



Provincial and Local Governance Support Program (PLGSP)

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Program Background



The Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP) is the national flagship Programme of the Government of Nepal (GoN) to build institutional, organizational, and individual capacity at all levels of government, with a special focus on the provincial and local levels. The ultimate goal of the Programme is to attain functional, sustainable, inclusive, and accountable provincial and local governance. The Programme aims to contribute to the delivery of quality services at provincial and local levels, promote local development, and enhance economic prosperity. The program has various governing structures at the federal level and all provincial levels in the country. In each province, there are two governing units viz Provincial Program Implementation Unit (PPIU) and Provincial Center for Good Governance (PCGG). All the PPIU and PCGG are functional to deliver and execute approved activities as per the program outcomes.

Outcome 2-Output: 4, 5, 6&12 by PPIU

Output-wise Financial Progress

Output 4	99.02%
Output 5	71.90%
Output 6	85.95%
Output 12	63.34%
Overall Progress	75.47%



Outcome 2: Provincial and local governments have efficient, effective, inclusive, and accountable institutions.

Under Outcome 2 there are a total of 9 outputs out of which (Output: 4, 5, 6&12) are led by PPIU, whereas (Output 7, 8, 9, 10, & and 11) are led by PCGG. Similarly, Outcome 3 has a total of two outputs 13, and 14 which are solely led by the PCGG. In the FY 2022/23 the PPIU had planned twenty-four (24) activities and, 56 milestones/targets, out of which 21 activities were accomplished.

PPIU Koshi has supported the PG in drafting the four (4) laws including the two (2) model laws for the local level. **Community-Based Tourism Development Policy-2079**, and **Land Management (utilization, development, and regularization) Act-2079** were drafted for the provincial government and have been submitted to OCMCM for the cabinet approval process. Extensive and wider consultation meetings and interactions were held with the federal, and local stakeholders, thematic experts, and provincial government and ministries to draft the required legislation. Similarly, PPIU has provided the technical support and resources to PGs in the formulation of two model laws for LGs, the **Local Government Inter Coordination Act, 2080**, and the **Local Environment Conservation Act, 2080** were drafted and submitted to OCMCM for dissemination to all local government.

To make the provincial administration more effective and functional with the promotion of good governance, transparency, and accountability, PPIU Koshi has done some remarkable job under output 5 which includes the development of **GESI audit guidelines of the province, conducting GESI audit of the Ministries, capacity development of GESI focal person and high-level officials, and orientation on public accountability guidelines**. Similarly, three (3) events of **Public Hearings** activities were conducted for the three (3) mega projects of the Provincial Government. These types of events help to make the PG more accountable and responsible for the projects being implemented and encourage citizen engagement in the development works. To bring the synergy effect in the governance programs, manage the program duplication, and bring under governance and capacity development framework in the province a **review and sharing** workshop was organized with the development partners working under the Koshi Province. As an outcome of the workshop, an online reporting system has been developed to facilitate the registration and reporting of annual activities of DPs to the provincial government. To strengthen the province's public administration with support in the major thematic areas like service delivery, data management, PFM, civil service management, etc. the PPIU has planned a total of 6 activities in its PASIP. Digitization in the Province Public Service Commission with the establishment of the **Optical Mark Reader system** in its result assessment administrative process. Extension of the service of the **Office Automation System** to all the Province agencies, Province Ministries, and agencies with a total of 13 institutions have been using OAS as a common integrated digital platform for information exchange, document exchange, and file registration. Roll out of the **Province Personnel Information System (PIS)** has helped the OCMCM in the management of province civil service.

Rollout of the Provincial FRA system has been accomplished with some inputs to be addressed in the online portal. The province ministries and agencies have done their FRA assessment in the last FY, with the rollout of the FRA portal from now onwards PGs will be using the portal for the assessment.

Preparation of the **Management audit guideline** and orientation on the **Internal control system** were some good initiatives by PPIU in strengthening the province’s public administration.

A total of 10 scheme at 9 local government is being implemented under the **Innovative Partnership Fund Program (IPF)**. The selected schemes under the IPF program were mainly focused on local economic development, and digitization of Service Delivery (Promotion of local tourism, Agriculture, Digitization of service delivery, and Entrepreneurship). The program implemented at Suryodaya Municipality, Illam, and Dharmadevi Municipality, Sankhuwasabha focus on the promotion of local tourism and hence increase the local economic activity of the target beneficiaries of the project. The IPF project implemented at Triyuga Municipality, Udayapur targets to uplift the overall socio-economic development of one of the minor marginalized **Musahar** communities named “**Sadaha Samuha**”. Whereas the rest program aims to digitize the service delivery with the adoption of ICT in its administration and hence promote good governance.

Above all the programs supported by PPIU and PCGG have also been gradually transforming provincial and local governments into inclusive and accountable institutions. These activities will deepen institutional reforms for better provincial and local governance. Ten schemes of IPF programs will come into operationalization from next FY which will introduce innovation in institutional and governance reforms at local government levels. This will help to generate future innovations and inputs for policy reform.

Outcome 2 and Outcome 3



Outcome 3: Elected representatives and civil servants at provincial and local governments have the capacity and serve citizens to their satisfaction.

PCGG have organized different capacity development training/orientations to provincial government staffs for improving skills and knowledge finally to develop the capacity on better service delivery and better infrastructure of good governance at provincial institutions. The major six training have been organized for provincial staffs in the area of **e-GP, budgeting planning and result based monitoring, MTEF preparation, parliamentary system and secretariate management, CD ToT for PCGG staffs, motivational and behavioral change and localization of CoC for preventing sexual harassment.**

Within this FY, PCGG also supported local government staffs and elected representatives to develop the capacity in the areas of **application of IEE, EIA provisions, budgeting planning and result based monitoring system, operation of VERSP-MIS, IT, pre service/induction to new govt. staffs, CD plan and LISA result management in local government.**

After the second term of election at local level, majority of elected representative are new and required wider knowledge and skills to operate the local government effectively. In order to enhance the capacity of the local representatives, PCGG also have supported **constitutional & LoAG provisions orientation and service delivery system to ward members of 137 local government.**

Above accomplished training and orientation program have provided functional capacity of 1745 provincial and local government staffs, 1342 elected representatives and 61 freelance and experts, where they ultimately can serve the citizens to their satisfaction. The trained provincial and local leaders and staffs are involved to utilized their acquired knowledge to their optimum commitment to serve the citizen.

