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## **VISION**

**CREATE SELF-RELIANT AND EQUITABLE SOCIETY IN NEPAL**

## **MISSION**

**BASE COMMITS FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC, HUMAN RESOURCE  
AND INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT; CULTURAL,  
ENVIRONMENTAL AND HUMAN RIGHT PROTECTION AND  
PROMOTION AND CREATION OF EQUITABLE, PEACEFUL AND  
PROSPEROUS SOCIETY.**

## **GOAL**

**TO CREATE EDUCATED, EQUITABLE AND HEALTHY SOCIETY BY  
PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES OF LIVELIHOOD, DEVELOPMENT,  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSIONS FOR  
EXCLUDED COMMUNITY.**



## STATEMENT

The year 2020 was challenging for BASE to achieve tangible results of its work due to effects of Covid-19 pandemic, however, I am happy to present BASE organization Nepal's annual report 2020 with achievements we have been able to bring with our collective efforts. This report gives an overview of the BASE development projects implemented in Dang, Banke, Bardiya, Kailali, Kanchanpur, Surkhet, Kapilbastu, Rupandehi and East Rukum of Lumbini, Karnali and Sudurpaschim provinces.

Last 30 years, BASE interventions have focused on literacy, quality education, freedom of bonded labor (Kamaiya slavery system), access to WASH rights, strengthening governance of CFUGs, schools and local government, livelihood and income generation through vocational skill development training and support to increase income through agriculture value chain, promotion of climate smart agriculture practice, reducing vulnerability and increasing resilience of flood affected communities in west Nepal. Along with the development program, BASE has responded with humanitarian support to the communities as well as local government and community people to protect from COVID-19 pandemic.

Across the project implementing districts BASE has provided support to develop Annual School Improvement Plan and build the capacity of SMC and PTAs where children have been benefited for the quality education, thousand days mothers received support for nutrition pancakes and telephone counselling services on health and nutrition, marginalized communities have access to safe drinking water and quality health care from trained health workers, support to strengthen sub national government through dialogues for sustainable peace building in the community, strengthening system through lobby and advocacy and build capacity of local government and CBOs to combat child labour and trafficking. Our tireless efforts and commitments will be continuing, and 2020 has been many milestones achieved in this journey of socio-economic change.

I would like to extend my grateful thank to development partners; Kailash Satyarthi Children Foundation US and New Delhi, Mercy Corps/UK Aid, Yale University US, RTI/USAID, The Asia Foundation, Water Aid, Lutheran World Relief, Christian Aid, World Education Inc. HKI, CARE, Global Giving, Martin Dunn Charity, Federal, Province and Local government of Nepal, We greatly appreciate to our charismatic leadership and Founder President Dilli Bahadur Chaudhary who is always envisioning innovation for changing of socio economic empowerment of marginalized community.

We are very thankful to line Ministries, Social Welfare Council (SWC), District Coordination Committee and local level government-Municipalities for their continuous support. These achievements would not have been possible without support from the Government of Nepal and municipalities. I would like to thank to our Central Management Team (CMT) and program leads for quality implementation of the program and effective administration. Last but not least, thank you to all our program coordinators, district coordinators, admin and finance team including board members without their support this report wouldn't come up with this face. I would like to thank all those who have taken this journey of exploration with us over the past 12 months, and I encourage you to read on.

**Churna Bahadur Chaudhari**  
**Executive Director**



## PROJECT Highlights 2020

2020 was an important year for BASE with so much challenges and opportunities resulted by the pandemic of COVID-19. With the support of our donors, partners, volunteers and other stakeholders, we were able to achieve significant success. Key highlights of the year include:

## ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT THROUGH SKILL AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT (EESD) PROJECT

The Economic Empowerment through Skill Development (EESD) Program aims to increase economic competitiveness through employable skills and entrepreneurship focusing to youth. And the specific objectives are to enhance market-oriented skills for employment, to enhance easy access to business development services and to develop capacity of targeted youths on easy access to financial services.

EESD project has been implemented in Thakurbaba and Barbardiya municipality of Bardiya district targeting 296 (221 for onion 75 for turmeric production) energetic, interested, committed and marginalized Dalit women and youth beneficiaries under onion and turmeric production intervention. The project targets promoting youth led agro-based enterprises to increase their economic competitiveness linking them with financial institutions.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

Through this project marginalized and unskilled youths have got technical and financial support to acquire skills and knowledge to succeed their enterprises by receiving trainings and developing business

plans for their business development. After delivering employable skill through training youths began their enterprises for self-



employment. Among 296 youth beneficiaries engaged in this project, 221 beneficiaries have enhanced their entrepreneurship skill in production of 60345 kilo grams of onion on 330 kattha. Similarly, 75 youth farmers (Men 46 and Women 29) were engaged in commercial turmeric farming on 264 kattha to increase their economic status for future sustainability. After empowering youth's knowledge and ability for agricultural production, it was easy to improve market access for selected high value crops for which turmeric processing plant has been established.



Along with in the coordination with relevant government entities and private insurance service providers we have established Ranijaruwa Agriculture Cooperative Ltd, through this cooperative model branding,

packaging and marketing training for turmeric products has been conducted and provided support for it. The cooperative members/ entrepreneurs have been provided enterprise based rolling training and we provided capacity building training to key management committee. The economic status of the youths has been ensured through this economic empowerment skill for their future sustainability.

### CASE STORY



The community people of Barbardiya municipality ward no.1 in total 1531 households, all depend on agriculture tasks. They used to depend on cooperative of neighboring wards for financial service. After the establishment of Ranijaruwa Agriculture Cooperative at their own ward in the decision of BASE consulting with local government, meetings were organized coordinating to Bardiya municipality and the municipality representatives. Since, there was no any cooperative in function due to risk of corona transmission. As Ranijaruwa Agriculture Cooperative Ltd, got registered forming 13 members in the committee on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2020, after preparing bylaws and getting approval from community level and municipality level, it took initiation to distribute shares involving 484 shareholders. Ranijaruwa Agriculture Cooperative Ltd. has

outstanding result within a short period as it has collected NRs. 248,100.00 as share capital/fund, NRs. 46,400.00 as entrance fee by selling 2481 shares (*kitta*). NRS 47,310.00 has been accumulated from regular monthly savings. In total it has fund of NRs. 341,810.00 deposited in its bank account at NIC Asia Bank, Jaynaga, Bardiya. All the committee members have worked hard to bring the community people on the mainstream of the cooperative following safety measures while motivating and dealing with them.



### HEALTHY START – WASH IN HEALTH CENTER FACILITIES (HCF) PROJECT

Healthy Start Project has been conducted in Bardiya district which is mainly focused in better and effective service delivery of maternal and new-born health in the sector of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) in 34 Health care facilities (HCFs).

The project is focused to showcase minimum WASH standards requirements in 8 HCFs as per the draft version of National standards for WASH in HCF. Local government members and officials will be involved in sharing them about importance of WASH in Health care facilities (HCFs) along with health workers, cleaners and health facility operation and management committee. Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) in

health care facilities are prerequisites for people-centred care and delivering quality health service.

### HIGHLIGHTS 2020

The construction work of 2 water facilities at 2 HCFs (at Patavar and Dhaduwar HCFs) has been completed and handover it by respective HCFs. Sanitation unit is ready in both HCF. In Patavar 2 block toilet with disable, gender and child friendly is constructed and in Dhaduwar health post 4 block toilet with two gender and child friendly, one urinal for male and one disable friendly is constructed. In both HCF, three hand washing basins have been placed in OPD, laboratory and ward as per the need of HCF. With this construction health workers and Pregnant and Lactating Women (PLW) have access to safe water and improved sanitation facilities in the birthing centres.



