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Shree Swanra Integrated
Community Development Center
(SSICDC), Gorkha

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Abbreviations:

AFO	:	Admin and Finance Officer
AC	:	Account
BFM	:	Beneficiary Feedback Mechanism
CBDRR	:	Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction
CCA	:	Climate Change Adaptation
CERRP	:	COVID -19 Emergency Response and Recovery Project
CFM	:	Community Feedback Mechanism
CRS	:	Catholic Relief Services
DRR	:	Disaster Risk Reduction
EQ	:	Earthquake
FCRM	:	Feedback Complain and Response Mechanism
FGD	:	Focus Group Discussion
FSL	:	Food Security and Livelihood
FY	:	Fiscal Year
GBV	:	Gender Base Violence
GESI	:	Gender Equity & Social Inclusion
HH	:	Household
HHH	:	Household Head
HR	:	Human Resource
JTA	:	Junior Technical Assistant
JD	:	Job Description
KII	:	Key Information Interview
LDRMP	:	Local Development Risk Management Plan
LEOC	:	Local Emergency Operation Committee
MEAL	:	Monitoring, Evaluation Accountability and Learning
M & E	:	Monitoring and Evaluation
NDRRMA	:	National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Authority
NHRP	:	National Housing Reconstruction Platform
Nos.	:	Numbers
NRA	:	National Reconstruction Authority
PASPs	:	Private Agricultural Service Providers
RM	:	Rural Municipality
SSICDC	:	Shree Swanra Integrated Community Development Center
UNDP	:	United Nations Development Program
WASH	:	Water Sanitation and Hygiene

FOREWORD

I am pleased to share some highlights of our organization Shree Swanra Integrated Community Development Center (SSICDC) Gorkha's program through this Annual Report for the fiscal year 2021/2022 AD. This report presents an overview of SSICDC Gorkha's project implemented in Gorkha District. Last year's SSICDC interventions have focused on Food Security & Livelihood Restoration, Support to create Quality Learning Environment in school, Entrepreneurship development, Value Chain Approach, Climate Smart Agriculture, Income Generation Program, Commercial & Semi Commercial Agro Forestry Production, Bio-diversity Conservation, Climate Change Adaptation, Housing Reconstruction & Rehabilitation, COVID-19 Response, Reducing Vulnerability and increasing resilience of the Earthquake Affected Community, CBDRR, Governance and Gender & Social protection. These interventions have helped most vulnerable and marginalized community's to diversity their livelihood options, manage alternative energy source, reduce risks of disaster's caused by natural and human made calamities, conserve nature, increase income through agriculture value chain. These all projects were implemented in partnership with CRS, melina, UNDP/ODRC and Urban/Rural Municipalities". I would like to thanks for all the partners for their valuable support and partnership.



These achievements would not have been possible without support from the all local Government, Urban & Rural Municipalities, Partners, Government Line Agencies, District Coordinations Community, SSICDC Board and General Members as well as all beneficiaries, participants and community members. So, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all who have always co-operated and support in our journey.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the great effort and dedications of SSICDC staffs for their tireless effort to achieve organizations objectives.

Sita Ram Shrestha

Executive Director

SSICDC, Gorkha

Executive Committee:



*Krishna Kumari Gurung
Chairperson*



*Devi Maya Thapa
Treasurer*



*Shankar Nepali
Vice-Chair*



*Hariman Gurung
Secretary*



*Yam Narayan Shrestha
Member*



*Gyan Maya Gurung
Member*



*Tulashi Babu Shrestha
Member*

Executive Summary

SSICDC Gorkha had close to 200000 people who became its development partners at individual level benefitting community in health hygiene nutrition, entrepreneurship development, education, protection, livelihood and disaster management and response. The deadly earthquake of April 2015 affected the overall aspect of Gorkha and of Nepal as a whole. Being the epicentre of the deadly earthquake, Gorkha was among one of the most affected districts of Nepal. With the help of national and international development partners SSICDC initiated the holistic approach of enhancing the life of people including their wellbeing in shelter, livelihood, DRR, wash, protection, education and strengthening protection mechanism.

