, Resilient Livelihoods, RtF based advocacy events.
- 1.1.3. Parental awareness and orientation program for engagement in learning recovery and accelerated learning at school.
- 1.1.4. Capacity strengthening of volunteer network (NYEN) at local level and aligned with the Youth CSOs national level network along with other youth and volunteers' cohorts.
- 1.1.5. Support youth network in publishing youth journal incorporating youth concerns in development sector and beyond
- 1.1.6. Radio Jingles/public service announcement (PSA)/video
- 1.2.1. Organise civil society led learning sharing events to influence policy (right to education, inclusiveness, equity, inclusion and disability, participation in governance) at federal, provincial and local levels. (Local Level, provincial Level and National level govt representative, YLCs representative, ACTIVE project partner representative and other relevant stakeholders)
- 1.2.2. Train and orient local youths in local level planning process and budget advocacy to enhance engagement of youth in local planning, budgeting and policy advocacy.
- 1.2.3. Conduct Training of Trainers targeting feminist groups on SDGs for amplifying agenda of women, youth, person with disability.
- 1.2.4. Facilitate Advocacy Agenda Planning (on Health, Education, Resilient Livelihoods), with youth engagement as cross cutting agenda at national level.
- 1.2.5. Organise youth led capacity building interventions on democracy and leadership, advocacy, participation and policy process at federal level.
- 1.3.1. Strengthen collectives to promote agenda of women farmer rights and integration of these agenda in National Farmer Group Federation.

- 1.3.2. Support capacity building of Girls and Inclusive Education Network (GIEN) at Provincial and Federal Levels, including development of the GIEN Manual.
- 1.3.3. Capacity strengthening and mobilisation of girls' networks to demand based rights in education and health (Girls Volunteer council).
- 1.3.4. Facilitate the formation and group strengthening of Health Mothers Group to effectively engage mother groups in Health Facility strengthening, Harmful social norms transformation and organising community based awareness events.
- 1.3.5. Formation and capacity building of the PWG (Pregnant Women Group), including orientation on birth preparedness package and continuum of care and health system.
- 1.3.6. Social Norms Assessment and Social Norms Transformation on Child Marriage and its interlink ages to Health Services.
- 1.3.7. Collaboration with other likeminded CSOs and networks

### Outcome 2 – Improved access and delivery of quality services in health, education and livelihoods for marginalised and vulnerable local people

#### Activities and Deliverables

- 2.1.1. Development and replication of Agroecological Plots for improved delivery of appropriate and inclusive support services to local farmers and increase their engagement in adoption of viable agroecological practices that reduces their multiple vulnerability and promote evidence based advocacy.
- 2.1.2. Capacity Building of Local Government representatives on Inclusive Right to Food Framework, Farmers Safety Net and Inclusive Livelihoods Services.
- 2.1.3. Onsite coaching and Mentoring support to Frontline Health Workers on IUCD, Family Planning, SBA (Skilled Birth Attendant) etc.
- 2.1.4. Train facilitators on how to teach children motor and kinesthetic skills, emotional and social skills based on ECD curriculum.
- 2.1.5. Provide technical support to ensure delivery of National Curriculum Development at ECD level.
- 2.1.6. Training on inclusive pedagogy/UDL approach for resource class teachers.
- 2.2.1. Development of Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (Gaur Provincial Hospital/Pre Hospital Care).
- 2.2.2. Support to conduct community score card on SDG indicators to enhance social accountability (Continuation of Essential Services CES).

- 2.2.3. Technical support to Health Facilities on effective implementation of CSC Action Plan.
- 2.3.1. Explore partnership opportunities with diverse organisations for strengthening systems responsiveness.
- 2.4.1. Support the localisation of the Right to Food Act and Guideline at Local Government and Provincial Levels.
- 2.4.2. Facilitate Policy Advocacy and Public Policy Dialogues and interactions with YLCs and LGs at national and Provincial levels. (Policies related to Right to Food, Inclusive Education Policy, National Youth Policy and Health Policy.)
- 2.4.3. Support the localisation of National Health Sector Strategy Plan.
- 2.4.4. Action research for policy recommendations based on CGD findings relating to National Youth Policy (NYP) and National Volunteer Policy (NV) embedding components of Youth Vision 2025.
- 2.4.5. Dissemination of LGBTIQ++ position paper to decision/policy maker local, province federal level.

**Outcome 3 – Increased uptake and application of Global Standard for Volunteering by relevant stakeholders, locally and globally, for citizen-led development programmes.**

#### Activities and Deliverables

- 3.1.1. Organise Youth Dialogue Series, focusing on impactful and responsible volunteering at provincial and national levels.
- 3.1.2. Support the localisation of the NVP and NYP (integration of policies).
- 3.1.3. Capacity building workshops to Youth led CSOs on Global Standard on Volunteering for Development.
- 3.2.1. National dialogue on global standard for responsible and impactful volunteering.
- 3.2.2. Workshops on Global Volunteering Standard and impactful volunteering with state institute and Volunteer mobilising agencies including AIN Youth Working Group.

- 3.3.1. Issue based partnership with Academia for sectoral policy advocacy and youth (Students and Graduates) engagement in policy discourses.
- 3.3.2. Media Fellowship for Learning, Documentation and Dissemination (Common activity of all components).

**Outcome 4 – Improved evidence of and understanding on the effectiveness of the volunteering for development approach in citizens’ empowerment and system’s accountability**

#### Activities and Deliverables

- 4.1.1. Knowledge product on mobilisation of big sisters in promoting agenda of inclusive education demonstrating value of VfD.
- 4.1.2. Learning documentation on mobilisation youth actors and volunteers in adopting social accountability tools to track progress on SDG targets.
- 4.3.1. Knowledge documentation on empowering girls, youth, vulnerable communities towards the path of building Active Citizenship to improve access and delivery of inclusive and accountable services.
- 4.2.2 Knowledge product based on research entitled “Transforming wellbeing of women and girls through health and social norms change interventions.”
- 4.2.3 Learning document on local people led empowerment and accountability process promoting active citizenship and accountability.
- 4.2.4. Develop paper on promotion of agroecology with the major objective of scaling up of these interventions by other farmers and duty bearers.
- 4.4.1. Engagement of National and Community Volunteers.

#### Collaborating Partners and Stakeholders

