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# 1. BACKGROUND

The Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP) is a national framework designed to strengthen institutional, organisational, and individual capacities at all levels of government in Nepal, with a special focus on provincial and local levels. Following its initial phase (2019-2023), the need for an extension and revision was recognized to make the program more effective, efficient, and responsive to the evolving needs of federalism. As a result, an extensive reprogramming process was undertaken, leading to the initiation of the "Provincial and Local Governance Strengthening Programme." This revised program will be implemented over five years, from July 2024 to July 2029.

# 1.1. Rationale for Reprogramming:

The reprogramming of PLGSP was driven by the evolution of federalism in Nepal and lessons learned from the initial phase. The main reasons include:

- 1. Enhancing ownership and accountability of provincial and local governments in line with Nepal's devolved governance structure.
- 2. Updating the Theory of Change to reflect the evolving federalism and the need for a more targeted approach toward strengthening governance.
- 3. Strengthening institutional and organisational capacities at all three tiers of government while improving intergovernmental collaboration mechanisms.
- 4. Focusing on embedding 'inclusion transformation,' promoting Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) in local government service delivery.
- 5. Adjusting the Results Framework to clarify program interventions and results at different governance levels, aligning them with federalism objectives.

# 1.2. Main Highlights Of Reprogrammed PLGSP

Following are some of the major highlights of the reprogrammed PLGSP:

- 1. **Governance Structure:** Reprogrammed PLGSP has revised governance and accountability mechanisms to grant provinces more control over program implementation, ensuring it meets their evolving needs.
- 2. **Focus on Capacity Building:** Technical Assistance (TA) is more flexible and dynamic, with a reduction in fixed positions (from 109 to 83) and an emphasis on transformative support at federal and provincial levels.
- 3. **Enhanced Federal Component:** Greater focus on the enabling environment for federalism, including legislative capacity and intergovernmental relationships.
- 4. **Continued Support for Innovation:** The Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) will continue with revised guidelines to support local governments in developing innovative initiatives.

5. **Financial Commitment:** Approximately USD 85 million in unspent funds, with the possibility of additional funding from new development partners, establishes a solid basis for achieving program objectives over the next five years.

# 1.3. Outcomes of Reprogrammed PLGSP

- 1. **Outcome 1:** Federal level government institutions and inter-governmental mechanisms are fully functioning in support of federal governance as per the Constitution.
- 2. **Outcome 2:** Provincial governments have efficient, effective, inclusive, and accountable institutions and organisations.
- 3. **Outcome 3:** Local governments have the capacity for good governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

# 1.4. Outputs

The Outputs are reduced from 14 (of PLGSP phase-I) to 9, the outputs are structured to align with the three outcomes:

#### Under Outcome 1:

- 1. GESI-sensitive legislation, policies, and strategies at the federal level.
- 2. Strengthened federal horizontal and vertical intergovernmental mechanisms.
- 3. Inclusive service delivery supported by tools and systems for capacity development.

#### Under Outcome 2:

- 4. Strengthened provincial institutions, organisations, and capacities.
- 5. Institutionalised horizontal and vertical collaboration across local and provincial governments.
- 6. Enhanced capacity of Provincial Research and Development Academies (PRDAs) to deliver demand-driven services.

#### Under Outcome 3:

- 7. Strengthened local government institutions, ensuring accountability and responsiveness.
- 8. Effective, sustainable, and inclusive local government service delivery.
- 9. Institutionalised civic engagement, social inclusion, and accountability mechanisms.

#### 1.5. Thematic Streams

The reprogrammed PLGSP introduces four thematic streams to guide program interventions:

- 1. Inclusive Federalism, Acts, Regulations, Policies, and Strategies
- 2. Collaboration within and across Federal Institutions and Governments, and Civic Engagement

- 3. Supportive Systems and Tools for Provincial and Local Governance, including Inclusive Federalism Capacity
- 4. Capacity Development and Inclusive Transformation

This streamlined approach allows for a more targeted, flexible, and responsive implementation of federalism in Nepal, emphasising capacity building, intergovernmental collaboration, and inclusive governance.

# 2. ANNUAL STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND BUDGET (ASIPB) 2024/25

The Annual Strategic Implementation Plan and Budget (ASIPB) for FY 2024/25 has been prepared during a transitional phase for the Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP). The preparation was done in the transitional year when the reprogramming processes were still underway. Given that the new Program Document (ProDoc) for reprogrammed PLGSP was not finalized, the drafting of this ASIPB was conducted amidst uncertainties regarding the new program's objectives, outcomes, outputs, and governance structures.

The ASIPB for FY 2024/25 is thus interim in nature and was developed over a short period to facilitate the continuity of critical program activities during this transition year. Despite these challenges, the preparation of ASIPB involved a bottom-up and consultative process, taking into account the evolving priorities at the federal, provincial, and local levels.

# 2.1. ASIP Preparation

The preparation of the ASIPB involved a bottom-up, consultative process, which included the following key steps:

- 1. **Review of Previous ASIP:** An assessment of ASIP 2023/24 was conducted to identify ongoing activities that needed to continue in the current fiscal year, ensuring consistency and alignment with the program's evolving priorities.
- 2. **Preparation and Dissemination of P-ASIPB Preparation Guideline:** The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) developed and shared a "P-ASIPB Preparation Guideline" with provinces, outlining the focus areas, budget allocations, and priority outputs. This guideline emphasized outcomes 2 and 3 for provincial and local governments, providing a clear framework for the preparation of Provincial ASIPBs (P-ASIPBs).
- 3. **Needs Assessment and Planning:** Due to time constraints, quick meetings were held at both federal and provincial levels, involving ministries, agencies, LG Associations, and local government representatives. Inputs from diverse stakeholders, including women and marginalised groups (e.g., Dalits, disadvantaged ethnic communities, and persons with disabilities), were incorporated to ensure the ASIPB's inclusivity and responsiveness to local needs.
- 4. **Provincial Integration and Review:** Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs) and Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) facilitated the preparation of P-ASIPBs, integrating activities into the Provincial Line Ministry Budgetary Information System (PLMBIS). This comprehensive system ensured a structured approach to budget preparation at the provincial level.
- 5. **Integration of Federal-level and Provincial ASIPBs:** The PCU integrated the Federal-level ASIPB (F-ASIPB) with the P-ASIPB activities, aligning them under the program's 3

outcomes and 9 outputs. This integrated approach ensured that the priorities of the PCU, PPSUs, and PRTAs were accurately reflected in the overall ASIPB for FY 2024/25.