In 2021 and 2022 we made our deliberate move towards focusing on the recovery and rehabilitation of the earthquake victims as well as COVID-19 affected community people in consolidation with our national and international partners and donors. We made a strong hand agreement with our various development partners like UNDP, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) & Melina for the recovery of the earthquake victims as well as entrepreneurship development. Our initiative was for long term economic recovery as well as resilient infrastructure with rapid initiation for life saving. SSICDC Gorkha was guided by Zero Tolerance Police, Child protection policy, gender policy, Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM) Guideline, Code of Conduct and financial guideline for ensuring the accountability and transparency.

About the Organization:

Shree Swanra Integrated Community Development Center (SSICDC), Gorkha is a non-political, non-governmental and non-profit making organization established by young and energetic youths in 1987 AD. The organization has been working continuously since its establishment with the poorest, marginalized and downtrodden people who are typically the social outcasts, women, children and the disadvantaged group, in general, of different castes and races. Overall program coverage of the organization are Community Health and Sanitation, Adult and Child Education, Maternal and Child Health, Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation, Women Empowerment, Food Security and Livelihood, Income Generation through Agriculture and Forest Resource Management, Child and Women Rights, Gender and Social Inclusion, Bio Diversity Conservation, Climate Change Adaptation, Entrepreneurship Development, Tourism Development, emergency response and recovery, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and infrastructure developments.

Vision of the Organization:

SSICDC's vision of the future is a society where people's rights are fully respected with opportunities to lead a productive, happy and dignified human life irrespective of their religion, sex & caste and material condition.

Mission of the Organization:

SSICDC works to encourage people's participation in development process through capacity building of the communities. It supports local initiative to create a better future of the rural backward communities. This will be attempted through strengthening the civil society, especially the users groups complementing the local government efforts.

Goal of the Organization:

The overall goal of SSICDC is to contribute meaningfully to improve the quality of life of rural backward communities of Nepal.

Contact of the Organization:

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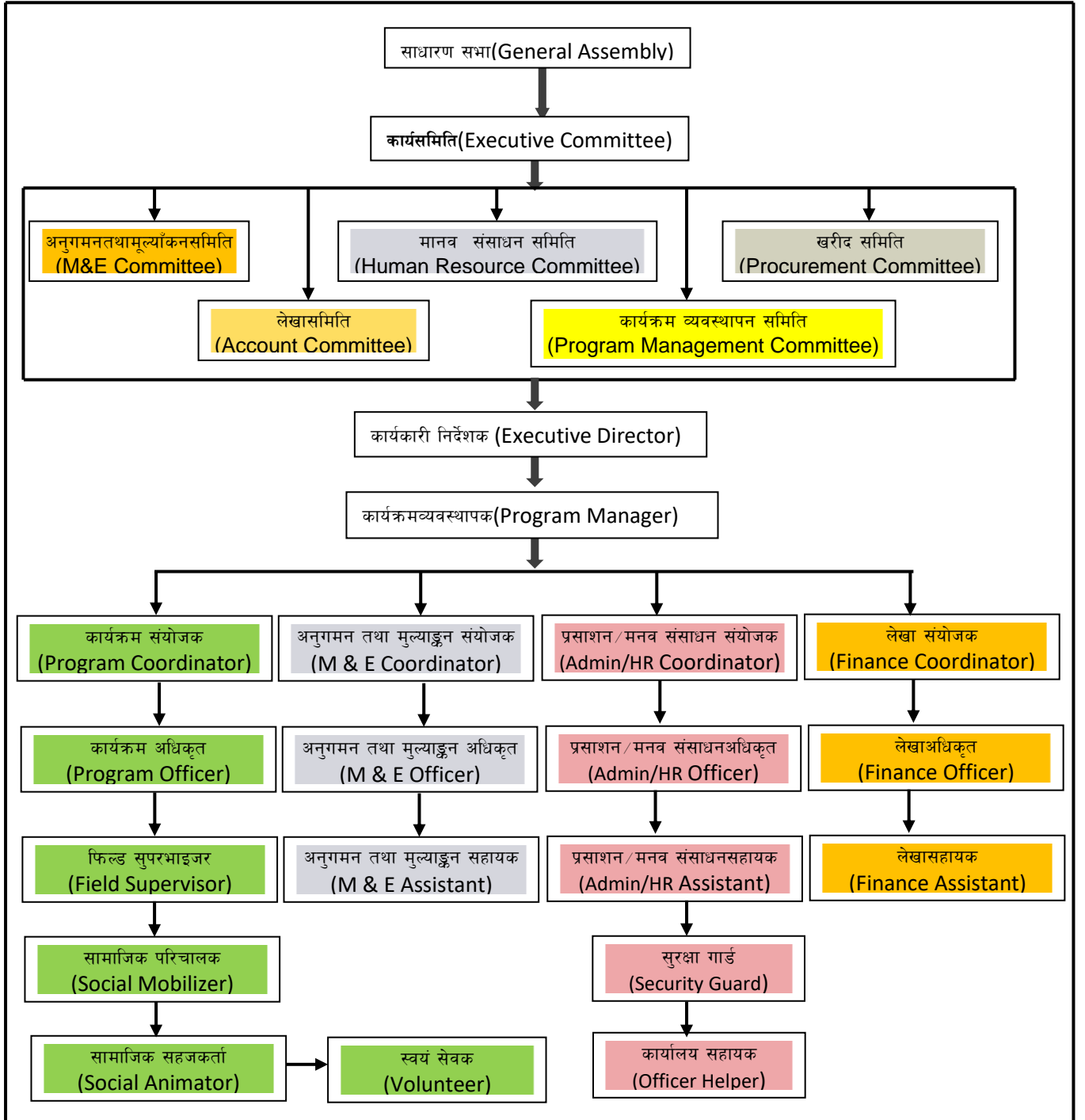
Objectives of the Organization:

The main objectives of the organization are to:

- Conduct Child Rights and Development Programs.
- Conduct women empowerment programs.
- Sustainable agriculture development.
- Lunch programs in human rights and social inclusion.
- Deliver sustainable health and hygiene benefits to the rural people through the provision of safe Drinking water interlinked with low-cost sanitation and health education.
- Support Communities and concern authorities on Disaster Risk Reduction and Management
- Improve rural Infrastructure facilities like foot trails, trail bridges, School Buildings, micro irrigation, micro hydropower, community buildings and rural roads etc.
- Promote saving and credit & Co-operative.
- Entrepreneurship Development
- Develop and promote appropriate technologies in rural area.
- Develop, disseminate and promote renewable energy technologies in rural area.
- Conserve environment and natural resources & encourage its sustainable use.
- Create and prepare good learning environment for quality inclusive education.

- Create the employment opportunities through various income generating and vocational training.
- Organize the awareness program and other different social, economic and educational programs for the upliftment of marginalized group.
- Conduct the programs for the improvement of livelihood focused on tourism, livestock and medicinal herbs.
- Climate change adaptation and Biodiversity Conservation

Organizational Chart:



Our partners:



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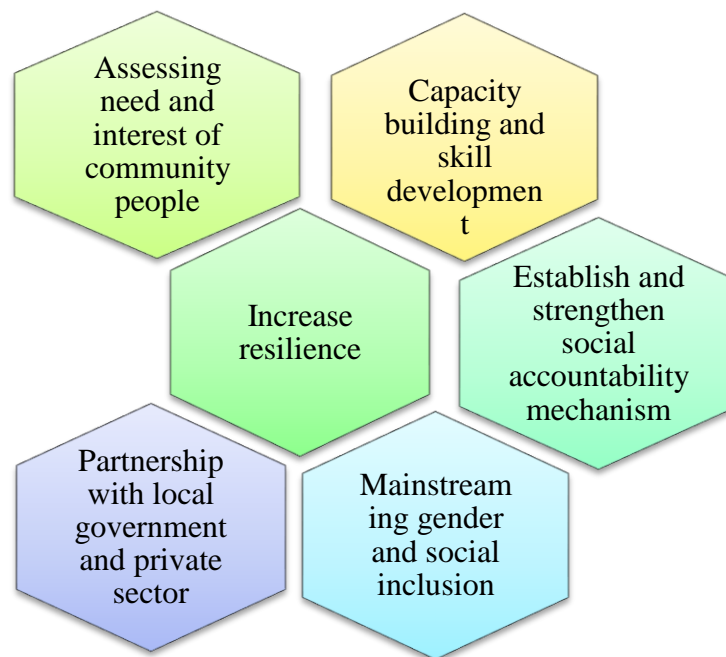
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Directorate for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs



Our approaches of program implementation:



Policies & procedure guiding the organization:

- Organization memorandum
- Admin/financial/HR/ Procurement & property protection policy
- Child protection policy
- GESI policy
- Anti-corruption/ ZERO tolerance
- Common cost policy
- Vehicle operation guideline
- Code of conduct
- Complaint feedback Response mechanism guideline
- M & E guideline

Internal control mechanism of organization for ensuring the accountability & transparency:

- Frequently monitoring of program with checklist
- Transparent financial management system, use of accounting software/ use of AC/Payee system of payment
- Have a provision of independent internal audit committee
- Have a system of periodic staffs appraisal against the given JD
- Have a fair & transparent procurement procedure
- Segregation of duties

Our experience & area of expertise:

- Social/ Community mobilization
- GESI
- Technical (Construction of public infrastructure)
- Facilitation
- DRR/ CCA
- Entrepreneurship development
- Child protection
- GBV
- Education
- WASH
- FSL
- Health & nutrition
- Humanitarian assistance/ Emergency response
- Women empowerment

Project theme of this FY:

1. Food Security & Livelihood
2. Shelter
3. Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)
4. Entrepreneurship development
5. Gender & protection (cross cutting)
6. FCRM/ Governance (cross cutting)

FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD (FSL)

Every person has the right to a standard of living adequate for his or her health and wellbeing. This includes the right to food and livelihood protection. While it is accepted that food security and livelihoods-based approaches are complementary, it is important to recognize that they also have a high level of commonality. Projects were designed to promote agricultural production, provide irrigation and storage facilities and create enabling environment for activity of local markets, support micro-enterprise initiatives, capacity and skill building etc. In short, their goal was to improve a vulnerable community's access to sustainable sources of food and income.

From the impact of COVID-19 most of the livelihood option of community people was affected. Some people lost the employment, small industry was closed, and gap in required input supply for agriculture-based enterprise & have multiple impact. For the economic recovery from the impact of COVID-19 SSICDC Gorkha with the partnership of CRS Nepal implement the cash crops as well as promoting goat rearing practice through breed

improvement. This program must contribute for economic recovery as well as supporting to gain foreign currency by increasing the production & trade of large cardamom, which was the priority program of government of Nepal as per the 15th periodic plan. SSICDC had directly reached the 3520 people from 752 households of cardamom farmers and goat rearing farmers.

Following are the program under the livelihood sector:

S.N	Activities	Unit	Quantity	Location	Remarks
1	Advance refresher training to farmers on production, processing & marketing of large cardamom	Nos.	12	Arughat RM ward no.- 1,2,5,6,7,8 & Bhimsen Thapa RM ward no.- 2&3	From this training 244 HHs of this area benefited & we provide this training 2 times in this fiscal year
2	Construction of cardamom dryer	Nos.	6	Arughat RM 1,2 & 7	In this fiscal year we construct 6 cardamom area in matching grant of municipality, form project resource we construct 5 & 1 from our advocacy & resource of RM as well as community contribution. Form the construction the quality of cardamom increased & able to get competitive price.
3	Breeding buck support to PAsPs	Nos.	43	All wards of Arughat & Bhimsenthapa RM	With matching grant of RM we supported the 43 boar cross breeding buck to the farmers for improvement of breed.
4	Technical training to municipality officials, representatives, private sector actors & stakeholders on scaling up of cardamom	no	1	Arughat & Bhimsen Thapa RM	We organize 2 days technical training to concerned extension staff of RM as well as other related stakeholders on cardamom scale up including the value-chain of cardamom from this training 18 people were benefited.

5	Breeding buck management training to PAsPs	Event	1	PAsPs of Bhimsen Thapa RM 1, 2,5,6,7 & 8.	First round of 2 days breeding buck management training provided to PAsPs from the technical support of National goat research Center Bandipur, from this training 18 PAsPs were benefited
6	One day technical training on goat rearing	Event	17	All wards of Arughat RM & Bhimsen Thapa RM	For increasing the knowledge of small holder farmer, we organize one day technical training in coordination with local government & develop linkage between farmers & RM. Whereas 1838 people of 455 HHs were benefited.
7	Goat value chain assessment	event	1	Gorkha district & nearest market	We conduct study related to goat value chain through the consultant & do KII & FGD for data collection with concerned stakeholders.

Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR):

As a country with diverse typography, complex geology and highly varying climate, Nepal is exposed to many natural and human-induced hazards. In a global comparison, Nepal ranks 4th in terms of climate risk according to the Global Climate Risk Index which assesses the impacts of meteorological events in relation to economic losses and human fatalities. Also, the country ranks 11th in terms of global risk for earthquake occurrence and impact. The country is in top 20 of all the multi-hazard countries in the world.

To minimize the disaster risk & build resilient community we initiate the multiple intervention in coordination with local government & collaboration with multiple development partners. During this period, we provide our technical support to multiple municipalities to develop their plan & policies related to DRR. In partnership with UNDP we produce the awareness raising message & broadcast through different media. We conduct the KAP survey of Arughat RM & Bhimsen Thapa RM related to DRR plan, policies & implementation. We also provide technical support to Gorkha municipality, Siranchowk Rural municipality, palungtar municipality of Gorkha, Pokhara metropolitan city of kaski & putalibazar municipality of

syanga to integrate BIPAD portal on their website in partnership with UNDP. We also do policy advocacy to all other RM of Gorkha district for preparation & implementation of LDRMP as well as establishment of LEOC.

Entrepreneurship Development Support

Now in Gorkha there is an increasing realization about the limitation of traditional model of business and also realize the importance of the enterprising ability of the young people for the continuity and sustainability of the enterprise so that we can achieve the income promotion, improve living standard and economic and social progress. SSICDC Gorkha support communities to established and start the youth lead various enterprise from the support with different funding partners and still continue support them to review business plan, marketing, challenge, opportunities, linkage with Local Government and documentation. Following is the major Enterprise which we follow up this year though we have already handed over to the communities. From this program we provide business enterprise training to 18 females of Ajirkot RM ward no. 3, 4 & 5. We provide them business literacy training as well as 45 days vocational training on Dhaka knitting. We also promote them for registration of business as well as develop linkage between RM & entrepreneur for sustainability of this enterprise

SHELTER

Shree Swanra Integrated Community Development Centre (SSICDC) has given a vital importance to reconstruction of safer shelter in partnership with its international donors in line with the government guideline and policy after the devastating earthquake. We are working for capacity building through orientation, trainings and mass awareness activities on earthquake resistant safe shelter construction and financial and socio-technical support to households for the construction of permanent shelter in support Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and UNDP/ODRC. The main aim is to support beneficiaries in recovery and reconstruction of their shelter according to Government of Nepal reconstruction policies. Similarly, all targeted beneficiaries enhanced their skills and knowledge in building back safer constructions through "on the job" training and mass awareness.

In this FY, SSICDC has implemented the three shelter related projects like CERRP funded by CRS and Socio-Technical Facilitation Services to Support Nepal Housing Reconstruction Project funded by Government of India/UNDP/ODRC.

Under the CERRP we planned to top up support to the vulnerable HHs under enrollment of NDRRMA & NRA as well. We conduct the assessment of HHs recommended by the local government. Under the NHRP we provide socio- technical assistance for construction of HHs of EQ affected family.

S.N	Activities	Unit	Quantity	Location	Remarks
1	Socio technical facilitation for HHs construction	HH	14153	Dharche RM, Arughat RM, Shahidlakhan RM, Gnadaki RM & Gorkha Municipality of Gorkha district	We provide socio technical assistance of HHs for construction of EQ resilient building & make eligible for receiving NRA tranche.
2	Mason training	Nos.		-	We provide on the job training for mason during the construction of HHs
3	Facilitation of distribution of construction completion certificate distribution				We assist RM & NRA for distribution of construction completion certificate of our working area.
4	Assessment of HHs for top up support	HHs	97	Arughat & Bhimsen thapa RM	To identifying the needs of top up support we conduct field level assessment by mobilizing our technical team.

Other activities:

For implementation of this program, we conduct various internal & external meetings through the project period. Mainly we conduct the staff's orientation for develop understanding on project implementation modality, conduct various coordination meeting with local government, stakeholders & conduct baseline surveys for identifying the status of project participant.

Gender and Protection

Gender equality and social inclusion is the major focus areas of SSICDC. It has always given it a priority while implementing projects and also have lunched different activities specifically related to gender equality and social inclusions in community with the partnership of various funding partners and the communities.

As cross cutting issue we sensitize the all-project participant of various program on GESI & safeguarding. In this orientation we clearly aware all about the "do" & "don't do" we also aware about the policies of organization on GESI & safeguarding.