In Hygiene promotional activities with mother group, 300 participants were involved and for Hygiene session monitoring and record keeping (ANC/PNC) 34 HCFs were visited in which Health Workers (HWs) and HFOMCs are capacitated for delivery of Hygiene promotion package to pregnant and lactating mothers. In three HCFs (Patabhar HP, Dhaduwar HP and Mathura HP) for 61 participants WASHFIT tool orientation and assessment has been completed. This has made the Local Government and HCFs aware in capacitating on National standards for

WASH in HCF (2018 Draft). Film making event has been conducted in Rajapur and Bansgadhi municipalities focusing hygiene promotional activities where conduction of hygiene session, interview with mother and demonstration about mother taking bath to her baby and five good hygiene behaviour of mother was shot. The media programs generated the sharing of project evidences. WASH improvement plan review meeting with HFOMC in all HCFs was completed. The regular DPAC meetings have strengthened the coordination with government stakeholders. Health care waste management training to the sweeper and cleaner has been provided who are now seen involved in maintaining cleanliness around the periphery of the HP.



### Case story

#### "WASH Facilities at Bhimapur HCFs"

Interview with Health Post In-Charge  
"Bhimapur Health post is in Rajapur Municipality, ward no- 09 Godiyana community of Bardiya district. There was only one toilet and no water point for drinking water and sanitation purposes. It was difficult to maintain the cleanliness and good sanitation inside the health post premises. Not only were the visitors, even the health staffs unable to get clean and safe drinking water and use toilet properly. Since, Healthy Start Project has been implemented



by BASE Bardiya with technical and financial support from Water Aid Nepal. It supported for the construction of WASH facilities in Health Care Facilities. Now, we have toilets enough for all service providers and service seekers and bio sand filter for clean and safe drinking water.



Four toilets have been constructed for all age group Child, Gender and Disability (CGD) friendly patients. 40-50 patients take services from these HP daily where there is facility of basins for hand washing, safe drinking water, water tank is available for the sanitation purposes. HFOMC members and Health staffs are pleased for being provided these services. They assure to use this property managing other required tools for regular maintenance and cleanliness."

### HYGIENE BEHAVIOUR CHANGE COALITION (HBCC) PROJECT

Hygiene Behaviour Change Coalition (HBCC) project is implemented in five municipalities of Bardiya district for the reduction of spread of COVID-19 pandemic in marginalized and vulnerable communities. Its main objective was to make them aware about applying protective measures to stay safe from this pandemic. Since this district having huge population of ex-kamaiyas and disadvantaged communities lacks hygiene behaviour and poor condition of rural

health, to reduce the spread of COVID-19 pandemic BASE intended to support the initiatives of local level for preparedness and response against the possible outbreak of Covid-19 provisioning/ensuring critical essential WASH services at HCF and EPI clinics, hygiene kit for most marginalized and vulnerable communities to fight against the Covid-19 pandemic.



By the Hygiene Behavior Change Coalition (HBCC) project, Base has focused on 34 Health Post and 71 Expanded Program Immunization (EPI) Clinics for providing critical WASH facilities to maintain hand hygiene. The project interventions have been done in close coordination with Health Office -Bardiya, local structures, and District Disaster Relief Committee (DDRC).

### HIGHLIGHTS 2020

Bardiya district was at high risk for corona for its adjoined and open border with neighbouring country, India. Therefore, for the reduction of spread of Covid-19 pandemic in Bardiya district through this project 4,735 households have been supported with sanitizer to maintain hand hygiene so that people learn to be safe and follow hygienic behaviour by using it. 189 marginalized and disadvantaged people from women, Dalits "Untouchable", freed kamaiya "Ex- Bonded Labour" have been



capacitated to produce hygiene related materials (Mask, Liquid soap).

Before the project has been developed there was no access of health hygiene behaviour in that community, they were careless about maintaining their good health, were not concerned about cleanliness, and were unknown about its direct impact in their health.



14 marginalized and disadvantaged individuals have been selected and supported to be local entrepreneur for producing mask and liquid soap. We established 105 hand washing station in the health post, PHCC, EPI clinic and ward office of 6 municipalities and 2 rural municipalities of Bardiya district. Now we see positive changes in their behaviour that they have been following hygienic habits.

Establishment of such washing stations became good medium of minimizing Corona infection within the community to some extent. 61 people including men, women, dalit, janajati in Bansgadhi, Gulariya municipality and Badhaiyatal Rural municipality were provided mask making training. Likewise, liquid soap making training in Madhuban municipality, Rajapur municipality, Geruwa rural municipality, Tharkurba municipality and Barbardiya RM was conducted for 128 participants in the

coordination with district administration of office and local government.



Through such trainings the participants got opportunity to learn new method of generating income source. In the coordination with municipalities, Base area committee including the trainers, among the participants 8 people involved in mask making training and 6 people involved in liquid soap making training were supported with



Start up support distributing (Mask & liquid soap) which helped them to be entrepreneur. BASE has also supported to make sustainability plan of Hand Washing Facilities conducting meeting for its preparation, operation and maintenance to make the community people aware about health hygiene behaviour. 105 HWF

Inventory has been recorded by M-water



mobile application developed by Water Aid Nepal. Hygiene products (Covid prevention kit) have been distributed to marginalized people, low income families, dalit and ex-kamaiya at the local level of the municipalities in the coordination of district administration and municipalities. Furthermore, one litre sanitizer at 6 local governments and 500 ml sanitizer at 2 local governments was distributed. Since then comparatively Covid infection rate in Bardiya district has been maintained.

### LIVELIHOOD IMPROVED PROJECT FOR EX-KAMAIYA PROJECT

The Livelihood Improvement for Ex-kamaiya project has been implemented in Bardiya district to improve the livelihood through diversified farming, agro-based business and building have capacities on resilience to climate change adaptation and disasters risk reduction. The project target to support Ex-Kamaiya, Landless and flood affected communities. To equip knowledge, skills and techniques on diversifying sources of livelihood, enhance their technical capacity on agro-base entrepreneurship, empower and develop capacity building through linkage with government scheme and financial institution to grow their enterprise and to equip knowledge and skills on

community-based DRR are the main project objectives.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

The project has formed Five Vegetable Producers groups and Eight Livestock group and registered in Agricultural department of Gulariya Municipality. Those groups have been benefited with the local government services and receiving subsidy support and technical training through this source of livelihood. Farmers have been economically empowered to fulfil their food and basic needs. 250 members from 13 saving groups are engaged in regular saving and loan allocation. To invest on their farming they take the debt from those groups that have helped them to apply new farming technique for the better cultivation.



We have provided training on climate technology for 83 households in commercial vegetable production. Now 48 farmers have started commercial vegetable production in





8 hector of land. 83 farmers have benefitted from subsidy support of agro tools and vegetables seeds. As a result they have increased their vegetable production and earn a fair amount of money, with income increased by 25%. A total of 45 farmers are involved in goat rearing with an average number of 11 goats per farmer. 268 goats were supported on demand of people along with shed improvement training, which has resulted in 674 goat population and are able to earn a good amount of money as one goat at maturity has a value in between Rs.10,000 to 15,000.