# 2.2. Guiding Principles of ASIPB 2024/25:

The ASIPB for FY 2024/25 has been prepared based on the following guiding principles: The "P-ASIPB Preparation Guideline" developed by PCU and disseminated for preparation, is available in the Annex.

- 1. **Support Devolved Governance:** Facilitate the implementation of a devolved federal system by aligning policies, legislation, and program activities with the new roles and mandates of provincial and local governments.
- 2. **Strengthen Intergovernmental Collaboration:** Promote coordination and cooperation among federal, provincial, and local governments, enhancing intergovernmental mechanisms to address challenges and foster a more inclusive and effective governance structure.
- 3. **Promote Inclusivity and GESI Mainstreaming:** Ensure that all activities and interventions are GESI-sensitive, embedding gender equality and social inclusion at the provincial and local levels to deliver equitable and accessible public services.
- 4. **Participatory and Transparent Planning:** Adopt a participatory approach in designing and implementing activities, incorporating inputs from diverse stakeholders, including women, marginalized groups, and local government representatives, to ensure transparency and accountability.
- 5. **Align with Reprogramming Process:** Consider the ongoing reprogramming of PLGSP into reprogrammed PLGSP, ensuring flexibility and adaptability in implementation to accommodate evolving governance priorities and the transition to the new program structure.

# 2.3. Major Focus of ASIPB

Guided by the ASIPB preparation guidelines and the ongoing reprogramming process, the major focus of reprogrammed PLGSP for FY 2024/25 will be:

- 1. **Facilitate the Transition to reprogrammed PLGSP:** Support the implementation of key activities aligned with the reprogramming process, ensuring that the program remains responsive to the evolving needs of federal, provincial, and local governments.
- 2. Capacity Strengthening of Provincial and Local Governments: Focus on building institutional capacities of Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) and Local Governments to support efficient, effective, and GESI-responsive service delivery.
- 3. **Strengthen Intergovernmental Mechanisms:** Enhance coordination between federal, provincial, and local governments by supporting dialogue programs, workshops, and policy harmonization efforts that reflect the revised program objectives.

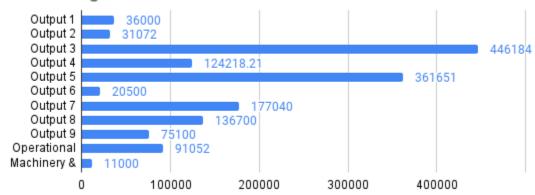
- 4. **Prioritize Key Activities:** Continue and complete ongoing activities initiated in the previous year, including digitization initiatives, financial governance assessments, and capacity-building efforts, while avoiding the initiation of new Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) activities for this fiscal year.
- 5. **Focus on Inclusion and Good Governance:** Support activities that promote GESI-friendly service delivery and institutionalize civic engagement and social inclusion mechanisms, ensuring that governance at all levels remains inclusive, transparent, and accountable.

#### 3. BUDGET FOR ASIPB 2024/25

The total budget allocated for the Annual Strategic Implementation Plan and Budget (ASIPB) for FY 2024/25 of reprogrammed PLGSP stands at NPR 1,510,517.21 (in thousands). The budget has been distributed across various outputs, provinces, program units, and levels of government to support the successful implementation of reprogrammed PLGSP.

**Output-wise Allocation:** The budget has been divided among nine key outputs and operational expenses. The largest allocation goes to Output 3, with NPR 446,184 (in thousands), focusing on strengthening tools and systems for capacity development. This is followed by Output 5, which receives NPR 361,651 (in thousands) for promoting intergovernmental collaboration and civic engagement. Output 4, focusing on strengthening provincial institutions and capacities, is allocated NPR 124,218.21 (in thousands). Other significant allocations include Output 7 (NPR 177,040 in thousands) for enhancing local government institutions and Output 8 (NPR 136,700 in thousands) for improving basic service delivery systems. Operational expenses are also covered with a budget of NPR 91,052 (in thousands).

#### Output wise budget distribution



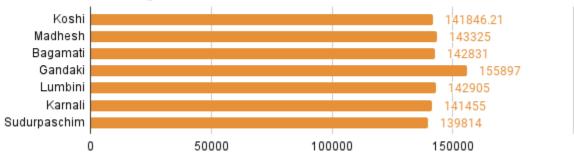
**Province-wise Allocation:** Each province has been allocated specific budgets for the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs) and Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) to carry out activities tailored to their regional needs.

PCU	Koshi	Madhesh	Bagamati	Gandaki	Lumbini	Karnali	Sudurpaschim
502444	141846.21	143325	142831	155897	142905	141455	139814

The highest overall allocation is provided to Gandaki Province, totaling NPR 165,769 (in thousands), split between NPR 114,147 (PPSU) and NPR 51,622 (PRTA). Similarly, Koshi Province has proposed NPR 144,846 (in thousands), with NPR 74,146 for PPSU and NPR 70,700 for PRTA. Other provinces, including Madhesh, Bagmati, Lumbini, Karnali, and Sudurpaschim,

also planned substantial allocations to support their governance and capacity-building initiatives, ensuring balanced development across all regions.





**PPSU and PRTA-wise Allocation:** The total budget for the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs) across all provinces amounts to NPR 677,000.21 (in thousands). In contrast, the Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) have a combined allocation of NPR 534,470 (in thousands). This division underscores the emphasis on both operational support for ongoing programs and training initiatives to build long-term capacity at the provincial level.

**PCU and provinces allocation:** At the federal level, the Program Coordination Unit (PCU) has been allocated NPR 502,444 (in thousands) to support overall program coordination, monitoring, and implementation. The combined provincial allocation, encompassing both PPSUs and PRTAs, amounts to NPR 1,008,073.21 (in thousands), highlighting the program's focus on devolving resources and responsibilities to provincial governments in alignment with the principles of federalism.