Beneficiary Feedback Mechanisms

SSICDC has a comprehensive **Beneficiary Feedback Mechanism (BFM)** to provide appropriate and accessible community-identified communication channels for targeted beneficiaries, especially marginalized groups, to share both sensitive and non-sensitive feedback on project activities. SSICDC put in place channels to receive and respond to community feedback through the community-identified BFM, including two toll-free numbers (covering the two major national network providers) and face-to-face/community meetings through regular monitoring.

Project staff and the supporting MEAL team responded to non-sensitive feedback within 10 days, either through a phone call or in person, which closes the case. This response may consist of providing a needed explanation, responding to a concern/complaint or making a change as a result of the feedback. During the project period, a cumulative total of 10 feedback messages had been received and all of them are closed.

Expenditure Summary:

S.N	Project Name	Income	Expenses	Expenditure	
1	Covid-19 Emergency Recovery and resilience project (CERRP)	7505720	Program	6238642	
			Operational	1267078	
2	Nepal Housing Recondition Project (NHRP)	1246496	Program	899345.51	
			Operational	347150	
3	Meliana	297920	Program	235300	
			Operational	62620	
Total		9050136		9050135.51	

ANNEX I: Working Areas

<i>Name of the Municipality</i>	<i>Ward No.</i>	<i>No. of projects</i>
Gorkha Municipality	12	1
Arughat Rural Municipality	10	2
Ajirkot Rural Municipality	5	1
Bhimsen Rural Municipality	8	1
Dharche Rural Municipality	7	1
Gandaki Rural Municipality	8	1
Sahid Lakhan Rural Municipality	9	1

ANNEX II: Human Resource

SN	Name of Staff	Position
1	Sita Ram Shrestha	Executive Director
2	DronacharyaTimalsina	Program Manager

4	ParmilaAdhikari	Finance Coordinator
5	Narayan Dhakal	MEAL Officer
6	Premchandra Gotame	Sub-Engineer
7	Rabin Kattel	Engineer
8	Bandana Parajuli	AFO
9	Prativa Shrestha	AFO
10	Chandra Adhikari	Sub-Engineer
11	Shankar Khadka	Sub-Engineer
12	Ishwari Bhatta	Social Animator
13	Devi Prasad Lamichhane	JTA-Livestock
14	Himali Dawadi	JTA-Agriculture
15	Bishnu Gurung	Social Animator
16	Amber Manshign Basnet	Driver
17	Nirmali shrestha	Office support
18	Bimal Shrestha	Social Mobilizer

ANNEX III: Assets Having in SSICDC Gorkha F/Y 2078/079

S.N.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY
1	Laptop Computer	17
2	Office Chair	15
3	Plastic Chair	33
4	Meeting Chair	10
5	Cupboard	28
6	Mobile Phone	25
7	Wooden Table	15
8	Steel Open Rack	13
9	Office Table	18
10	Camera	7
11	Celling Fan	6
12	Printer	7
13	Meeting Table	1
14	Wooden File Rack	7

S.N.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY
19	Office T-Table	6
20	Desktop Computer	2
21	External Hard Disk	2
22	Projector	2
23	Avini Level	2
24	Scanner	2
25	Computer Table	1
26	Generator	1
27	GPS	1
28	Invertor	1
29	Projector Screen	1
30	Scooter	0
31	Sofa set	1
32	Stand-Fan	1

15	Power Bank	10
16	Motorbike	5
17	Steel Table	3
18	Visitor Chair	6

33	Steel Glass Rack	1
34	Water Dispenser	1
35	Scorpio- pik up	1
36	White board	2
37		

Annex: IV: Audit Report of FY: 2078/079

Shree Swanra Integrated Community Development Centre (SSICDC)
Gorkha Municipality -3, Haramtari, Gorkha
As at 32 Ashad, 2079 (16 July, 2022)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Amount in Rupees

9. Grant & Donations -Restricted Fund:

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
CRS Project	7,505,719.61	12,004,974.75
NHRP/ODRC Project	1,246,495.49	26,161,130.95
Meliana Project	297,920.00	-
Covid WASH Project	-	11,359,454.00
CARE/ Co-Design Project	-	15,164,286.00
Total	9,050,135.10	64,689,845.70

10. Grant & Donations -Core Fund:

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Grant Received During The Year- Core Fund	-	-
Total	-	-

