

# Child Nepal (CN) Monthly e-Newsletter

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# We have moved to a NEW Location!!

From Chuchhepati Petrol Pump, pass through the steep turn of AADIM College, move straight and head towards the first turn again.



Child Nepal and Aasaman Nepal had successfully conducted two training in Bagmati Province at Airport Hotel, Kathmandu on 2nd – 4th March 2022 and Gandaki Province at Hotel Pokhara Village Pvt. Ltd on 5th to 7th March 2022. All total 17 participants from 9 NGOs were presented in the training. Some of the NGOs were working in the child labour project, i.e. CLARISSA Project, Sakriyra Project. The main objectives of the training were to exercise the tools of the capacity building manual through practically to NGOs staffs and learnt more about child rights, the UN convention of the Rights of the Child. The training was divided into two sessions i.e., opening ceremony and exercise of tools. Firstly, Program Coordinator hosted the training and Program Director of Child Nepal welcomed to the participants. The Program Manager shared the training objectives and the Chairperson of Child Nepal shared the remarks and handover to the facilitator. The facilitator collected the experiences on tools used in child facilitation on child labour. Afterwards, the facilitator facilitated on legal framework and ethical considerations on child participation as well as discussed on the tools that are selected for child facilitation on child labour. Out of 18 tools, 11 tools were exercised on the tools to the participants. During the training, meaningful and active participation was found. The closing remarks shared by the program manager. At the end of the training, the evaluation was done and 63 % was very much satisfied by the participation in Gandaki Province and 51 % in Bagmati Province. The participants were capable to conduct the consultation with working children

#### **Publications IEC materials- Posters/Stickers**

"Listening to the Experts" project had developed and published the IEC materials i.e., 1400 copies of posters in A3 size and 1400 copies of stickers in 6\*4 inches and 500 copies of stickers in 2.5\*1.5 inches (used in the project visibility like laptops, table, chairs etc.) The key message of the poster was to provide the opportunity to speak and should be heard the voices of working children. At the end of the poster, the emergencies contact number were mentioned i.e., Child helpline 1098, Nepal police 100, National Centre for Children



at Risk 104. Similarly, the key message of stickers was "Leave Child labour and send them to school". 40 copies of each poster and stickers were distributed to the NGOs who were selected for the capacity building training. As an output, they were using it in their own organizational events to aware about it. It will be used in the workshop, consultation by local NGOs to enrich the advocacy campaign to ensure the participation of working children and their voices to be heard and recommendations reflected in the relevant policy documents.





# **Project Visibility**

"Listening to the Experts" project supported to produce the project visibility i.e. T- Shirt. The project visibility was printed 60 pieces of T-Shirt in medium and large size. It has given clear message about to heard the voices of the working children. It was distributed to all the participants those who were selected for the Capacity Building training for NGOs on participation of working children.



#### **Parental Sessions in schools:**

Child Nepal in collaboration with Planete Enfants and Developpement (PE&D) organized parental sessions in 14 schools of Tokha and Budanilkantha Municipalities of Kathmandu through Investing in Early Childhood Development (IECD) project. These sessions focused on Positive Parenting and Playful learning targeting the parents sending their children in Early Childhood Development (ECD) class. In the beginning, the facilitators shared the importance of the sessions and



formed parents groups for role play related to positive parenting. Also, the sessions focused on playful learning that helped parents to learn the tips on how playful learning can be done with children at home. 531 parents benefited from these sessions.

#### **Psychosocial Support**

Psychosocial support was provided to three clients in March 2022 by Child Nepal. Two were follow-up cases and one was new case. Both the follow-up cases have been terminated as they no need further counseling and also they are unable to manage their time due to job. Moreover the new case is about a seven years old girl who was raped by her uncle. So, the child was in a fearful situation and once the information was communicated to the social mobilizers of IECD, Ms. Sushila Nepal immediately reached the family and provided the necessary support in the beginning followed by counseling support to the child in a child friendly way. Now, the child has started to join back the school.

#### **Referral to Services**

In March 2022, Child Nepal referred three children to relevant services. These children were identified during the parental sessions. All three children had heart problem. A visit to Gangalal hospital was done by Mr. Toyanath Tiwari and inquired about the services in the hospital. It was identified that the hospital was going to host heart problem screening camp and it was requested to organize the camp at Shree Pathivara Basic School as well. Thus, the camp was organized in the school on 13 March 2022 and these three children were screened and a major heart problem was identified of one child and other two had general heart problem. The doctors has advised for regular check-up and referred for medication.

