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Radio Programme to help children continue their learning during COVID-19

In order to remotely engage and help children continue their learning during the prolonged nationwide lockdown implemented to contain the second wave of COVID-19, radio programme Hamro Ghar Hamro Paathshala was initiated since 21 May 2021 in collaboration with the Ministry of Science, Education and Technology, Association of Community Radio Broadcasters Nepal (ACORAB) and Community Information Network (CIN).

Initiated as a part of World Vision International Nepal's Nepal COVER (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Project: Phase I, the second season of the radio programme was started during WVI Nepal’s second phase of the COVID-19 response. Six episodes of the programme have been broadcast so far.

Child Participants from Nepal Raise Issues of Vital Registration in Nepal at Regional Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Forum

A regional forum on Regional Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CVRS) was conducted on 29 May 2021, where two child participants from Nepal (Kailali and Lamjung districts) raised the issue of vital registration in Nepal. The two participants have also been a part of WVI Nepal’s consultations on CVRS in Nepal.

More than 150 children from 11 countries attended the forum organised by Child Rights Coalition (CRC) Asia in coordination with WVI’s Asia Pacific Regional Office, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), Bloomberg Philanthropies and Vital Strategies. The Forum was conducted with an aim to serve as a platform for children to explore the importance and challenges around vital registration, especially on birth and death registration around different countries across the world.

Policy Dialogue for Strengthening Child Protection System in Mahottari and Sarlahi

To leverage the process of strengthening child protection system, WVI Nepal collaborated with National Child Rights Council (NCRC) to organise a policy dialogue at Mahottari and Sarlahi districts on 7 and 8 April 2021 respectively. The mayors, deputy mayors and administrative chiefs of WVI Nepal’s working municipalities, representatives of the District Coordination Committees (DCC), the Federation of Nepalese Journalists as well as Civil Society participated in the event. The dialogue successfully endorsed 13 commitments for the promotion and strengthening child protection systems in the two districts.
National Workshop for 10-year Policy and Strategic Action Plan Related to Children
WVI Nepal collaborated with Consortium Nepal and National Child-Friendly Local Governance Forum (NCFLG Forum) to organise a children’s consultation on 20 March 2021 for the development of a 10-year policy and strategic action plan related to children (2078-2087). 50 children from all provinces participated in the event where they engaged in identifying the issues of children; and handed over the identified issues to the Minister of Women, Children and Senior Citizens. The child participants also had a meeting with the then Prime Minister Khadga Prasad Sharma Oli and shared their concerns related to children.

Province II Commits to Ending Child Marriage
The Province 2 government has committed to end the traditional harmful practices including child marriage. In an event titled “Partnership against traditional harmful practices including child marriage” organised by WVI Nepal in partnership with ACORB and CIN on 26 March 2021 in Janakpur, the then Province 2 Internal Affairs and Law Minister Gyanendra Yadav said that the government is committed to end all forms of traditional harmful practices including child marriage in the province. Attended by the provincial government representatives, local government officials, child rights activists, human rights activists, faith leaders and the representatives of community radios among others, the minister highlighted the need of support from everyone to realise the commitment.

Citizen Voice and Action Training of Practitioners Conducted
A Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) Training of Practitioners was conducted on 16-20 February 2021 at Dipayal, Doti. A total of 13 participants from WVI Nepal’s partner NGOs Progressive Youth Society, Bajhang and Community Development Centre (CDC) attended the training. CVA is an evidence-based, social accountability model that operationalises and strengthens relationships of direct accountability among citizens, policymakers and service providers. It tackles the root causes of poverty, vulnerability, marginalisation, exclusion, inequality and poor governance.
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HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Improve child health

WVI Nepal significantly prioritises work in areas of child health, safer motherhood, child nutrition and maternal-child health, and supports the government campaign to promote community-led total sanitation, enhancement of capability and governance of health institutions.

Health Mothers Groups functional and led by Female Community Health Volunteers

554

children under the age of five attended growth monitoring promotion programmes in their communities

18,438

handwashing corners established in the most vulnerable households

3,238

health workers trained on Comprehensive Nutrition Service Interventions (CNSI)

70
The Education Technical Programme of WVI Nepal concentrates to create a quality learning atmosphere for young children; boost learning outcomes; bolster school safety and systems; advance sanitation and hygiene, and promote child friendly teaching and learning in schools as per the standards for the public education system set by the Government of Nepal.

Quality, safe and inclusive basic education is accessible

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- 5,325 self-learning materials provided to children to revitalise learning opportunities during the COVID-19 lockdown
- 4 child, gender and disability-friendly school buildings constructed
- 1,518 most vulnerable children supported to continue their education
- 3,050 students benefitted through Classroom Management support in 120 classrooms of 45 schools
The developmental initiatives of WVI Nepal support the families to bolster their production, income and capabilities so as to help meet the needs of their children through value chain development, skills enhancement of vulnerable youths, training programmes in the area of usage of innovative technologies and superior farming processes, and support packages for communities to enable them to manage disaster-induced risks.

Increase community resilience to disaster and shocks

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32-year-old Najarul stands in front of her retail store (Ghumti) with her son Mohammad. A resident of Sarlahi district, Najarul was supported with goods for her store along with training on managing her store through WVI Nepal’s Agriculture and Economic Development (AED) Project.

| 6,571 | families supported to improve their livelihood |
| 1,731 | families have received agro input to increase their productivity |
| 1,591 | families trained in business and entrepreneurial skills |
| 31 | community-based disaster risk management committees supported for disaster preparedness and response |
Increase protection for vulnerable groups

WVI Nepal works to improve both formal and informal community systems dedicated to the protection of women and children, enhance children’s resilience, and minimise harmful practices against children and vulnerable groups.