# BUDGET SUMMARY OF ASIP 24/25 (in NPR '000)

Outputs		PC	:U		PPSU						PRTA								
	GoN	JFA	TA	Total PCU	Koshi	Madhesh	Bagamati	Gandaki	Lumbini	Karnali	Sudurpaschim	Koshi	Madhesh	Bagamati	Gandaki	Lumbini	Karnali	Sudurpaschim	Total
Output 1	0	2700	0	2700	32100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1200	0	0	0	0	0	36000
Output 2	0	31072	0	31072	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31072
Output 3	19856	426328	0	446184	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	446184
Output 4	0	0	0	0	20050.21	12800	1000	24518	6500	11600	19350	0	1600	4500	8900	8400	0	5000	124218.21
Output 5	0	0	0	0	5850	52800	73551	79000	79300	57200	13950	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	361651
Output 6	0	0	0	0	3700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2600	2800	8200	1000	0	2200	20500
Output 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2400	0	0	0	7800	36800	35800	14900	24600	29140	25600	177040
Output 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000	0	32000	20400	6500	7100	6600	18000	44100	136700
Output 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29200	2800	5000	800	6000	12300	19000	75100
Operational	22488	0	0	22488	5000	5025	5480	6529	5483	3785	4632	4346	3500	6600	1850	4422	5930	5982	91052
Machinery & Equipment	0	0	0	0	1000	2000	0	1700	0	500	0	800	1800	1600	0	600	1000	0	11000
Sub Total	42344	460100	0	502444	67700.21	72625	80031	114147	91283	75085	37932	74146	70700	62800	41750	51622	66370	101882	
<b>Grand Total</b>	al 502444				538803.21						469270								

# 4. ASIPB PRIORITIES

#### 4.1. ASIPB Priorities of PCU

#### **Priority 1: Strengthening Intergovernmental Coordination and Administrative Federalism**

The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) prioritizes enhancing coordination between the federal, provincial, and local governments to support the effective implementation of administrative federalism. This includes dialogue programs, workshops, and intergovernmental meetings to ensure smooth collaboration on key governance issues. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Inter-Governmental Dialogue Program for Drafting and Harmonization of Civil Service (Federal and State) and Local Service Acts
- Program on inter-governmental coordination for implementing administrative federalism across all three levels of government
- Dialogue program on the interrelationship between the federal, provincial, and local governments, including the Public Accounts Committee's effectiveness in law-making

#### Priority 2: Improving Governance, Accountability, and Financial Management Systems

PCU aims to improve governance practices, accountability, and financial management systems across all levels of government. This includes optimizing auditing systems, reviewing financial governance results, and enhancing the reserve fund management system in collaboration with the Financial Comptroller General's Office. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Conduct workshop to revise and optimize the procedures of the auditing system (LISA, FRA, LED, GESI, GRB, GBV, etc.) at the local level
- Enhancing the reserve fund management system through the Financial Comptroller General's Office (FCGO) at the provincial and local levels
- Analyzing the financial governance assessment results of provincial and local governments

### Priority 3: Strengthening GESI Mainstreaming and Inclusive Governance

Promoting Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) is a key priority for PCU. Through training, workshops, and studies, the unit aims to foster inclusive governance and ensure that public service delivery is GESI-friendly. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Study on GESI-friendly basic service delivery to local areas
- Organize workshops/conferences on creating a safe, dignified, and inclusive workplace
- Conduct ToT training and orientation on GESI/GRB, Periodic Plan, and other contemporary issues

#### **Priority 4: Enhancing Information Management and Digital Governance**

PCU is committed to strengthening information management and digital governance systems across provincial and local governments. This includes upgrading online systems, supporting

interoperability, and providing ongoing technical support to ensure sustainability. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Support MoFAGA in integration and upgrading online systems
- Enhance the information management system, online system, and infrastructures to improve interoperability at all government levels
- Revise procedures and the online system for DCC monitoring and LG progress review

### 4.2. ASIPB Priorities Koshi Province (PPSU and PTRA)

PPSU Koshi province has set the priorities to attend results of the program and to address the graduated need of the provincial ministries and agencies. More resources were allocated to strengthen the organizational and institutional capacity of the provincial government. Following are the key prioritized areas of PASIP 2024.25

#### Priority Area 1: Support to formulate and reviewing of existing laws of province government

PPSU Koshi province will focus on providing support in drafting laws, and policies under concurrent and exclusive rights in wider consultation with stakeholders. Following are the major activities planned under this priority areas.

- Support to draft provincial laws on exclusive and concurrent right of province
- Support to provincial government in Revision of provincial act and regulations
- Support to draft Infrastructure policy of provicial government
- Support to revise FRRAP guideline of Province.
- Formulation of e-Governance related policy and laws for PLGs of Koshi province

# Priority 2: improving intergovernmental relationship and coordination between province and local government

PPSU has made it a priority to improve intergovernmental relationship and coordination between province and local government through strengthening different governing structures and developing capacity of individual representatives and officials. The following are the major activities undertaken for this priority area.

- Interaction between elected women representatives of provincial assembly and local government (deputy) on judiciary work performance of province.
- Support to disseminate program achievements through media engagement
- Organize review and coordination meeting with Development Partners
- Conduction of Provincial Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting
- Conduction of Provincial Council (PCC) Meeting and support to sectoral committee
- Joint Monitoring visit to LG

- Support to organize Provincial Administrative Coordination Council Meeting and dissemination of decisions.
- PG and LG interaction on implementation status of federalism and issues on IGR (revenue management, local economic development and employment generation)
- Implementation of IPF schemes in LG
- Organize interaction among Provincial DCC Federation, NARMIN and MUAN to ensure effective collaboration

#### **Priority 3: GESI Mainstreaming and strengthening PRTA**

GESI mainstreaming will continue to be prioritized, including capacity development of elected representatives and strengthening of PRTA. Under this priority area, following are the major activities planned by PPSU for this FY.

- GESI Sensitive Planning and Budgeting Orientation to PA members
- GESI Mainstreaming (GRB, GBV, Workplace Harassment)
- GESI audit in provincial ministries
- Establishment of Virtual training hall and digital library in PRTA
- Develop PRTA's 5 years strategy/periodic plan
- Interaction programme with provincial training centres

# Priority 4: Strengthening digital governance tor improved public administration and service delivery system in province

The digitization of administrative and service delivery system of the provincial and local government is finally contribute to strengthening e-Governance. PPSU has planned following activities towards strengthening digital governance system.

- Formulation of Governance related policy and laws for PLGs of Koshi province
- Support in establishment and rollout of government office automation and other system, website and services delivered from the Department of Information Technology
- Capacity development training to PLGs staffs on digital technologies areas like: -office management tools, data management, security audit, Gov.cloud, and cyber security
- Province-level interaction program (with elected representatives of LGs) on areas of coordination in the field of IT, e-Governance, and data management between three levels of government
- Update the PPSC online recruitment system (integration with e-payment system)
- Support to establish a digital platform for information sharing among three tiers of government
- Support to disseminate program achievements through media engagement

#### Priority 5: Capacity Development for elected representatives and government staff

Under the capacity development of the provincial government PPSU has planned the following activities to contribute to improve the capacity of institutional and individual (elected representatives and staff) contributions to strengthening of PFM, administrative, accountability and service delivery system of the province.