The project has provided new skills and knowledge of commercial livestock training for 167 households. 7 farmers are practicing farming for the businesses by setting up different agro-enterprises, resulting in diversified crop and food productions and increased incomes. Establishment of five resource centres has benefitted 75 farmers in improving local breed, promoting on commercial livestock farming and increase the income by 50% in which 33 marginalized HHs have been supported with improved cattle shed to strengthen their livestock shed and 28 marginalized farmers got supported with plastic tunnel for improving the quantity and quality of vegetable production. We have developed collection centre with support of local government and linkage with community that has benefitted 500 HHs. 25 households with around two hectors of land now have access to year-round irrigation facility from solar irrigation support. The project interventions have been supportive in improving livelihood status of marginalized ex-kamaiyas and reduce discrimination in the community.

### **CASE STORY**

#### ***Growing vegetables for a better future***



"I am Basanti Tharu from Bardiya district. I used to do livestock farming and cereal crops production in only 10 kattha land only for family's consumption, with that I only earned NRS 20000 a year. But I didn't have any sustainable source of income and that earning was not sufficient to fulfil daily needs for my family's consumption and had to borrow debts to pay for the education of my three children. Even my husband didn't have regular earning as he worked on daily wages.

Since I got involved in the project in December 2018 in Shanti Agriculture Group I started vegetable farming in 5 Kattha land getting advices from the project team, agriculture technician, trainings in technical knowledge and for commercialization of vegetable farming. I further got support of improved vegetable seeds, mushroom seeds, I gave up traditional farming and applying new technique I developed vegetable farming commercially and became the lead producer of the fresh vegetables in my village. I earn about 90,000 annually selling the green vegetables nearly four times higher than before and by growing mushroom I earn NRS 30,000 in winter season. I have also registered my enterprise on Medium and Small Size cottage Industry in Gulariya.

I am very happy and feel proud to be one of the leading entrepreneurs and successful

farmer in the village. The project interventions helped me a lot for improving my economic condition and livelihood. I will continue this profession even after the project ends as it is more profitable than other farm activities."

### REGIONAL DIALOGUE PROGRAM

Regional Dialogue (Sambad Samuha) Secretariat office supports on strengthening state–society relationship building on emerging issues relating to sub-national governance. Sambad Samuha has played the vital role to facilitate on different issues and dispute raised in local, province and federal government independently in the technical legal support of BASE. Formed Dialogue Groups need to work on facilitating for establishing good governance. The groups have identified 184 issues with an urgent need to reduce conflict, prepare spaces for dialogue and collaboration and increase people-to-people connections and country supposed to be moved forward with new development hopes with peaceful and prosperity.



To address the issues of the three layers of Nepal government, this project has been working in 8 districts i.e; Dang, Banke, Bardiya, Kailali, Kanchanpur, Surkhet, East Rukum, Kapilbastu covering the Lumbini, Karnali and Sudurpaschim province.

### HIGHLIGHTS 2020

Dialogue has been focused on the political issues thus the groups need to work on facilitating for establishing good governance for the stability of the government. This year we have identified 184 major issues that needed to be resolved through dialogue process in its working district. Regional dialogue program has been successfully facilitated in 184 (COVID -19 related 86, Non-COVID- 98) issues and up to now 68 issues (COVID -19 related 16 and Non- COVID related 52) have been resolved so far. 80 events of dialogue in the coordination meeting with different levels of government, line agencies and elected representatives have been held through phone, virtual and physically. Regular monthly dialogue meeting has been conducted in the participation of total 1240 (female-461) in organized 84 events.

The most important virtual event has been held on Indo Nepal Dialogue on Trafficking of Children across borders in the participation of distinguished representatives from Nepal and India. Sambad Samuha Banke, Kanchanpur and Dang have started to focus the dialogue in ward level and youth because they are the first persons who are more possible to involve in the movement or strike.





Sambad Samuha has focused on sharing and collecting some of the information through the use of the internet applications that is more effective in the present context. As the group has been designed in the GESI concept, 28 were female participants among the total 68 persons, trained on the need of good governance to institutionalize federalism. Similarly, in total of 78 Sambad Samuha members including 19 females have received 3p analysis training. Among 19 Sambad Samuha members along with 9 females received training on Single & Common Authority of 3 (Local, Provincial and Federal) levels of government. Likewise, 100 (Female-34) stakeholders have been trained on Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment (PSEAH).

Regional dialogue program has supported to establish peace in community level, in dispute management of different levels with harmony and good governance and has focused and succeeded on relation building, accountability, effective service delivery, boundary dispute and resource management in different communities.

### SAFE TO LEARN - BLOSSOM PROJECT

Safe to Learn –Blossom project has been implemented in 12 local levels of Kailali (9 local levels) and Kanchanpur (3 local levels) districts. The project covers 70 schools of Kailali and Kanchanpur (13 in Kanchanpur and 57 in Kailali district) aiming to train the head teacher and safeguarding focal teacher of those schools on safeguarding and complaint handling mechanism. The specific objective of the project is to provide life skill sessions to 30,500 students of grade 6 to 12 and train 11,200 Sakcham Chori in school or out of school. Implement on life skills, sexual reproductive health and rights and child

safeguarding was the largest activity in Blossom.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

The project team completed an assessment of the schools to identify the possibility of virtual training for the teacher's trainings in which total 140 (90 males, 50 females)



teachers had participated and conducted trainings in safeguarding and handling complaints/feedback for which management committee has been formed.



An orientation to school management committees (SMCs), parent-teacher associations (PTAs) and school administration bodies on child safeguarding

Workshops for schools to develop safeguarding standards and safeguarding work plan within the School Improvement Plans (SIPs) have been conducted in all 70 schools of Blossom working area which includes establishing and continuing CHM, the child protection policy, code of conduct and other activities to create a safe learning environment in schools. This has helped the schools in maintaining and establishing proper hand washing facilities, repair toilets , maintain a child friendly environment in the library and classroom, disseminate child safeguarding related messages, disinfect the school prior to reopening, managing thermometers, hand sanitizers and masks, manage drinking water facilities at schools to safeguard the children against COVID-19.

A group of students and a teacher are gathered in a circle in a classroom. All individuals are wearing face masks. The teacher, a man in a black shirt and blue track pants, stands on the right, addressing the group. The students, mostly women, are seated on the floor or on small stools, listening attentively. The room has plain, light-colored walls and a simple, functional appearance.

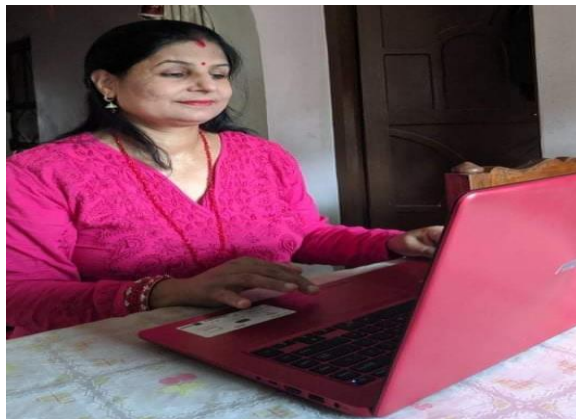
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Various dialogue events were conducted to raise awareness, advocate, and influence stakeholders and the local and national government to create a healthy, enabling environment for children at home and in schools. BASE has been broadcasting radio

jingles on Safeguarding issues during emergencies and contact detail of referral mechanism through 4 different radios. School and community-based extra-curricular activities for children (street drama, wall painting, oratory and quiz competition etc.) to raise awareness around protection rights has been conducted in all schools. The project has also consulted to prepare home schooling program during the lockdown period through virtual trainings and volunteer teachers with the district education unit of the local and state government for the delivery of the trainings.

