

SELECTED PROJECTS

- Spring water management, agriculture and resilient livelihoods in the midhills of Nepal (SPAN) (CSIRO, 2024-2028).
- Understanding the gender, equality, social inclusion, and distributional implications of the economics of climate change, the costs of adaptation, and bankable adaptation projects (ECONOGENESIS) (FCDO/IDRC CLARE, 2024-2026).
- Promoting Innovation and Inclusion in Growth Potential Enterprise: Evidence from Nepal (IDRC, 2023-2026).
- Tobacco Control Program (Cancer Research UK/ Kivu International, 2019-2026).
- Tomorrow's Cities Project (GCRF/University of Edinburgh, 2019-2024).
- Nepal's journey towards Zero Hunger: State of Food Security and Nutrition 2024 (NDRI, 2024).
- COVID-19 Business Pulse Survey for Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) in Nepal (World Bank, 2021-2023).
- Multi-Dimensional Poverty Outcomes of Indigenous Groups in Nepal (ADB, 2022).
- Understanding the impacts of extreme events in the hydropower sector in Nepal (ICIMOD, 2022).
- Preparation of a strategic framework for risk communication & to strengthen the outreach of Mycotoxin (Kansas State University, 2022).
- Cooperation for Carbon Neutral and Climate Resilient Leap Frogging Development of Asian Countries: Case of Nepal (IGES, 2019-2020).
- Study of the Prevalence of Mycotoxin in Food and Feed Commodities in Western Nepal (USAID, 2017-2019).
- Establishment of end-to-end flood early warning system in Koshi and West Rapti river basins in Nepal (DHM, 2017-2018).
- Adaptation to Climate Change in the Hydroelectricity Sector in Nepal (CDKN, 2015-2017).
- Assessment of Flood Inundation in Lower West Rapti River Basin under the effect of Climate Change (ICHARM, 2011-2012).
- Study on Environmental Change in Rural Asia with a focus on Use of Pesticides and its impact on the health of the Nepalese Population (University of Tokyo, 2007-2008).
- Using CDM Opportunities to Mitigate the Release of Greenhouse Gases by Improving Waste Management Practices (APN, 2007).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Rudra Suwal et. al (2024). Nepal's National Budget Analysis 2024/25. Research Report, NDRI.
- Jaya Kumar Gurung et. al (2024). National Survey on Socio-Economic and Policy Aspects of Tobacco Use in Nepal 2024. Research Report, NDRI.
- Dibesh Shrestha et. al (2023). Rainfall extremes under future climate change with implications for urban flood risk in Kathmandu, Nepal. Internal Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction, Volume 97, 15 October 2023, 103997.
- Ganesh Shah et. al (2021). Evidence-based and Participatory Policymaking in BIMSTEC Countries, In Sreeradha Datta, ed., BIMSTEC: The Journey and The Way Ahead, 69-87, Pentagon Press, New Delhi, India.
- Shankar Shrestha et. al (2020). Leachate Characterization and Management at Sisdol Landfill Site in Nepal. Journal of Development Innovations, 4(1): 119-132.
- Divas B. Basnyat et. al (2020). Post-Flood Assessment of the 2019 Flooding in the Bagmati River Basin, Nepal. Journal of Development Innovations, 4 (1): 20-47.
- Tara Nidhi Bhattarai et. al (2020). Landslide Disaster: Causes and Impact. Case Study: Lidi, Sindhupalchowk, Nepal. Research Report, NDRI.
- NPC, WFP and NDRI (2019). The Food Security Atlas of Nepal.
- NDRI and PRC (2017). Direct Access Financing Climate Actions in Nepal.
- NDRI and UN Women Nepal (2016). A Study on the Impact of Nepal's Earthquake on Women's Livelihood, Housing, Land and Property Rights and Citizenship Rights.
- NDRI (2013). Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation in the Koshi River Basin, Nepal.
- WFP and NDRI (2008). Passage to India: Migration as a Coping Strategy in Times of Crisis in Nepal.



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Government Organizations

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Businesses

FNCCI, Frost & Sullivan, CMS Consulting, Nepal Consult, ITECO Nepal, Fulbright Consulting, Danish Hydraulic Institute, GCAP, Mott MacDonald, ERDMP Pvt. Ltd.

International Organizations

UN Agencies (UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNOPS, UNRCO, UN WFP, UN Women, FAO, WHO, ILO), Asian Development Bank, ADBI, World Bank, USAID, FCDO, ICIMOD, International Development Research Center, Cancer Research UK, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center, Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research, CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture & Food Security, CSIRO, CRDF Global, Climate & Development Knowledge Network, Economic Policy Research Institute, Good Neighbors International Nepal, Helen Keller International, International Centre for Water Hazard & Risk Management, Mercy Corps, Oxfam Nepal, Plan Nepal, Planete Enfants, Population Services International, Practical Action Nepal, Samarth-NMDP, Save The Children, Mott MacDonald, American Red Cross, Kivu International, Swisscontact Nepal, VSO Nepal, ICEM.

Academia

Kathmandu University, Tribhuvan University, Nepal Open University, Asian Institute of Technology-Thailand, University of Tokyo & Hokkaido University-Japan, Padjajaran University - Indonesia, Khulna University of Engineering & Technology-Bangladesh, Kansas State University - USA, University of Edinburgh-UK, Cornell University - USA, University of Massachusetts - USA, Western Sydney University-Australia, Wageningen University & Research-Netherlands.

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