- Development and Orientation of Internal control system Manual / Guideline of PGs
- Orientation program to implement CD plan of province
- RBM and Evaluation Management Training to PG Staffs
- Orientation to PG staffs on Annual Planning and budgeting synchronizing to Periodic Plan
- Conduct training on Public Procurement Management, e-bidding, Procurement Planning etc. for PG's Officials
- Orientation and support in evaluation programme on Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) of PGs
- Support to revise FRRAP guideline of Province.
- Support to prepare O&M of provincial ministries and agencies
- Support to prepare ToR of all sections of ministries and agencies.
- Support to Institutionalize Management audit of provincial ministries
- Conduct Workshop on Audit arrears settlement process for DCC and PLGs
- Support in implementation of Revenue Improvement Action Plan of PG
- Support to institutionalize the Project Bank at Province level
- IPF Orientation to local government

#### 4.3. ASIPB Priorities Madhesh Province

The Madhesh Province Government has given a priority to strengthen the cooperation and coordination with the local governments and has adopted a policy to contribute in the governance systems and procedure of all three tiers of governments and strengthen cooperative federalism. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Activity 5.3: Strengthening of Provincial Coordination Council (facilitate/provide logistic support in organizing meeting and support in the implementation of decisions)
- Activity 4.1: Formulate/review Acts, regulations and guidelines of PGs
- Activity 5.4: Organize meeting for Provincial Coordination Committee of PLGSP

Strengthening the federalism, social justice and balanced development is the priority of this budget. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Activity 5.40: Organize interaction Workshops on Inter-Governmental Relations (IGR)
- Activity 5.14: Organize coordination meetings with the Thematic Committees of the Madhesh Province Assembly, DPs, Provincial and Local Governments

The Province Government of Madhesh has emphasized on ensuring transparency with the digitalization of public service delivery and simplifying the process and reducing the cost. The

Madhesh Province Government has further allocated a budget for the paperless and faceless service delivery with the development and expansion of information and technology. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Activity: Support provinces in establishment and rollout of government office automation and other system, website and services delivered from the Department of Information Technology.
- Activity: Province-level interaction program (with elected representatives of LGs) on areas of
  coordination in the field of IT, e-Governance and data management between three levels of
  government.

#### 4.4. ASIPB Priorities of Madhesh Province-PRTA

PRTA Madhesh has prioritised following activities for the FY 24/25:

- Conduct workshop to review effectiveness of Capacity Building Activities conducted by the Provincial Research and Training Centre
- Organize orientation on Internal Control System (ICS) for Local Governments and facilitation in formulation of Procedure (Coaching and Mentoring)
- Organize interaction program among Deputies of LGs for sharing and learning from each other
- Conduct capacity building training on IT-based Service Delivery to ITOs of LGs
- Organize capacity building training on planning process of LED and Survey to staff working in Employement Service Centre and administration section of LGs

# 4.5. ASIPB Priorities of Bagamati Province- PPSU

Law making and review activities like review and revise existing acts, regulations and guidelines of PG and review existing acts and regulations prepared by LGs and provide necessary feedback for improvement. Moreover, formulation of law as needed to the Provincial Government is most. In this regard, the Bagamati Provincial Government has fulfilled and formulated the most needful laws though the remaining laws in concurrent and exclusive provision. So, further needful law formulation, review of existing law and research the implementation status of laws are still priorities of the Provincial Government.

There are several works to be accomplished like the digital Bagamati government. In this area the provincial government is making several software and implementing the system. Bagamati government is planning to prepare the Planning, Monitoring and Information System (PMIS) as well as preparing to implement an e-cabinet system like the federal government so the digital Bagamati is the priority area of the PLGSP Programme.

Bagamati Provincial Government is focusing in the Inter-Government Relationship. The coordination, cooperation and co-existence among the three tiers of government in the basis of cooperation is most. The three tiers of government most focus on the strengthening of their relationship which is based on

the constitution. The constitutional provision is to sit them and discussed whatever the problem of the federalism and sort out the needful actions so the IGR is the priority area of PLGSP Bagamati.

Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) audit and GESI responsive Budget related activities and areas are the focus for the Bagamati Provincial Government.

Bagamati Provincial Government had conducted Innovation Partnership Fund with 11 local governments at the first phase of PLGSP programme which is a very fruitful and sustainable program with the cooperation and coordination of LGs and PG. PLGSP has made very good coordination and collaboration to make it happen. This FY, Bagamti Provincial Government has planned to conduct 4 innovative schemes with local government as per envisage the ProDoc and especially the directions made by IPF guidelines.

#### Activities planned to achieve each priority of Bagamati PPSU are:

PPIU Bagamati have several activities planned to achieve the mentioned priorities area:

- Formulation, study and review of provincial government's act and regulations
- Study and review of local government act and regulations
- Conduct provincial coordination committee meeting
- Conduct annual and quarterly progress review and planning meeting
- Conduct GESI audit of Bagamati Provincial Ministries
- Interaction workshop between PG and LGs on concurrent rights and intergovernmental relationship and coordination (focusing annual planning process, service delivery and good governance)
- Dialogue and development initiatives on monitoring and evaluation of Infrastructure projects between vice chair and deputy mayors of LGs
- Interaction workshop between PG and LG on concurrent rights and intergovernmental relationship and coordination (focusing annual planning process, service delivery and good governance)
- Orientation on Audit and Budget Arrears
- Orientation and evaluation program on Fiduciary Risk Reduction
- Ordination program on Audit management System
- Training on Public Procurement Management
- Interaction program with DCC on Monitoring, Evaluation and Coordination
- Interaction with service regulatory organizations and service provider organizations related to information technology, access to services, simplicity and existing laws
- Inter Province Sharing Learning visit
- Coordination and Interaction programme with Development Partners
- Public hearings with the participation of civil society and other stakeholders regarding public service delivery, planning and budget formulation, citizen participation in the decision-making process
- Interaction program on GESI/GRB to GESI focal person of Bagamati Provincial Government

- Implementation of the integrated office management system, website and other services created and operated by the Information Technology Department implementation at the provincial level
- GESI Audit of Provencial Governments ministries
- Innovative Partnership Fund mobilization
- Orientation on IPF program
- Discussion and interaction regarding conflicting laws of federal, provincial and local level laws
- Interaction program with IT officers and other stakeholders at LG level.

# 4.6. ASIPB Priorities of Bagamati Province- PRTA

**Priority 1-** To focus on institutionalization of the programme interventions:

• Action: PRTA plan to Prepare and publish legal documents for the Provincial Good Governance Center to strengthen the PRTA. PRTA is playing the role to improve the IGR between three tires and focus on institutionalization by supporting PLGs to implement programmes and policies such as LISA, FRA, GESI strategy, Building Code, strengthening the capacity of elected representatives and staff of LGs and PG etc. Organize a workshop to share the lessons and publication of Good Practices of Local Level.