### **CASE STORY**

#### **School commitment to listen the issues of children and empower them**



Even during the situation of COVID 19 pandemic, Ranjana, the safeguarding Focal Person at Shree Panchodaa Secondary School, has been involved in reading books and contacting students through phone. While contacting students, she counsels to students on psychosocial wellbeing and their engagement in life skills and other extracurricular activities. This training has boosted up her confidence and commitment to listen to the issues of children and also be an encouragement even in this situation.

She shared that she had never thought of connecting virtually and participating in this sort of productive training where they discussed protection issues in school. In addition, she shares that the child club has been the better platform for girls and boys to share their issues and support on the management of small funds and addressing issues. She emphasized the club's mobilization is essential for overall development of students

Not having an enabling learning environment, discriminatory and violent disciplinary practices in the teaching and learning processes have affected the learning and performance of students. She also mentioned that they have prepared the work plan for School Improvement Plan (SIP) that focuses on public awareness, counselling and psychosocial support. Through the training on safeguarding and handling complaints in the school a comfort zone can be created among students to raise their concerns verbally or through voice box.

### **SUAAHARA-II (Good Nutrition) PROJECT**

Good Nutrition Program is being implemented by BASE in 10 municipalities of Dang district. The main objective of this



program is to improve the nutritional status



of women, children and adolescent girls in Nepal. The project focuses on providing knowledge on nutrition, health, for pregnant, lactating mother and mother with six month babies to deliver right message in right time. Along with the project idea is about family planning, water, sanitation and hygiene, agriculture, food production, gender equity and social inclusion.

## HIGHLIGHTS 2020

We have been providing effective health services to improve the health condition of 11 mothers organizing mother groups. Field Supervisor with the coordination of FCHVs shared the knowledge about the importance of consuming Iron Folic Acid, ANC/PNC check-up, breastfeeding, providing nutrient foods and its preparing method for each 1000-days family as needed. Among the targeted beneficiaries 9360 were 1000 days' mothers, 905 adolescent girls and 12091 others (neighbours and family members) so that they were encouraged to follow the concept of nutritional practice continuously. This year FCHVs with support of Suaahara-II Field Supervisors have oriented the mothers about importance of preparing nutritious food using locally available food materials through food demonstration program and also the targeted beneficiaries learnt about the importance of **Bal-Vita** for under 2 years babies through FCHVs. This has made the mothers concerned of their own and their babies' health. There were total 92 participants in the breastfeeding week celebration organized (Health post wise) in all Palikas through which the participants received orientation on importance of breast feeding by HP in-charge and health coordinators. 44 peer facilitators received

knowledge through PF review meeting and skills on intensive counselling and they have been playing effective roles in delivering messages about importance of Iron for the pregnant women and mothers in communities. Each peer facilitator has been counselling 20-25 women of 1000 days in average in communities of Shantinagar and Babai RM.

During national Vitamin-'A' Supplementation Campaign FCHV and health post representatives dosed the Vitamin-'A' and de-worming to the under 5 aged babies in school and through home visit. IFA review meeting has been conducted by FS in 285 schools with total 7118 (male 1046 and female 6072) participants who were health coordinators,



health facilities in-charges, school teachers, SMC members and RM/URMs Chairpersons including students. Through these sessions the participants learnt about national nutritional program, school health and nutritional program, relation between nutrition and adolescent, causes and symptom of anaemia and importance of IFA for both school going and out of school adolescent girls. In this reporting period 190 SAM cases were identified and referred to OTC centres and they received RUTFS. 653 households received knowledge and skill on water purification system and importance of hand washing with soap and water in critical



situation through the counselling of field staffs. 1000 days mothers were encouraged to follow this practice and have been improving wash behaviours.

CHSB was done in 5 health facilities and CBIMNCI onsite coaching has been completed by technical officer in 5 health facilities in order to enhance knowledge and skills of health workers to provide quality health service to marginalized communities. Facilitation of the review meeting with PNGO board members has been done by MNCH and GESI officer with total 18



participants (6 female and 12 male), the motive was to provide basic knowledge and skill about GESI, develop communication skill of PNGO board members and staffs on GESI concept. We in the collaboration with local governments of Nepal and other local stakeholders in Dang district participated in 16 days' activism campaign to end violence against women celebrating it successfully performing different activities; this increased awareness in people and made them concerned from GESI perspective. We have conducted PNGO review meeting with 98(Male-54 and Female-44) participants in the active participation of ward level stakeholders. It's core objective was to ensure the nutrition of 1000 days mothers and it also aimed to make disaster risk reduction plan and aware to community

people to make resilient during disaster period.



After the interaction meeting with agriculture and livestock extension workers, municipal coordinators, VMFs and HFPB group members of Tulsipur and Rajpur rural municipality some achievements like orientation on Suaahara HFP component and its distribution from the agriculture and livestock head of Tulsipur sub metropolitan city has been done including the HFPB group members and 1000 days mothers. Rajpur RM will be supporting to VMF network for registration process and capacity building training to VMF. The project has also supported VMFs/LRPS/HFP group members from vulnerable ward Paharuwa of Tulsipur 15 to enhance their resilience capacity in farming, orienting them on food system and livelihoods including support in establishment of demo on adaptation of climate smart agricultural practices and technologies.

RM/URM level Nutrition and Food Security Steering Committee meeting with 73 participants including technical session on the importance of MSNP has been successfully accomplished in 4 municipalities of Dang through which municipal and ward level NFSSC have been oriented for its formation and functioning process. To support on COVID-19 pandemic to the local bodies Suaahara-II program has executed risk mitigation related activities like phone counselling to community people, support

safety gear to health workers even supported PPE (Mask & Sanitizer) to 930 Female health women volunteer (FCHVs) during national Vitamin A supplementation program.

#### CASE STORY



"I am Khusiram Chaudhary from Dang, Rajpur municipality 2, Bela Village. Since I am engaged in seasonal vegetable farming, my income through this was just not sufficient for my family's economic support. But after I received training from Suaahara-II program, I applied technological method in my



farming and expanded my business for which I received a loan of Rs 10000/- from cooperatives and successfully paid it back. I along with my wife with great effort started selling vegetable crops not only to my neighbours also to traditional markets in other villages. Besides vegetable planting, I also used the second time loan to buy water pump, farming utilities and vegetable seeds. Very soon, I earned NPR 400 each day from selling vegetables at the market. As I earned enough for my daily needs and to pay my

children's school fee, I was able to quickly repay the loan."

#### SUPPORTING THE EDUCATION OF MARGINALIZED GIRLS (STEM - II) PROJECT

The project has been conducted in Kailali district of Sudurpaschim province to enhance the capacity building of the marginalized girls. **STEM** has identified and focused to address several barriers to prepare for making and sustaining a successful transition to the next level of education, personal and economic empowerment. In order to overcome the barriers caused due to the pressure of early marriage, early pregnancy, natural disasters and lack of life and vocational skills, STEM has intervened related activities i.e. improvement in learning skills, school infrastructural as well as WASH facilities development, empowerment on reproductive health education and services, adequate trained teachers through capacity development and focusing on gender equality of marginalized girls.

The project aims to improve the life changes of marginalized girls in Kailali through a series of proven interventions focusing major three outcomes; Learning, Transition and Sustainability.

#### HIGHLIGHTS 2020

The project has focused in making the parents, beneficiaries and concerned stakeholders aware about students' scholarship provisions of Government of Nepal airing the radio jingles through 5 local FM radios that has reached to 253,542 people in average. Through radio, newspaper and street drama to aware community people, children and parents about support to enrolment campaign along

with the message of COVID 19 when schools re-open, the project has facilitated municipal level child protection TOT and



child safeguarding policy to all 6 local governments of the STEM working areas in order to endorse them through municipal executive boards in the participation of 199(female 68 and male 131) people.

