Report of orientation program on parliamentary Scrutiny on 2-3rd February, 2024.

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<u>REPORT</u>

2 DAYS' SORIENTATION PROGRAM ON PARLIAMENTARY SCRUTINY FOR THE MEMERS OF KRANALI PROVINCE ASSEMBLY

2ND ⁻3RD FEBRUARY, 2024

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1. BACKGROUND:

A 2-day orientation program, jointly organized by Karnali Provincial Assembly, the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministries (OCMCM)/Provincial and Local Government Support Programme, and UNDP/Parliamentary Support Programme (PSP), took place on February 2-3, 2024, at Hotel Siddhartha in Surkhet.

This program, facilitated by expert Mr. Meen Biswokarma, Member of parliament / lawyer and Mr. Sudharsan Khadka, the Secretary of the Federal Parliament of Nepal, aimed to enhance the understanding of parliamentary scrutiny. The formal event was chaired by senior provincial assembly member Hon. Himkmat Bahadur Bista, with the Acting Principal Secretary of Karnali Provincial Government, Mr. Ananda Saru, as the chief guest.

The opening ceremony, organized by Gita Bahahi Magar, Section Officer of OCMCM, with assistance from the OCMCM/PLGSP & PSP team, marked the commencement of the program.

Nineteen members from Karnali Provincial Assembly participated, including ten females, making up 53% of the total attendees. This significant female participation aims to amplify diverse voices in the formulation and implementation of government laws, policies, plans, programs, projects, and budgets.

Additionally, ten officials from Karnali Provincial Assembly, OCMCM/PLGSP & PSP, participated, complementing the Assembly members in the law-making, oversight, parliamentary scrutiny, and monitoring processes.

2. OBJECTIVES:

- Conduct an orientation session on the Parliamentary Scrutiny process for Provincial Assembly members.
- • Enhance the capacity of Provincial Assembly members by fostering knowledge, skills, and aptitude in parliamentary scrutiny.

3.OBSERVATION DURING THE PROGRAMME

- The collaborative efforts of Karnali Provincial Assembly, the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers (OCMCM)/Provincial and Local Government Support Programme (PLGSP), and UNDP/Parliamentary Support Programme (PSP) promote a collective and synergic approach to resource management and quality delivery.
- The organizing team demonstrated a proactive, dedicated, and results-oriented approach.
- The training content was relevant for enhancing the knowledge, skills, and aptitude of assembly members, as indicated by their positive feedback.
- The training methodology and delivery were interactive and participantfriendly, featuring issue-based group discussions and sharing.
- The composition of facilitators played complementary roles in both theoretical and practical aspects, with experienced and authentic personalities contributing to the sessions.
- The training session facilitated two-way communication in a participant-friendly manner.
- The program was highly interactive and fruitful.
- Devi Oli and Kalyani Khadka shared valuable insights from their first provincial assembly experiences, offering interesting and meaningful learning.
- Mr. Meen Biswokarma and Sudarsan Khadka, Secretary of the Federal Parliament of Nepal, delivered relevant content in a simple and logical manner, which was highly beneficial.

4. THE MAJOR OUTPUTS:

- The combined efforts of Karnali Provincial Assembly, the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers (OCMCM)/Provincial and Local Government Support Programme (PLGSP), and UNDP/Parliamentary Support Programme (PSP) foster a collaborative and synergistic approach to resource management and ensuring quality delivery.
- The organizing team exhibited a proactive, dedicated, and results-oriented approach.
- The training content proved to be pertinent in enhancing the knowledge, skills, and aptitude of assembly members, as evidenced by their positive feedback.

- The training methodology and delivery were interactive and participantfriendly, incorporating issue-based group discussions and sharing.
- The facilitators played complementary roles in both theoretical and practical aspects, with experienced and authentic personalities contributing to the sessions.
- The training session facilitated two-way communication in a participantfriendly manner.
- The program was highly interactive and productive.
- Devi Oli and Kalyani Khadka shared valuable insights from their initial experiences in the provincial assembly, providing interesting and meaningful learning.
- Mr. Meen Biswokarma and Sudarsan Khadka, Secretary of the Federal Parliament of Nepal, delivered relevant content in a straightforward and logical manner, proving highly beneficial.

PHOTOS



Figure 1 Mr. Men Bishowokarma interacting with Karnali Provincial Assembly members while session facilitation .



Figure 2 Inclusive Participation in the parliamentary scritunity programme



Figure 3 Secretary of OMCMC as well as Provincial Program Director (PPD) of PLGSP Mr. Ananda Saru is speaking in Opening ceremony of the Program.



Figure 4 The Assembly members shared his experiences on parliamentary activities undertaken .