**Priority 2 -** PRTA Bagmati is focused on the capacity development of elected representatives, government service holders and civil societies as required which contribute in delivering effective services to the citizens.

Action: Based on the training need assessment (TNA) and consultation with stakeholders (LGs and province ministries); various types of training will be provided to staff and elected representatives of LGs and PG. PRTA provides training to the elected representatives and government officials, planning process/ budget, vertical and horizontal training, MTEF, procurement, local economic development, in-service training, pre-service training FRAP and LISA follow up etc.

**Priority 3 -** GESI mainstreaming: PRTA is committed for effective GESI mainstreaming in all governance systems, procedures and processes and at every stage of program implementation thus GESI mainstreaming throughout its program and governance system will continued to be one of its priority to enhance effectiveness of PLGs.

Action: PRTA will support inclusive participation who are under social inclusion. Various
sub-component under GESI mainstreaming have been designed to fulfill the target. Projects
are designed to capacitate LGs for more effective and meaningful inclusive participation of
women and build on self-decision-making capacity and knowledge in social and physical
infrastructure development activities. The PRTA plans a Review and interaction program on

GESI Audit, GRB, GESI Strategy and Code of Conduct. Orientation on women, children and marginalize targeted ward level planning process and Orientation on Child Friendly Local Governance (CFLG) to elected representative and staff of local level elected representative and staff to this fiscal year.

#### 4.7. ASIPB Priorities of Gandaki Province- PPSU

#### **Priority 1: Strengthening Policy Formulation and Legal Frameworks**

Gandaki Province has prioritized the formulation, audit, and review of policies and laws to ensure they are aligned with Gender Equality, Disability, and Social Inclusion (GEDSI) standards. Strengthening the legal framework will promote inclusive governance and improved service delivery at the provincial and local levels. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Policy and Laws Formulations
- Policies and Laws Audit to Make GEDSI Friendly
- Post Legislature Audit (68 Laws)
- Policy Dialogue with LGs

#### **Priority 2: Enhancing Intergovernmental Coordination and Monitoring**

The province prioritizes improving coordination and collaboration between local governments and provincial offices, as well as strengthening monitoring mechanisms. This will enhance transparency and accountability in governance and service delivery. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Inter and Intra Sectoral Committee Meeting
- Province Coordination Council Meeting
- Support to Provincial Monitoring Committee
- Strengthening the Monitoring and Supervision Committee of LGs

#### **Priority 3: Capacity Development and Governance Improvement**

Building the capacity of provincial staff, implementing capacity development action plans, and sharing best practices with local governments are key priorities for Gandaki Province. These initiatives aim to improve governance, planning, and service delivery at all levels of government. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Planning, Policy, and Monitoring Capacity Development of Provincial Staff
- Implementation of Province CD Action Plan (Support to Ministries)
- Inter Province Benchmarking Practice Visit
- Leadership Transformation Workshop for Female Staffs of the Province

#### **Priority 4: Promoting GEDSI and Good Governance**

Promoting gender equality, disability inclusion, and social inclusion (GEDSI) is a core priority of Gandaki Province, along with fostering good governance through public engagement and transparency initiatives. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Implementation of GEDSI Action Plan Activities
- Review of Implementation of GEDSI Audit Action Plan of Previous Fiscal Year
- Public Hearing to Provincial Offices at District Level
- Citizen Satisfaction Survey of Sampled Provincial Offices

#### 4.8. ASIPB Priorities of Gandaki Province- PRTA

#### Priority 1: Capacity Building and Skill Enhancement of Provincial Government Staff

Gandaki PRTA has prioritized capacity-building initiatives to enhance the skills and knowledge of Provincial Government (PG) staff. The focus is on providing in-service and service entry training, preparing staff for efficient and effective governance. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Service Entry Training
- In-Service Training
- Training to PG level staff on TOR writing
- EIA & IEE Training to PG Staff

#### **Priority 2: Promoting Good Governance and Strengthening Local Government Systems**

A key priority is to strengthen local governance systems by providing training and support to LGs on key governance issues, including fiscal discipline, audit arrears, and public procurement. The goal is to improve service delivery and ensure financial transparency. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Training to Elected Representatives and Staff of LGs on Fiscal Discipline and Audit Arrear
- Public Procurement Training for Elected Representatives and Staff of LGs
- Training for Spokespersons of LGs
- Revenue Management Training to the Revenue Advisory Committee of LGs

#### **Priority 3: Enhancing Inclusivity and Gender Equality in Governance**

The Gandaki PRTA emphasizes inclusivity by focusing on gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) in local governance. Various trainings and interactions are planned to ensure that governance structures are more inclusive, responsive, and equipped to address issues such as gender-based violence (GBV) and child protection. Activities planned under this priority are:

- GESI Training to Women Representatives of Ward Committees
- Training on GESI-Friendly Legal System and Psychosocial Support for Judicial Committees of LGs
- Interaction with LGs on Code of Conduct Against GBV
- Child Protection Training for Child Rights Officers of LGs

#### **Priority 4: Strengthening Judicial and Local Governance Structures**

Gandaki PRTA has prioritized strengthening judicial committees and internal control systems at the local level. Through dialogue programs and training, elected representatives and staff will be equipped to handle governance and legal matters effectively, ensuring that local governments can manage judicial processes and governance issues. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Dialogue Program with Members of Judiciary Committees on Judicial Procedure Issues
- Interaction with LG Representatives and Staff on Internal Control System
- Training on Participatory Planning Process and Monitoring for Ward Committee Members

#### 4.9. ASIPB Priorities of Lumbini Province- PPSU

#### **Priority 1: Strengthening Digital Governance and IT Systems**

Lumbini PPSU prioritizes enhancing digital governance and the use of information technology at the provincial level. The focus is on improving office management systems, e-governance practices, and data management across all tiers of government, contributing to efficient public service delivery. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Orientation and Workshop on Integrated Office Management System at the Provincial Level
- Provincial-level Interaction Program on Information Technology, E-Governance, and Data Management Coordination
- Government Enterprise Architecture Audit and IT Audit of Provincial and Local Offices

#### **Priority 2: Promoting Governance Reforms and Good Governance Practices**

Lumbini PPSU aims to foster governance reforms, improve transparency, and enhance coordination between provincial and local governments. The focus is on strengthening governance structures and promoting inclusive governance practices through dialogue and best-practice sharing programs. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Dialogue Program on Governance Reforms and Good Governance at the Provincial Level
- Issue-based Inter-provincial Dialogue Program
- Interaction on Development Issues and Joint Monitoring of Programs Operated by the Provincial Government