With the involvement of local government authorities, elected representatives, teachers, SMC and PTA members, municipal level Education Committee Workshop (Project Close out Event) has been conducted. This will make stakeholders responsible about how to uptake the good practices after the project closure. Including the Municipal level executive board members in total 331(female 62 and male 269) participants have endorsed the 5 year municipal level education development plan prepared in the support of the project as strategic document. 30 events of GCF to non- GCF sharing meeting was conducted in 30 schools with the purpose to share their learning's, practices and teaching methods among all staffs of the respective schools, which GCFs acquired through trainings/workshops provide by the project. This was fruitful for them to apply the best teaching methodologies in regular class and learn in preparing teaching action plan consequently.

30 In School Girls Clubs have been implemented in STEM schools with the participation of 1482 girls from grade 10 where girls have improved learning in core subjects; Mathematics, Science, English and Nepali and ASRH along with improving their studying habits and build their confidence to ask questions to the teachers openly. SEE preparing 1038 girls with the involvement of 52 GCFs have been supported stationery items by the project for the effective teaching learning for the preparation class. As a result parents don't have burden of paying huge money for their daughters' education. Through Learning and skill exhibition day by Is STEM girls, the project proposed to enhance students' skills and knowledge by developing different types of teaching and learning materials, creation and invention to be used in classroom activities in different subjects for the demonstration in exhibition at schools and community programs to wider the communities.



STEM school boys and girls shared their learning from ASRH to community people about personal hygiene and discrimination that takes place during menstruation period, regarding determination of sex, family planning, safe motherhood, HIV AIDs, safe abortion, to avoid Chhaupadi Pratha through interaction, performing street drama and



door to door visit program displaying posters, pamphlets. In total 3180(1863 female and 1317 male) audiences watched street drama acted by 193(142 female and 51 male) actors. Similarly, 246 students (223 girls and 23 boys) involved in door to door home visit program interacted with 188 parents (1369 female and 511 male) altogether. Likewise, 40 (39 female and 1 male) parents were present and 19 girl students involved in the interaction.

GTF management board has been established and conducted in 4 cooperatives of Dhangadi, Kailari, Ghodaghodi and Tikapur with the objective to increase economic opportunities for OOS girls who could not complete their school education. In total 140 OOS girls attended the vocational training(Tailoring level-100 girls, House wiring level 1-9 girls and Beauty parlor level 2-29 girls). This has built skills and supported them for self- employment and entrepreneurship. IS girls have been provided skills for making reusable sanitary pad to maintain hygiene also to reduce absent rate of girls in school during menstruation period. Moreover, TOT volunteers have facilitated self-defence training to 850 OOS/IS girl participants from grade 4,7,8,9 and 10 focusing on physical exercise, to provide them basic knowledge for self-defence and protect themselves from sexual harassment and abuse.

A total 199(female-68 and male-131) local government authorities attended the MPAC meeting and joint monitoring visit with the objective to share progress and update, monitor project activities and implement in the field to collect feedbacks for further improvement. The project has completed follow up workshop in the presence of 286 participants (GTF and VT recipients) .We found 80% girls have been doing their start up business. They have become

independent, capable to support their families, enhance their capacity to cope with the problems, educate their child in private schools and have improved their life style.

Best practices sharing and close out workshop has been conducted at school/ community I, municipal and at provincial levels sharing the stakeholders about the end of the project. In conclusion the project was found to be effective, the participants shared that the program really supported to enhance the learning achievement and confidence of girls and the stakeholders showed interest in replicating the methods of key activities learnt through the project in their locations.

### **CASE STORY**

#### **From OOS to Entrepreneur**



"I am Maya chaudhary from Tiakpur Municipality-6 Lachhinapur. My father Ramswarup Chaudhary is a farmer and mother Prasadni Devi Chaudhary is a housewife. Due to my family's poor economic condition, I couldn't do progress in my study. As I failed SLC exam in 2067 B.S., I dropped out my study. In 2067, I took 6 months training of Beauty Parlour in Dhangadi and started to work in one of the parlour. After a year I started my own Beauty Parlour. But after my marriage in 2071, I left my profession. Then again I re-continued my parlour in Bhajani Municipality in the support of my husband's investment of NPR



20,000. Owing to lack of investment, my business couldn't groom up so I was suffering due to it. At the same time, I came to know about Girls Transition Fund (GTF) through the STEM-II Social Mobilizer, Ram Kumari Chaudhary. In her suggestion I took GTF loan of NPR 150,000 from Samudayik Cooperative Tikapur, Satti for the expansion of my business in 2075. And then my business got expanded with more additional items in my shop including gift items. I am doing well and have grown up my business. Nowadays, I save NPR 300 in three different cooperatives, earn NPR 20,000 monthly and during the season my income increases. Though I am busy yet I am completely satisfied with my business. I have been able to improve my family's economic condition through this business as well."

#### **CHILD FRIENDLY VILLAGE CAMPAIGN IN NEPAL PROJECT**

A novel concept of Child Friendly Village to empower parents and communities for ensuring children rights to education and freedom from the practices of child labor, school dropout as well as child marriages is being implemented by BASE in Rapti Sonari Rural Municipality of Banke district. The project has been funded by Kailash Satyarthi Children Foundation US. The development objective of the project is; to eliminate child labour and human trafficking from the village by establishing system at villages by forming child friendly villages and to ensure that all children are attending school. This project is being closely coordinated with local government for reaching to neediest children through advocacy, lobby, social mobilization, service delivery and empowerment. The participation of children is strongly encouraged as they are the future of the community, village as well as nation.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS 2020**

In continuation to first year project, the activities have been carried out effectively and efficiently from the learning from trainings, visits and mentoring by KSCF senior teams. Children got united into a network to lead and advocacy for child rights by experiencing democratic process to choose their leaders. Children got oriented and aware about child rights as well as BMG. 45 children have been taking ownership to raise their voice and joining hands to ensure child friendly environment in their surroundings. The coordination with local government was strengthened through regular coordination meetings as well as joint plans developed together. The formation of ward level children network



done jointly in all nine wards ownership of local government was developed. All ward level children network got recognition from ward and rural municipality. Children got empowered from the orientations provided to the members of network that they

accessed to information and dialogue with local government for their priorities.

This resulted to develop joint plans of BASE and local government with the involvement of children; this enhanced their knowledge and skills. Identifying neediest children and conduction of awareness raising activities i.e. street dramas, wall paintings, video shows were the major activities in the planning those were leaded by network members mobilizing club members in every village. This was effective to collect number of disadvantaged children for providing educational materials support. Total 271 real



needy children got the support to continue their schools which has reduced the number of school dropout and out of school children. Based on the findings of baseline survey and screening carried out by children and field staffs 31 out of 72 child labourers are in need of rescue and rehabilitation which was updated and discussed with the chairman of Rapti Sonari RM as well as network members and BASE board members. The chairman has realized the need of shelter to rescue and rehab these children as they do not have safe environment to return back to home. Likewise members of network and BASE

committees have extended their commitment to join hands for rescue and



rehabilitation. The further process as agreed by chairman could get done because of the lockdown caused by pandemic of covid-19. Whereas based on the verbal communication with Chairman Mr. Lahuram Chaudhary, he has prioritized this in upcoming annual assembly of rural municipality.