11. Restricted Fund Expenditure: (Refer Notes 11A to 11C for Details)

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Grant Expenditure for CRS Project	7,505,719.61	12,004,974.75
Grant Expenditure for NHRP/ODRC Project	1,246,495.49	26,161,130.95
Grant Expenditure for Care/ Co-Design	-	15,164,286.00
Grant Expenditure for UNDP/CILRP	-	9,263,541.00
Grant Expenditure for Covid-WASH	-	11,359,454.00
Grant Expenditure for Covid-Melania Project	297,920.00	-
Total	9,050,135.10	73,953,386.70

ANNEX V: Human Interest Story: 1.

If work hard can grow gold in here soil

Name- Ram Bahadur Gurung

Age- 40 years

Marital Status- married

Family- 4 Members

Address- Aarughat RM -2, Ghamling

Main livelihood- cardamom sapling support & refresher training

Phone No-



Ram Bahadur Gurung, age 40 permanent resident of Aarughat RM ward no.-2, Gorkha is a cardamom farmer. He has got small family size with his wife and 2 children. Due to his low economic status, he had gone for the foreign employment. After returning from the foreign employment of 2 years' tenure, Ram bahadur started farming with the motive that "If work hard can grow gold in here soil". Ram Bahadur states that he got the chance to cultivate 10-12 saplings of cardamom by borrowing from his friends who was planning to procure cardamom sapling from Lamjung and picturesque garden of cardamom that arouse from those saplings motivated him arouse further increased his interest in cardamom cultivation despite having technical knowledge on the crop raising.



Cardamom farm of before Training

Like "finding god in stone" Ram Bahadur who has been extending cardamom cultivation with 1500 cardamom sapling support from Gorkha Recovery and Resilience Project. Cardamom is found to being harvesting these days however I have not been able to achieve optimum production despite of my hard work. I have not received any training; exposure visit and technical know. Now regarding cardamom cultivation till date however I have been raising the crop based on my own knowledge.

"Similarly, SSICDC, Gorkha with the financials support from CRS implemented COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Project provided him one day cardamom refresher training. Which provided technical and practical knowledge regarding cardamom farming and I am happy with that. I feel like I would increase production if such training was provided before cardamom cultivation" says Ram Bahadur.

After the training, ram Bahadur have been utilizing expertise of the training in weed and insect pest management and believe that he will increase cardamom production next year. He also thanked SSICDC and is expecting more technical help in cardamom cultivation.



Cardamom farm of after Training

Human Interest Story: 2.

A brief Introduction of the person

Name- Barja Bahadur Gurung

Age- 45 years

Marital Status- Married

Family- 5

Address- Aarughat RM-1, Dongchet

Main livelihood- Agricultural

Phone No- 9860840256



Barja Bahadur Gurung, age 45, permanent resident of Aarughat RM ward no.-1, Dongchet Gorkha is a cardamom farmer. He has got a small family size with his wife and 3 children.



Due to his low economic status, he had gone for foreign employment. After returning from the foreign employment of 5 years, Barja bahadur started farming with the motivation that "If work hard can grow gold in own soil". He feels that his living status does not change through the traditional agricultural practice thus he is going to use alternative cultivation like high-value crops, large agro production, cash crop, etc. He had planned the cardamom cultivation on his land. At that time, Bajra Bahadur feel like "finding a god searching for a stone" Barja Bahadur who has been extending cardamom cultivation

on one ropani area with 1500 cardamom sapling support from Gorkha Recovery and Resilience Project. At that time Cardamom is found to being harvesting these days however he has not been able to achieve optimum production despite of my hard work. he has not received any training; exposure visit and technical knowledge. At that time Bajra Bahdur has been cultivating cardamom based on his own knowledge.

"Similarly, SSICDC, Gorkha with the financials support from CRS implemented COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Project provided him one day cardamom refresher training Round – I & II. Which provided technical and practical knowledge regarding cardamom farming and he was happy with that. But this year, some problem is seeing on his cardamom farm. He has not been demotivated for this problem. He believes that this problem is one type of the natural disease of plant like COVID pandemic of human life. He feels that he would increase the production next year.

After the training, Braja Bahadur have been utilizing expertise of the training in weed and insect pest management and believe that he will increase cardamom production next year. He also thanked SSICDC and is expecting more technical help in cardamom cultivation.