#### **Priority 3: Enhancing GESI Mainstreaming and Financial Accountability**

Lumbini PPSU is committed to ensuring Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) and promoting financial accountability within provincial ministries. Through capacity-building workshops and GESI audits, the province aims to create an inclusive work environment and improve financial management. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Provincial Ministry's GESI Audit and Review of Audit Reports
- Workshops on GESI/GRB/Gender-Based Violence Reduction for Provincial Staff
- Orientation, Evaluation, and Review Support for Provincial Financial Risk Assessment (PFRA)

#### Priority 4: Innovation and Collaboration through the Innovation Partnership Program (IPP)

Lumbini PPSU places high importance on fostering innovation and collaboration through the Innovation Partnership Program (IPP). This initiative focuses on developing innovative solutions in partnership with local governments and development partners to address key governance challenges. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Notice Publication, Feasibility Study, Technical Evaluation, Orientation, and Workshop Related to the Innovation Partnership Program
- Implementation of the Innovation Partnership Program (IPP)

#### 4.10. ASIPB Priorities of Lumbini Province-PRTA

#### **Priority 1: Strengthening Capacity Development for Provincial Government Employees**

Lumbini PRTA prioritizes enhancing the skills and knowledge of provincial government employees through comprehensive capacity development programs. The focus is on performance management, public procurement, and service entry training to ensure effective service delivery at the provincial level. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Three-day capacity building training on performance management for officer-level employees
- Training on public procurement for employees of district-based sectoral offices of the provincial government (EGP)
- Service entry training for newly appointed employees of the provincial government
- In-service training for provincial government employees

#### Priority 2: Enhancing Local Governance through Capacity Building and Policy Support

Lumbini PRTA aims to improve local governance by providing targeted capacity-building programs to local government employees and elected representatives. The focus is on areas such as public procurement, monitoring, supervision, policy formulation, and financial management. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Training on public procurement and EGP for local level employees
- Orientation training on policy, planning, and law formulation for mayors/deputy mayors/chairpersons/vice-chairpersons of local levels
- Capacity building training on monitoring, supervision, roles, and responsibilities for elected representatives of the District Coordination Committee

• Assistance in the preparation of Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for local levels

#### **Priority 3: Promoting Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) in Governance**

Lumbini PRTA is committed to promoting GESI in local governance through targeted training and support programs for local government representatives. This includes gender-responsive budgeting, transformative leadership for Dalit women, and GESI assessments to ensure that governance structures are inclusive and equitable. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Orientation support program on gender-responsive budgeting at the local level for members of the local executive and branch chiefs
- Transformative leadership training for Dalit women members of the executive
- Study on the implementation status of GESI strategy and GESI assessment report prepared by local levels

#### Priority 4: Strengthening Financial Management and Revenue Improvement at the Local Level

Lumbini PRTA prioritizes improving financial management and revenue collection at the local level. Through training and support for local government employees and the Revenue Consultation Committee, the province aims to enhance revenue improvement action plans and ensure financial sustainability for local governments. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Implementation training based on the analysis of the revenue improvement action plan for members of the Revenue Consultation Committee
- Assistance in creating a revenue improvement action plan for local levels in coordination with the Ministry of Economic Affairs
- Analyzing the implementation status of periodic plans and capacity development action plans made by local levels

#### 4.11. ASIPB Priorities of Karnali Province- PPSU

#### **Priority 1: Strengthening Legal and Policy Frameworks**

PPSU Karnali prioritizes supporting the formulation, review, and implementation of laws, policies, and strategies at both the provincial and local government levels to ensure effective governance. These efforts will also focus on building the capacity of provincial authorities in law-making and parliamentary processes. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Support to formulate/review laws, regulations, policies, and guidelines for Provincial and Local Governments
- Conduct orientation on post-parliamentary scrutiny, mock parliament, and law-making for Provincial Assembly Members
- Orientation on provincial laws workshop at the provincial level

#### **Priority 2: Enhancing Financial Management and Accountability**

Improving financial management and accountability is a key priority for PPSU Karnali. This includes capacity-building workshops on internal audit, internal control systems, and public procurement management for provincial employees, as well as addressing audit arrears and ensuring transparency in public financial management (PFM) systems. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Organize workshops on Fiduciary Risk Reduction Action Plan (FRRAP) for PG officials
- Capacity development on internal audit, internal control systems for employees of ministries, directorates, and district-level offices
- Mentor mobilization in ministries of the provincial government for audit arrear settlement

#### **Priority 3: Strengthening Governance through ICT and E-Governance**

Karnali Province emphasizes digital transformation and the effective use of ICT and e-governance systems to improve service delivery, governance efficiency, and intergovernmental coordination. The focus will be on rolling out office automation and providing ICT-related training to provincial government employees. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Establishment and rollout of government office automation and services delivered from the Department of Information Technology at the provincial level
- IT training for Provincial Ministries' computer officers and operators
- Interaction program on coordination in ICT & E-governance areas among the three tiers of government

#### **Priority 4: Promoting GESI Mainstreaming and Innovative Projects**

PPSU Karnali is committed to mainstreaming Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) in governance processes and promoting innovative projects through capacity building and collaboration with local government associations. The province also seeks to implement innovative partnership funds (IPF) in local governments to foster development. Activities planned under this priority are:

- GESI audit of all PG ministries
- Capacity development of LGs in collaboration with MuAN, NARMIN, and ADCCN for innovative project proposal formulation and IPF orientation
- Implementation of IPF projects in LGs
- Learning-sharing program for GESI focal persons

#### 4.12. ASIPB Priorities of Karnali Province- PRTA

#### Priority 1: Capacity Development of Provincial and Local Government Staff

Karnali PRTA places a high priority on capacity development initiatives to enhance the skills and knowledge of newly appointed and in-service staff at both provincial and local government levels.