As per the joint actions planned by children network, ward offices and BASE, 1628 people including children have directly observed the drama and empowered on child rights and trafficking. It has been greatly appreciated by the communities as well as local governments being of the most effective ways for mass awareness rising. Members of children clubs and network have initiated their own drama team to get mobilized that has enabled children with lots of experiences that they will get developed as competent characters of drama, theatre shows, and movies in future. Likewise, through wall paintings communities have got messages and felt empowered against

The bio-monthly meetings being organized regularly have increased confidence of the staffs and they are getting well mobilized in the field. BASE boards have become aware about the activities of BMG and have expressed their solidarity in the BMG and its interventions. Discussion meetings enabled a platform for the members of children



and rehabilitate child labours which will contribute to eliminate children labours from RSRM.

The founder president of BASE and Member of Parliament, Mr. Dilli Bahadur Chaudhary has been having policy talks at parliament of province no. 5. With his efforts provincial government had passed the Child Protection Bill which now is being applied by the local government. In order to ensure child rights series of policy talks are required which are being focused at province and local level.

KSCF team from USA and India observed the status of progress and gaps of the project interventions at the field level. Developed understanding to better execute and move ahead with further plans and activities in BMGs. Clearer ideas were received for proper BMG execution. Similarly, consistent monitoring as well as meetings has guided to trail the progress by resolving any issues occurred timely and have ensured timely actions at the field along with better

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coordination and coaching to the staffs



Staffs are mobilized to become helping hands in the communities.

Staffs are becoming helping hands in the community as well as to government. People of BMG got information and total 22 (F- 12, M-10) persons of our CFV and child clubs got



benefitted from the dental camp organized by ward office. Our staffs are also supporting to government to ensure that neediest receive the relief support and children do not suffer during the pandemic of Covid-19.

## CASE STORY

### Collective voice and efforts work



I am Madhu Tharu, aged 15 years daughter of Mr. Ram Bahadur Tharu, Permanent resident of Raptisonari Rural Municipality ward no 8, Dharmawati Banke. I am student of grade 10 at Shreeee Durga Bhawani Secondary School Raptisonari-2, samsergunj, Banke. Four members of our family are dependent upon the income generated by my father who is a daily wages labor.

I am very delighted to get selected as a president of Janashakti children club formed in my village where we have Dharmawati BMG also. I remember before we children were not united. We were unknown about children clubs and its importance. Since I along with other children of my village got formed in to club we are organized with common understanding to child centred development. After receiving orientation we got knowledge about child rights, and concept of BMG. We started having our regular meetings where we discussed about the issues and challenged of the children in our village. We are trying to raise our voice for the rights of my friends.

I am very delighted to share that none of the school aged children in my village are out of schools. Our collective effort has succeeded to make this possible. We have been sharing that education is the only and basic thing to change human life, so we must go to school. We have been trying to encourage and inspire our friends. After few months, I nominated my candidacy for the ward level network. I was given a chance to campaign for collecting votes from the voter friends. And I feel obliged to get elected as president of ward level child confederation of ward no 8. Through the several platforms given by BASE, I got to develop my skills and knowledge. I was able to meet and discuss with ward office regarding child centred development. I am truly honoured to be a



part of this initiation which I am committed to. I am trying to keep meeting members of clubs and network. We had developed our plan with ward office for the first time. It was great experience for us. I would like to thank BASE for the facilitation and opportunities. I also thank KSCF for their support. I can better perform with more opportunities of capacity building and exposures for which I request to BASE and KSCF.

### Shanti's wish came true



Ms Shanti Tharu daughter of late Mr. Hari Tharu and Anita Tharu lives in Raptisonari rural municipality ward no 2 Hariharpur Banke. She is 13 years old and Studying in grade 6 at Shree Nepal Rastriya Basic school of Raptisonari 2 Mahendrapur Banke. She has 2 siblings; elder sister and Younger brother. He father passes away when she was just three years old. After her father's demise she used to stay at her maternal uncle's home to keep herself fed. In spite of keen interest in studying she was unable to join school regularly. Because of the mental shock she faced in her childhood and not getting chance to be regular in school, she was much worried. She looked upset and felt lonely. Since CFV

project got launched in her village she came to know about child clubs. And while collecting the names of needy children, Shanti was also included in the list that was in dire need of educational support.

So, with joint collaboration between BASE and ward offices, she has been provided with copies, pens, bag, geometry box as well as school uniform. As the school enrolment is free in Rapti Sonari, she has now got confidence to be regular in her class. Shanti is very happy to have this support and she is thankful to BASE and ward office for making her wish come true.

One of her teachers said "Shanti is an honest student who was good in study but she used be stay absent mostly for not having copies and pens. Since she has received them she is regular and looks cheerful."

### **TAYAR NEPAL –IMPROVED DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT**

BASE (Backward Society Education) organization has successfully implemented four months (September 15, 2020 to January 15, 2021) emergency response TAYAR Nepal project in Ghorahi sub-metropolitan city, Dang district of Lumbini Province. Based on the recommendation BASE has implemented this project in all 19 wards of the municipality. The project was financially and technically supported by USAID/DAI to implement Component 3 Supplementary Tasks: COVID - 19 response activities with an overarching objective to provide implementation support to prepare, support, and strengthen Nepal's disaster response and recovery system to assess and respond to the second-order impacts of COVID-19. Within this main objective, there are three activity-specific sub-objectives: i) to support the municipality to prepare for



the socio-economic impacts of the COVID-19 crisis; ii) to assist the municipality in piloting replicable livelihood and economic support interventions; and iii) to liaison with the municipality for mobilizing finance and resources in addressing urgent recovery needs. BASE has facilitated and coordinated with the municipality, TAYAR Nepal field teams and other technical partners i.e. World Vision International, Nepal Economic Forum and local stakeholders such as; ward offices, Chamber of Commerce. The major activities included; developing a municipality economic recovery plan, implementing cash transfer programming for livelihoods, skill trainings for returnee migrants to cope with impacts of COVID-19 and contribute economic recovery in Ghorahi municipality.

## HIGHLIGHTS 2020

BASE successfully accomplished to support returnee migrants and COVID-affected people by carrying out planned activities. Help Desk has been established and being operated through Ghorahi sub-metropolitan city. It has been a resource centre to deliver information, messages and capacity enhancement for DRRM. Beneficiaries' selection for both Cash for Work and Conditional Cash Grant has been accomplished and registered on Comm Care software. Eleven selected schemes accomplished as per the design and

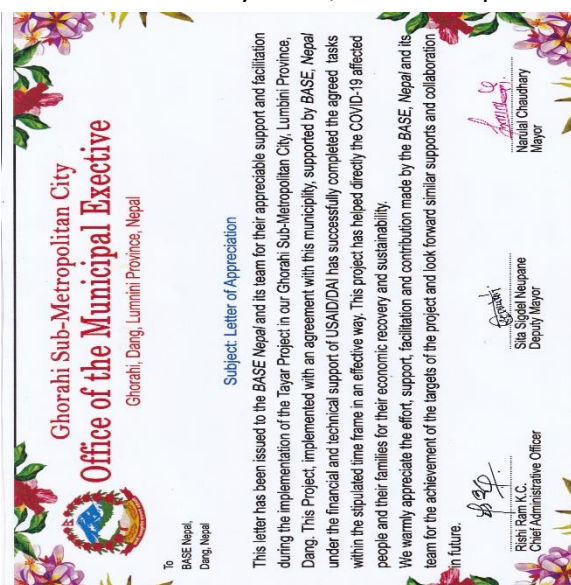
estimation. BASE has been able to accomplish the targeted activities by mobilizing its network and members. They have been providing cordial support in coordination and community mobilization. Better understanding developed with local government has helped for better coordination. The economic recovery plan in Nepali version has been developed and handed over to Ghorahi sub-metropolitan city that they are adopting to respond during crisis. Orientation on Help-Desk to 163 ward representatives, health workers and female health volunteers has transferred the



information widely.