- Local governments supported to jointly conduct Child Protection Local Level Context Analysis (CP-LLCA)

- Families of the most vulnerable children received need-based support to address their child protection issue during the COVID-19 pandemic

- Hand washing corners established at different health institutions in Kailali, Bajhang, Doti, Achham, Kathmandu and Jumla districts

- Adolescents have been participating in 34 life and protective skill groups in Achham, Kailali and Kathmandu districts
GRANTS / PROJECTS

EDUCATION
Girl-friendly toilets have been established at eight schools in Kailali and three schools in Sindhuli district along with establishment of four restrooms to decrease the drop out of adolescent girls because of menstruation. Two Out Reach Clinics (ORC) have also been constructed in Sarlahi district.

HEALTH
92% of the schools in Morang and Sunsari districts now are equipped with book corners with over 133,008 books available to over 53,000 students. Similarly, cash support has been extended to 250 most vulnerable girls in Sarlahi district for continuing their education.

PROTECTION
Child Emergency Fund has been established by six local governments and 19 wards of Achham and Sindhuli districts with their own operational guidelines. Likewise, Rautamai Rural Municipality and WVI Nepal along with its partner NGO collaborated to identify 40 (28 girls and 12 boys) influencer adolescents as peer leaders for facilitating the RUPANTARAN sessions. They were trained on the curriculum to enhance their capacity and conducting the sessions. These peer leaders facilitate weekly sessions (90 minutes per week) in 20 different locations benefitting 542 (339 girls and 203 boys) including 240 RCs.

In strategic partnership with ACORAB, WVI Nepal disseminated awareness messages related to ending child marriage through community leaders to reach out to the locals. The radio programmes were facilitated by various community leaders, political personnel, social workers and psychologists on various burning issues such as social stigma, child marriage, healthy habits and safety precautions during the COVID-19 crisis.

Kirtipur Municipality lays groundwork to achieve child-friendly municipality status

Kirtipur Municipality of Kathmandu district expedited a municipality-wide campaign with an aim to declare the municipality as child-friendly. Based on the Child Labour-Free Local Level Declaration Procedure 2020, the municipality formulated the action plan for prevention of child labour. A two-day workshop was organised to prepare final draft of various acts, procedures, and guidelines related to child-friendly development.

The municipality has already made final preparations for the declaration of its largest ward - ward No. 7 as child-friendly. The declaration is being planned for upcoming municipal assembly. The municipality then work to declare other wards gradually. To support these goals, WVI Nepal in collaboration with its partner NGO Child Development Society has been conducting Child Protection programme along with Community Engagement Sponsorship Programmes in the municipality, that include activities to strengthen the child protection systems, facilitation of policy and guideline development, formation of child clubs, child rights committees, assistance in reorganization and capacity building, public awareness campaigns, development of self-defence skills for adolescents, and positive parenting for parents and teachers. Through partnerships with local government and other organisations, WVI Nepal has been contributing to various transformations in communities for children’s well-being. Similar to the achievement at Kirtipur Municipality, WVI Nepal hopes to be a part of the transformation process in other municipalities as well.
We Reached

- **Direct** 113,651
- **Indirect** 713,338
- **Children** 11,243 (Boys 6,746, Girls 4,497)
- **Adults** 102,409
- **Medical Professionals** 1,225
- **4,552,000 Individuals**

We supported

- **1,433** Oxygen cylinders
- **20** Oxygen concentrators
- **1,022** Pulse oximeters
- **100** Oxygen cylinder nozzles
- **555** Oxygen cylinder flow meters
- **500** Oxygen masks
- **756** Respirator Masks
- **6,750** Surgical masks
- **1,225** PPE sets
- **1,012** IR Thermometers
- **150** Hygiene kits
- **129** Anti-septic soap (215 millilitres)
- **53** Sanitisers (5 litres)
- **50** Hospital beds

Our resources

- **468K USD**
- **May 2021**

World Vision has been continuously supporting the Sudurpashchim Province Government in fighting against the Coronavirus during first wave as well as now during the second wave. The handover of these much needed medical support will help protect the lives of COVID-19 infected patients across the province. The Sudurpashchim Government commits to make the most out of the support.

- Chief Minister of Sudurpashchim Province, May 2021

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“As I am her class teacher, I know what time she arrives at school. She has never been late to school since she received the bicycle. Her class teacher teaches English. I’m proud to say that her studies have drastically improved too.” Bindeshwor added.

Sunita’s mother Mira is relieved that her daughter’s struggles to get an education have now lessened. After receiving the bicycle, Sunita joined tuition classes to improve her studies. She makes sure to study at least two hours at home every day. In her free time, she plays with her friends, helps her 14-year-old younger brother with studies or talks her father and older brother, who are away from home for work.

This initiative has motivated Sunita. As a result, she is now encouraged to focus on her studies. Rita wants to continue her studies so that she can fulfill a dream of becoming a teacher. As her favorite subject is Maths, she thinks she could teach it to the students. “Or maybe English, I’m not too sure right now,” Rita says with a beaming smile.

In August 2019, 253 girls studying in grade 7 in Community Schools coming from vulnerable families were provided with bicycles through Strengthening Inclusive Education (SIKAI) Project three months after its commencement. Read the full story [here](#).

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