

NGO group in Nepal

Extension of network to regional level

The NGO group was established as a common forum for sharing, learning and raising awareness among key development NGOs in Nepal on the issue of climate change. Initially, there were ten member organizations in the network. The network has expanded its membership bases to the regional level and now altogether 15 organizations have been involved in the network. The member organizations of the NGO group are listed as below:

- ❖ Local Initiatives for Biodiversity, Research and Development (LI-BIRD)
- ❖ World Vision, Nepal
- ❖ Environment and Public Health Organization (ENPHO)
- ❖ Clean Energy Nepal (CEN)
- ❖ Environmental Camps for Conservation Awareness(ECCA)
- ❖ Environment Study Group (ESG)
- ❖ Machapuchhre Development Organization (MDO)
- ❖ Forum for Rural Welfare and Agriculture Reform for Development (FORWARD)
- ❖ Ecological Service Centre (eco-centre)
- ❖ Nepal Red Cross Society Kaski
- ❖ Multidimensional Agriculture for Development (MADE) Nepal
- ❖ Nepal Water Conservation Foundation
- ❖ Centre for Biodiversity and Environment Conservation (CEBEC)
- ❖ RIMS Nepal
- ❖ Sahamati, Nepal

Capacity building

Orientation cum Training on Climate Change and Community Based Adaptation in Nepal

As the climate change issue is technical and new to all, it is essential to build the capacity of NGOs to sensitize them in mainstreaming the climate change in their plan and program. For this purpose, LI-BIRD organized one day training for the NGO group members, governments' officials, Community Based Organizations in Pokhara on 28th June 2008. The training intended to provide an overview of climate change and community based adaptation to sensitize the professionals of NGO group members to take actions at their level to reduce the impact of climate change.

CLACC: Capacity strengthening in Least developed countries for Adaptation to Climate Change

Action Research

The CLACC fellow has involved in the study of city and climate change. The study basically focused on the impacts of climate change in urban area. The study also prepared a city level maps showing risks and vulnerability to climate change related extreme events and gradual changes.

Awareness Raising

The CLACC fellow has been involved in the awareness raising programmes to civil societies, academic institutions. The awareness raising programmes in which the CLACC fellow involved are summarized as below:

- Involvement of the CLACC fellow in a week long programme of youth organizations on the occasion of International Youth Day. The paper presentation and interaction programmes were the major activities done by CLACC fellow to voice and play active role in local community and raise awareness on climate change.
- Engagement of CLACC fellow in other organizations programmes and events with a purpose to provide the overview of climate change risk, impacts and the individual response to cope with the impacts of climate change.
- Awareness raising programme to school students and teachers with a view to provide them more information about climate change and its impacts

Participatory Video documentary

A 3 minute video about adaptation to climate change or climatic variability is going to be prepared. The documentations of the success stories in community level adaptation to climate change particularly in flood prone and drought prone areas of Nepal have already been done.

Publication of bulletin

NGO Group Bulletin on climate Change Research and Development

Up in Smoke: Time for Action on Climate Change was the first publication produced in 2007. This year the publication title has been changed to *Melting Glaciers*. The bulletin basically has covered the articles, news and events related to climate change issues.

The bulletins have been distributed to different NGOs, INGOs, GOs, CBOs, academic institutions and other relevant stakeholders.

Tiempo Reader Panel

Tiempo Reader Panel has been formed with the purpose of a) raising awareness on climate change issues amongst the relevant stakeholders, b) formation of group of such individuals who meet regularly and give their feedback to improve Tiempo. The panel consists of 20 organizations with 8 specialists. The Reader panel also helped to create opportunities for the individuals or organizations to be actively involved and contributed their efforts through the articles based on their experiences and knowledge.