PSA broadcast through radio station has disseminated the useful information to empower with wider and mass coverage. 252 people are secured by accidental insurance. 158 marginalized and Covid-19 affected people are socio-economically benefitted through Conditional Cash Grant Support. 20 vulnerable and the neediest returnee migrants have got opportunity to enhance their skills for their self-employment. All training recipients have been distributed with In-kind materials to

start their enterprises. 204 beneficiaries have received economic recovery support through cash for work activities. Along with that community development has been contributed through the infrastructural development, renovation and maintenance works. The successful and meaningful initiatives made by BASE, TAYAR Nepal has



been appreciated by the local government by rewarding us.

## CASE STORY

BASE has extended 1629 meter long foot tract at Ghorahi Sub-Metropolitan City Ward no. 1 that joins Atthaise village to Chamero Cave. The work of scheme started on 28th



During construction work of the track road

December 2020 and completed on 17th January 2021 benefitting 42 poor and Covid-19 impacted beneficiaries directly and 400 households indirectly under Cash for Work of Tayar Project.

Prior to extension of foot track at ward no.1, there were some pits, big stones/cliffs, bushes across the foot track consequently it was difficult to walk along the track. People used to suffer while bringing grass for their cattle from the jungle as well as while visiting the Chamero Cave, Maljhari Cave, Chharchhare fall. During the rainy season it was very difficult to move due to flood in the stream.

There are four villages connected with this foot track. Most of them are poor and unemployed Dalit people. The youths go to India to earn money. They are engaging in agriculture activities. During Lockdown time they were unable to go India to earn money and their financial status became poor.

Before the beginning of foot track extension, the field status was observed and monitored in order to prepare environmental report and Cost design as well as cost estimation. As per report, there was planning cost of NPR. 4, 34,172 for the extension of 1200-meter length, 1 meter width and 0.9 meter height. On the basis of this report, selection of beneficiaries was carried out by the support of ward representatives as per GESI concept who are poor and covid-19 impacted people. Later on, tools and equipment for construction of work and Covid-19 safety gears were purchased and delivered to construction site. All participants were oriented about the electronic payment process, working hours and days, use of safety materials. To make easy while implementing the scheme a monitoring committee was formed, two leaders amongst the beneficiaries were chosen. Prior to beginning of the work 12



beneficiaries had dropped out their work and again BASE selected other new beneficiaries consulting ward representatives. And finally the extension of work was launched which was regularly followed up and monitored by ward representatives, BASE staffs, and sometimes by personnel of Tayar Nepal project. Now, 1629 meter long, 1.25 meter width and



After the completing of construction work

0.65 meter height foot track has been extended filling the pit, clearing the bushes, setting hume pipe and making dry masonry wall. The real entire cost has come to be of NRP 5, 48,416.75. Basant Raj Lamsal one of the beneficiaries says, "Now it is easy to walk along this track and many people would come here to visit Caves and falls." Hence extension of this foot track has made easy to go to one village to another village and deliver goods from market. The local government has planned to develop this foot track as a rural road. Ward Chairperson Mr. Rammani Pandey says, "We are planning to extend this foot track by widening to make it 5 meter."

In this Cash for Work activity on the one hand has contributed to construct and extend the existing foot track and on the other 42 community people earned daily wage to survive their family. Samjhana B.K one of the beneficiaries said, "We were

unemployed before and now we have got job for some days. Around 400 households are being benefited by the newly extended foot track.

### COVID-19 QUARANTINE/ISOLATION CENTERS RELIEF DISTRIBUTION IN DANG AND BANKE PROJECT

In order to cope with the battle against COVID-19 BASE organization distributed relief materials to the quarantine/isolation centres operated by the local government in Dang and Banke district. To protect those COVID-19 affected were staying in



quarantine/isolation centres and control the transmission, the safety gear materials and equipment were supported to Rapti Sonari Rural Municipality in Banke and Tulsipur,

Ghorahi sub-metropolitan cities in Dang. The main goal and objectives of the project is to ensure people staying in quarantine facilities in Banke and Dang have access to a hygienic and comfortable environment.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS 2020**

Based on the need and requirement of Raptisonari Rural Municipality BASE has provided 250 small blankets, 5 Solar (300 watt) panel sets, 250 mosquito nets for the Quarantine and Isolation centres. Likewise, total 5 Water Filters (20 litres), 150 sets hygiene kits and 100 bottles of Sanitizer (500ML) were provided in different Isolation and Quarantine centres of Dang and Banke District. To reduce the COVID 19 community transmission and transmission of health personals we have supported safety gears materials to health professionals assigned in quarantine, isolation and health centres because they were lacking the basic safety gears.

Therefore 122 sets of PPE, 1280 pcs surgical masks, 200 pcs N-95 masks, 300 litres anti-virus chemical, 1140 sets loose gloves, 100 pcs VTM, 5 spray jars have been distributed in both districts. All of the materials supported were as per WHO/GON standards. Our attempt has been helpful for the management of hygiene, WASH and safety in the quarantine and isolation centres.

#### **SAKRIYA**

The SAKIRYA project is working to improve the capacity of these networks to raise awareness of these problems: and improve capacity to implement initiative to address

child labor or forced labor and violations of acceptable conditions of works. The project aims to improve capacity of civil society to identify and document accurate, independence, and objective information on the nature and scope of the child labor and /or forced labor, and violations of acceptable conditions of work in the brick, zari and carpet sectors as well as to raise awareness for the protection of works from child labor and/or forced labor, and violations of acceptable conditions of works. The project



has also focused to capacity development of the CSOs and BASE. BASE is focused on brick kilns in two municipalities i.e. Tulsipur and Lamahi of Dang district.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS 2020**

BASE got good opportunity to participate and capacity enhancement of its 10 staffs and board members through Organization Capacity Assessment workshop organized from 21 to 23 January 2020. Strong coordination has been developed with the local governments that made easier and effective to ward level baseline survey that has been completed in 19 wards of Tulsipur and 9 wards of Lamahi municipality. A total 21(17 Male 4 Female) of Tulsipur and 19 (15 Male 4 Female) from Lamahi including ward



presidents, ward members, education branch representative, and social development branch representatives received orientation of the project.

In this period BASE got opportunities to participate in Community Based Action Research training in January 5 to 7, 2020. Similarly, BASE completed community based survey in total 27 (Lamahi -12, Tulsipur- 15) brick factories where total 533 (Lamahi – 185, Tulsipur – 348) children have been found. This has been documented and reported to respond with case management and further supports i.e. relief, rescue, referral and awareness raising.