This includes training on internal control systems, law-making, and other key governance areas to improve governance and service delivery. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Induction training for newly appointed staff of province and local level (Assistant and Officer Level)
- In-service training for newly appointed staff of province and local level (Assistant and Officer Level)
- Training on law-making process for representatives and officials of LGs
- Orientation on Internal Control System (ICS) for LGs and facilitation support to prepare ICS guideline

#### Priority 2: Strengthening GESI Mainstreaming and Social Accountability

Karnali PRTA is committed to promoting Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) within local governance structures by providing transformative leadership training and capacity-building programs for GESI focal persons. The focus is also on supporting social accountability mechanisms at the local level. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Capacity development for GESI focal persons through ToT and workshops
- Transformative and GESI mainstreaming training for LG representatives
- Orientation on Social Accountability tools implementation (Public hearings, social audits, PETS, CSCR, etc.) for LGs
- Orientation on GRB audit of LGs

#### **Priority 3: Enhancing Local Economic Development and Good Governance**

Karnali PRTA prioritizes fostering innovative local economic development and promoting good governance through workshops, learning-sharing programs, and support for local governments in planning processes. These efforts aim to improve governance structures and service delivery at the local level. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Learning sharing workshop on Good Practices of Innovative Local Economic Development between LGs
- Capacity development program related to local level periodic plans, CD plans, and RIAP (ToT, orientation, workshops, and on-sight coaching)
- Promotional activities related to Good Governance and prevention of corruption at the local level

#### **Priority 4: Improving Local Governance Systems through Targeted Training and Support**

Karnali PRTA is focused on improving local governance systems through targeted training programs for LG staff and representatives. This includes support in implementing MTEF, facilitating settlement and ward-level planning processes, and strengthening community mediation at the local level. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Support/follow-up/workshop with LG representatives and staff to plan and implement MTEF at the LG level
- Capacity development on settlement and ward-level planning process (Coaching, mentoring, mobile team mobilization, and simulation)
- Capacity development training for community mediators (8 days)

# 4.13. ASIPB Priorities of Sudurpashchim Province- PPSU

### Priority 1: Strengthening Legal Framework and GESI Mainstreaming

Sudurpashchim PPSU prioritizes strengthening the legal framework at the provincial level by formulating and reviewing laws, regulations, and directives. The focus is also on mainstreaming Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) within the provincial governance system. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Formulate province laws (Acts, Regulations, Directives, etc.)
- Review the existing province laws (Acts, regulations, procedures, guidelines, etc.)
- Prepare and publish the GESI status report of PG (Based on GESI Audit)
- Conduct an orientation to GESI focal persons of PG on GESI audit

#### **Priority 2: Enhancing IT-Based Governance and Information Management Systems**

The province aims to enhance IT-based governance by strengthening information management systems across provincial governments. This includes supporting the operation of IT systems, upgrading websites, and improving data management systems to improve transparency and service delivery. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Strengthen IT-based information management systems in PGs (Upgrade/update websites, profiles, portals, etc.)
- Support in strengthening the Government Integrated Office Management System (GIOMS)
- Conduct trainings/orientations on IT systems operation and management to PG staff

#### Priority 3: Improving Monitoring, Evaluation, and Intergovernmental Relations

Sudurpashchim PPSU focuses on enhancing the capacity of provincial staff in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) processes while promoting intergovernmental relations between the province and local levels. This priority is essential to ensure effective program implementation and governance coordination. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Organize the joint monitoring and evaluation of the activities of PG and PLGSP
- Conduct orientations to the staff of PG (Ministries) and subordinate offices on M&E systems and provisions
- Conduct an interaction/workshop between PG and LGs on concurrent rights, intergovernmental relations, and coordination

• Support to Provincial Coordination Council (Holding meetings, implementing decisions)

#### Priority 4: Supporting Provincial Economic Development and Revenue Improvement

Supporting the economic development of the province is a key priority for Sudurpashchim PPSU, which includes conducting economic potential studies and developing the province's Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP). This will help strengthen the financial sustainability of the provincial government and foster local economic growth. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Conduct a study on economic potentials of the province
- Support in preparation of the Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) of PG

# 4.14. ASIPB Priorities of Sudurpashchim Province- PRTA

#### Priority 1: Capacity Building of Provincial and Local Government Staff

Sudurpashchim PRTA prioritizes the capacity development of both provincial and local government staff through a variety of targeted trainings. These programs aim to improve the skills of government officials, focusing on governance, leadership, and technical capabilities. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Organize and conduct demand-based capacity development trainings for PG and LG staff
- Conduct service-entry and in-service training for government staff at the local and provincial levels
- Training on public procurement (e-bidding) for PG engineers and Admin Section Heads
- Capacity development trainings for internal auditors at the local level

#### **Priority 2: Strengthening Governance and Accountability Mechanisms**

A key priority of Sudurpashchim PRTA is strengthening governance and accountability at the local level. This includes the implementation of social accountability tools, improving planning processes, and developing leadership skills among elected representatives. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Accountability tools training for local level, including Public Audit, Public Hearing, and Social Audit
- Conduct inclusive annual program and budgeting workshops for elected representatives and staff at the local level
- Training and workshops on leadership development and management for mayors and chairpersons of rural municipalities

#### **Priority 3: Enhancing GESI Mainstreaming and Inclusive Governance**

Sudurpashchim PRTA is committed to promoting Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) within governance structures by providing capacity-building training on GESI audits, gender-responsive budgeting, and supporting marginalized groups. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Conduct GESI strategy, GESI audit planning follow-up, and workshops
- Conduct GESI-service training for LG staff
- Organize and conduct capacity development trainings for elected Dalit and marginalized members at the local level

#### **Priority 4: Promoting Economic Development and Resilience**

Sudurpashchim PRTA focuses on promoting local economic development and enhancing resilience to climate change and disaster risks. Through targeted training on LED, climate resilience, and disaster risk management, the province aims to improve the economic potential and sustainability of local governments. Activities planned under this priority are:

- Organize Local Economic Development (LED) training for elected representatives and staff
- Training on climate resilience and disaster risk management for local level staff
- Conduct urban planning and designing training for LG technical staff (engineers and subengineers)

# 5. NARRATIVE OF ASIPB ACTIVITIES

Following section presents the narrative and implementation arrangement of ASIPB Activities that has been planned for the fiscal year 2024 by PCU and PPSU and PRTA of all seven provinces.

### **5.1.** Narrative of ASIPB Activities- Program Coordination Unit (PCU)

Outcome 1: Federal level Government institutions and Inter-Governmental mechanisms are fully functioning in support of federal governance as per the Constitution.

Output 1: Federal-level institutions have GESI-sensitive legislation, policies, and strategies in support of devolved Good Governance of Provinces and Local Governments.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.1.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1495)

<u>Activity</u>: Inter-Governmental Dialogue Program between Federal, Province and Local Levels for Drafting and Harmonization of Civil Service (Federal and State) and Local Service Acts

#### To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: The federal structure of Nepal necessitates a harmonized and effective civil service framework to ensure consistency and equity in governance across all tiers. Currently, the drafting and harmonization of the Civil Service Acts at federal, provincial, and local levels face challenges due to differing perspectives, priorities, and capacities. To address these challenges, this activity aims to facilitate an inter-governmental dialogue program involving stakeholders from the federal, provincial, and local levels. The dialogue will provide a platform for discussion on the Civil Service Acts, promote alignment with the Constitution's spirit, and help harmonize service delivery standards. By enabling collaboration and consensus-building, this dialogue program seeks to establish a coherent legal framework that supports efficient, inclusive, and responsive public administration across all government levels.