Information collector: Himali Dawadi/ JTA

Editor: Narayan Dhakal/MEALO

Human Interest Story: 3.

I am confident that the production will increase!!!

Name- Bimaya Gurung

Age- 56 years

Marital Status- married

Family- 9 Members

Address- Aarughat RM -6, Aaprik

Main livelihood- Agriculture

Phone No-



Bimaya Gurung, age 56 years permanent resident of Aarghat RM ward no.-6, Aaprik, Gorkha is a cardamom farmer. He has got small family size with his wife and 2 children. Due to his low economic status, he had gone for the foreign employment. After returning from the foreign employment of 2 years' tenure, Ram bahadur started farming with the motive that "If work hard can grow gold in here soil". Ram Bahadur states that he got the chance to cultivate 10-12 saplings of cardamom by borrowing from his friends who was planning to procure cardamom sapling from Lamjung and picturesque garden of cardamom that arouse from those saplings motivated him arouse further increased his interest in cardamom cultivation despite having technical knowledge on the crop raising.

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Human Interest Story: 4.

A brief Introduction of the person

Name- Gyanu Shrestha

Age- 38 years

Marital Status- Widow

Family- 3

Address- Bhimsen Thapa RM-8, Pipaltar

Main livelihood- Agricultural

Phone No- 9841034398

Household Head: Women

Gyanu Shrestha, age 38, permanent resident of Bhimsen Thapa RM ward no.-8, Pipaltar Gorkha is a goat-rearing farmer. She has a small family size with two children. Previously, her husband as a teacher but died in motorcycle accident. Then she has no any income source for her family livelihood

and living in a low economic status. Then she was depressed thinking about her two children and their education for better future. But coping the situation, she started goat farming but not with proper idea. She keeps goats in her farm but because of lacking technical knowledge, the profitable from goat farming is very low.

During the time, SSICDC, Gorkha has been implementing the COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Project with financial support from CRS in her area. In coordination with Bhimsen Thapa RM she got a chance to connect with the CERRP project and join a goat rearing training. During the training it was provided a technical and practical knowledge regarding goat rearing. Along with the training, Palika and ward recommended her for goat shelter support and she received worth cash Rs. 15,000 for the goat shelter construction. She expanded the shelter size having capacity of 25 goats and planned to expand herd size. The net amount expensed on her goat shed was Rs. 55,000.

She said, "goat rearing is the major occupation I can involve to boost my livelihood and for my children future". She is very happy and thankful to CERRP project for the support she received for her income source.

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Before goat shelter support



After goat shelter support

ANEX VI: Photographs



Breeding buck supported to Min Bahadur Baniya @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-1, Masel.



Breeding buck supported to Anita Gurung @ Aarughat RM-5, Pakhure.



Breeding buck supported to Prem Prasad Bhatta/his wife @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-5, Pakhure.



Female participants of Breeding buck management training @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-1, Ghyampeshal.



Group Photo of Breeding buck management training @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-1, Ghyampeshal.



Facilitating by Narayan Prasad Bhattarai (chief of livestock branch of Bhimsen Thapa RM) on Breeding buck management training @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-1, Ghyampeshal.



participants of Cardamom Refresher training (Round-II) @ Aarughat RM-1, Dongchet.



participants of Cardamom Refresher training (Round-II) @ Aarughat RM-2, Ghamlina.



participants of Cardamom Refresher training (Round-II) @ Aarughat RM-7, Kudule.



Community meeting with safeguarding & FCRM orientation by Narayan Dhakal (MEALO) @ Aarughat RM-2, Ghamlina.



Community meeting with safeguarding & FCRM orientation by Narayan Dhakal (MEALO) @ Aarughat RM-1, Dongchet.



safeguarding & FCRM orientation by Droncharya Timilsina (PC) on breeding buck management training @ Bhimsen Thapa RM-1, Ghyampeshal.



Introductory meeting with newly elected bodies of Aarughat RM @ Aarughat RM.



Construction completed improved cardamom dryer of Aarughat RM-2, Ghamling.



Fadindra Dhital (Chairperson of Ajirkot RM) is providing the closing speech on Closing ceremony of 45 days dhaka knitting training at Aajitkot RM, Bhachchek.



Some photographs of Dhaka Knitting Training at Ajirkot RM, Bhachchek



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