#### **CASE STORY**

Shyam Nepali is the son of father Bal



Bahadur Damai (Dalit) and mother Sukmaya Damai. He is 16 years old, lives in Majgaun Dang. He has 6 members in his family. Owing to his low economic condition he could study only up to grade 3. He is the eldest son in the family so he had the responsibility of looking after his siblings thus couldn't continue his education. His parents have been working in Jay Shri Hanuman Brick Factory in Tulsipur-18 and they live in that factory. During rainy season they work on daily wages as it is off season for making bricks. As Shyam grew up he was compelled to join the same

profession to support his parents. He has been working there since two years, now he gets NPR. 300/- daily wages that is used for his family expenses. With his support it had



been easy to run the family to some extent. In this way they were maintaining their economic status but all of sudden due to COVID-19, they became jobless as the factory remained closed. As a result, they had to face economic crisis lacking income source. He shared that in such situation he received great help of food relief that was distributed to such child labors in the economic support of World Education through BASE in the coordination of Tulsipur Municipality and Ward Office. He hadn't expected such help so he was happy to get it. Even the ward Chairpersons and representatives of the municipality endorsed this relief distribution for those working labors of our society and also suggested to bring other supportive programs targeting such groups regarding education, providing educational materials to child labors so that children of low economic family could gain education. They also expected some income generating skillful trainings for their parents.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF YEAR 2020

**BACKWARD SOCIETY EDUCATION (BASE)**  
Central Office Tulsipur, Dang  
Consolidated Fund Accountability Statement

For the year ended 31st Ashadh, 2077 (July 15, 2020)

Schedule A.

Amount in Ru.

Particulars	Donor	Amex.	Receipt (Including Opening)	Payment	Fund Balance	Amount in Ru.				
						Advance & Receivable	Payable	Bank	Cash	Fund Balance
<b>Grant Funds:</b>										
Supporting The Education of marginalized Girls (STEM-SE)	Mercy Corps	1	65,412,472	64,945,813	666,659	16,200	(5,755)	655,777	438	666,659
Professional and Technical Research Service Project - Kathmandu/ Dang	Yale University	2	13,491,572	13,491,572	-	-	(2,327,600)	2,373,111	548	0
DR FAC	European ECHO/SCI	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wash Equity Project (GRTG) Bardiya and Dang	Water Aid Nepal (WAN) Healthy Start	4	3,757,955	3,243,556	41,438	431,460	-	2,978	-	41,438
Economic Empowerment Through Skill Development Project (ESRD)- Bardia	Latham World Relief (WR)	5	3,040,299	3,429,978	3,811,221	954,012	(102,046)	2,790,280	-	3,611,221
Economic Empowerment through Skill Development Program (ESRD- II)- Bardia/Tahle	Latham World Relief (WR)	6	1,116,810	1,116,810	-	-	-	-	-	-
WASH Equity Project (GRTG)- Bardia,Kailali and Dang	Water Aid Nepal (WAN)	7	990,438	978,452	(48,014)	91,562	(169,461)	23,235	4,669	(48,014)
LIP for fix - Kailali - Bardia	Christian Aid CAED	8	11,550,044	6,388,749	5,161,295	2,893,514	(269,297)	2,534,078	-	5,161,295
Sanitary II - Dang	Care Nepal	9	487,403	694,833	32,550	32,550	(7,147)	7,147	-	32,550
Sanitary II - Dang	HELEN KELLER INTERNATIONAL (HKE)	10	1,485,274	15,499,845	(557,570)	44,864	(1,040,085)	431,655	5,000	(557,570)
Regional Dialogue (RD/District - Dang,Bardia, Kailali,Kanchanpur and Jajarkot)	The Asia Foundation (TAF)	11	24,692,162	20,780,103	3,912,959	3,179,521	(38,316)	797,691	1,63	3,912,959
Strengthening Remedial Package and Support for Change in the Classroom (SRP) - Bardia	World Education (WE)	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enabling Women to Produce Early Grade Reading Material Project (EWPP) - Dang/Bardia	World Education (WE)	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Rural and Renewable Energy Program (NRRP)	Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (APEC)	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SAKRITA	World Education	15	956,945	853,968	102,957	47,200	(61,433)	117,369	-	102,957
Refugee Success Region Program	Krishi Gyan Kendra, Govt. of Nepal	16	205,894	205,894	-	-	-	-	-	-
USAID's Early Grade Reading Program (EGRP), Dang	Research Triangle Institute (RTI)	17	6,656,871	6,656,871	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micro Finance - Dang & Bardia	Shree Foundation	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WASHPLAN Project - Kailali	USAID/WASH	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sustainable Education Development Project (SEDP)- Bardia	Vishu & Wally	20	384,578	384,578	-	-	-	-	-	-
Literacy Program - Bardia	Rozan to Read Nepal	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Livelihood Entrepreneur & Alternative Energy Promotion Project (LEAP-II)	ACRA Nepal	22	655	655	-	-	-	-	-	-
Livelihood Recovery & Disaster Risk Reduction (LJ/DRR)- Bardia	Latham World Relief	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DEKAM Project, Bardia	Fund View Feet (FVA/NEEDS)	24	1,76,379	1,76,379	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shiksha Se Shiksha Yoj- Dang	Plan Nepal	25	2,000	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kanchanpur Alot Kala Project (KAP-II) - Kailali	World Education	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sangai Siksha Sangam Bhawan (SSSB) - Dang & Bardia	World Education	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Protecting Neglected Children from Bounded Labor through Education Project (NEP)	Asia International (ASI)	28	1,80,722	1,80,722	-	-	-	-	-	-
Innovator for Agriculture Productivity and Commercialization (IAPAC) Project	AFR A Nepal	29	7,762	7,762	-	36,480	(28,718)	-	7,762	-
Regional Dialogue Program (RD-2)-Dang,Palpa & Kailali	The Asia Foundation	30	1,200	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nepal-Us American Education and Poverty Alleviation (NUEPA) Project	DFID	31	1,083,606	1,083,606	-	-	-	-	-	-
Livelihood Resource Management Initiative (LRMI)	Mercy Corps	32	0.53	0.54	(0.000)	-	-	-	-	-

Relief Programs for Flood Affected Families(RFFP)- Bardia	Lottery World Relief(WR)	33	1,000	1,001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Humanitarian Support For Flood Affected Families(HSFF) - Bardia	Christian Aid(CAID)	34	1,500	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nepal State School Program (NSSP)- Bardia	Save the Children	35	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Child Friendly Village Campaign in Nepal- Dang	Kailash Children's Foundation (KSCF)	36	6,329,224	8,446,589	892,636	913,210	(38,106)	7,523	-	892,636	-
Tharu Culture Conservation Program(TCCP)	Government of Nepal (GoN)	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Institutional Development Fund	Baso	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education Support To Child Labor In Nepal/ Necessary Power Victims in Nepal	Global Giving	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sargat Sikhar Sargat Bhatara - Strengthening Remedial Package and Support for Change in the Classroom (SRP)	Right Source RSM- Bhatara	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Child Friendly Village Campaign in Nepal	Kailash Children's Foundation (KSCF)	41	892,636	1,370,437	(287,801)	843,219	(1,332,813)	1,893	-	(287,801)	-
Safe to Learn (SL04S0M)	Mercy Corps	42	222,899	87,251	135,638	-	(25,765)	161,402	-	135,638	-
Sargat Sikhar Sargat Bhatara Strengthening Remedial Package and Support for Change Classroom (SRP)	World Education WED	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>Grand Total FY 2075-77</b>		<b>170,776,850</b>	<b>156,742,365</b>	<b>14,033,843</b>	<b>9,458,107</b>	<b>(5,360,644)</b>	<b>9,605,501</b>	<b>58,797</b>	<b>14,033,843</b>	
	<b>Grand Total FY 2075-76</b>		<b>327,336,613</b>	<b>188,530,230</b>	<b>38,886,383</b>	<b>31,935,157</b>	<b>(6,996,785)</b>	<b>13,305,358</b>	<b>592,874</b>	<b>38,886,383</b>	

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