#### Social Media Page on ECD

Child Nepal has been doing regular updates on the Facebook page of Hamro Baal Kashya in March 2022 through IECD project supported by PE&D. Altogether, six posts were made in the Facebook in March 2022. Videos related to making toy transportation, paper house, balloon body craft, paper craft on body parts and learning numbers were posted in the facebook page. The maximum reach of the post is 559. During the school, a follow up was made with facilitator related to this



facebook page and the facilitator has been following the page and trying to use the tools as shared by the ECD teacher of Shree Bal Bikash Samaj Basic School, Dandagaun, Budanilkantha. The posts in March has helped teachers learn and prepare ECD learning tools related to Transportation, Me and My Body and My Place which are the key components of ECD Curriculum of Nepal. By the end of March 2022, the page has

3488 Likes and 3622 Follows.

# https://www.facebook.com/ECDNepal

# Coordination meeting with Municipality

A coordination visit was done in Budanilkantha Municipality on 25 March 2022. During the visit, meetings were done with Education departments of the Municipalities and update were taken in terms of enrolment campaign. It was request to have joint program related to enrolment campaign in schools and IECD project would also coordinate in it. Currently, the department is focused on final examination and it was agreed to share about the enrolment campaign plan of Budanilkantha Municipality. Mr. Mohan Dangal and Mr. Toyanath Tiwari has joined the meeting.

# Enrolment Campaign of Model ECD Center

The Management Committee of Model ECD Center (currently Shree Mahadev Community Child Development Center) organized an enrolment campaign in the localities on 26 March in Tokha Municipality. Social Mobilizer Ms. Sushila Nepal has joined the campaign with the brochures related to enrolment in ECD prepared by IECD project. The brochures were distributed to local people and invited their children to enroll in the center.

#### **Child Friendly Space Handover to Community**

Child Nepal (CN) conducted a CFS handover event in Helambu Rural Municipality-7, Mahankal on 31 March 2021. The program was hosted by Mr. Prakash BK, facilitator. During the program, Mr. Ratna Upreti, Secretary, Mr. Mohan Dangal, Program Director and Mr. Ramesh Timilsina, Program Coordinator were welcomed as a guest. Afterwards, Mr. Dangal shared about the objective of the program to the beneficiaries, stakeholders and the project team. Mr. Dangal added the activities realized through the project. Also, he unfolded about the gentle agreement that was being held with Shree Mahendra Secondary School and CN after series of coordination with the school, particularly with Mr. Hari Ghimire, principal. Meanwhile, Mr. Ghimire urged the CN team to continue its support in school and community. Also,



he committed to operate the CFS continuously and was confident to get the support of the community and the rural municipality in terms of generating resources for the CFS.

The program was ended with the closing remarks of Mr. Ratna Upreti, Secretary. Mr. Upreti appreciated the initiative taken by the school and the SMC. Additionally, he highlighted to tap the resource from the rural municipality for the continuous operation of the CFS.

## **Emergency Support to Flood Affected Children and Parents**

Child Nepal (CN) supported flood affected children and parents through emergency support. The support was done to the selected families who were the most vulnerable families due to the flood. Moreover, the support was done for children's learnings, treatment for person with disability and chronic disease. The team led by Mr. Ratna



Upreti, Secretary including Mr. Mohan Dangal, Program Director and Mr. Ramesh Timilsina, Program Coordinator handed over the cheque to the families in the CFS center and through home visit who could not come to the CFS centre. Eight vulnerable families received the financial aid through the emergency support.

## Child Club Holds Inter-Generation Dialogue with Political Leaders

On 29 March 2022, Child Nepal (CN) supported child club to organize the intergeneration dialogue with political leaders in regard to raise children's agenda in the manifesto of the political parties that are going to take part in the upcoming local election in May 2022 and subsequently provincial and



federal level elections of the country. Moreover, municipal party president and leaders of Nepali Congress, CPN-UML, Raprapa and Maoist Party were present during the program and kept the views of their parties, particularly in regard to children's issues. Also, they responded the queries of the children on behalf of their parties during the program.

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