Implementation Arrangement: The Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA), through the Program Coordination Unit (PCU), will take the lead in organizing this activity. Key stakeholders, including representatives from the federal ministries, provincial governments, local governments, and other relevant agencies, will be invited to participate in the dialogue program. MoFAGA/PCU will engage individual and institutional experts as resource persons to facilitate discussions and provide technical inputs on legal matters. The activity will include a series of workshops and consultation meetings at both the federal and provincial levels to gather inputs, share drafts, and build consensus on the proposed Civil Service Acts. All outcomes from the dialogue program will be documented and disseminated for feedback and further refinement.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 2000

Outcome 1: Federal level Government institutions and Inter-Governmental mechanisms are fully functioning in support of federal governance as per the Constitution.

Output 1: Federal-level institutions have GESI-sensitive legislation, policies, and strategies in support of devolved Good Governance of Provinces and Local Governments.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.1.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1481)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct workshop to revise and optimize the procedures of the auditing system (LISA, FRA, LED, GESI, GRB, GBV, etc.) used at the local level.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Local governments in Nepal use various auditing and assessment systems, such as the Local Institutional Self-Assessment (LISA), Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA), Local Economic Development (LED), Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) audits, Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB), and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) monitoring. These systems are essential for promoting good governance, transparency, and inclusivity in service delivery. However, the current procedures for these auditing systems need to be revised and optimized to enhance their effectiveness and efficiency. This activity involves conducting workshops to review, refine, and harmonize the procedures of these auditing systems. By bringing together representatives from local governments, auditing experts, and key stakeholders, the workshops will aim to identify gaps, streamline processes, and align the systems with national standards and local requirements. The revised procedures will contribute to more accountable, inclusive, and effective local governance.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will implement this activity under close coordination and guidance of Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA), PRTAs will be involved for managing roster of experts, and other stakeholders to organize a series of workshops, inviting participants from local governments, financial and governance experts, GESI practitioners, and representatives from auditing agencies. Resource persons with expertise in auditing systems, local governance, and gender inclusivity will be hired to facilitate discussions and provide technical inputs. The workshops will focus on reviewing the current procedures, identifying areas for improvement, and developing optimized procedures for the auditing systems used at the local level. The outcomes and recommendations from these workshops will be documented and shared with local governments for feedback and subsequent implementation. The PCU will support the dissemination of the revised procedures and provide ongoing guidance to ensure that local governments adopt the optimized auditing processes effectively.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 700

Outcome 1: Federal level Government institutions and Inter-Governmental mechanisms are fully functioning in support of federal governance as per the Constitution.

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1496)

<u>Activity</u>: Studies, analysis, and dialogue programs on the agendas presented and discussed in the National Coordinating Council and Inter-Provincial Coordination Council meetings, as well as their implementation.

#### To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: In the federal governance structure of Nepal, the National Coordinating Council (NCC) and the Inter-Provincial Coordination Council (IPCC) play critical roles in facilitating dialogue, coordination, and cooperation among different tiers of government. However, effective implementation of decisions and agendas discussed in these meetings has been a challenge, often due to a lack of in-depth studies and analyses. This activity aims to bridge that gap by conducting comprehensive studies and analyses of the key agendas discussed in the NCC and IPCC meetings. Additionally, it will facilitate dialogue programs to review the outcomes, challenges, and best practices associated with these agendas, promoting informed decision-making and implementation. The findings will be instrumental in strengthening intergovernmental collaboration and ensuring a cohesive approach to policy and service delivery across the federal, provincial, and local levels.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) under the Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA) will implement this activity in close collaboration with Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs). The PCU will hire individual consultants or research institutions to conduct the studies and analyses on selected agendas from the NCC and IPCC meetings. Dialogue programs will be organized with participation from federal, provincial, and local government representatives to discuss the findings, identify implementation challenges, and propose solutions. The PCU, in coordination with relevant federal ministries, will also ensure that the outcomes and recommendations from these studies and dialogues are shared with the NCC, IPCC, and other stakeholders to support the effective implementation of agreed actions. Workshops and interaction meetings will be conducted to foster consensus and build a shared understanding of the agendas under consideration.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

#### 2, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 2000

Outcome 1: Federal level Government institutions and Inter-Governmental mechanisms are fully functioning in support of federal governance as per the Constitution.

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1528)

<u>Activity</u>: Dialogue program on the interrelationship between the federal, provincial, and local governments, including the effectiveness of the Public Accounts Committee in the law-making process.

#### To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: Nepal's federal structure emphasizes a balanced interrelationship between the federal, provincial, and local governments to ensure effective governance, resource distribution, and service delivery. However, ambiguities in roles, coordination challenges, and differing legislative priorities among these tiers have sometimes hampered the functioning of federal governance. Additionally, the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) plays a crucial role in the law-making process, ensuring transparency, accountability, and fiscal discipline. This activity aims to organize dialogue programs to explore the intergovernmental relationships and the effectiveness of the PAC in shaping policy and laws. By bringing together key stakeholders from all government tiers, this program seeks to identify challenges, best practices, and strategies to improve collaboration and legislative processes. Enhanced understanding and communication will contribute to a more coordinated and efficient approach to governance across all levels.

Implementation Arrangement: The Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA), through the Program Coordination Unit (PCU), will lead the implementation of this activity in partnership with Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs). The PCU will invite representatives from federal ministries, provincial governments, local governments, the Public Accounts Committee, and other relevant agencies to participate in these dialogue programs. Expert facilitators, including legal and governance specialists, will be hired to guide discussions and provide insights into intergovernmental relations and the PAC's role. A series of workshops and interaction meetings will be organized, during which participants will share their experiences, challenges, and recommendations. The findings from these dialogues will be documented and shared with relevant stakeholders to inform future policy-making, strengthen intergovernmental coordination, and enhance the law-making process. The PCU, in coordination with the Office of the Prime Minister and other key ministries, will ensure that the dialogue outcomes are followed up for implementation.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

#### 2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 3000

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1529)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on governance, development, and service delivery, including its inclusive and diversity management.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Effective governance, development, and service delivery are central to the success of Nepal's federal structure. However, these aspects must be managed inclusively to address the diverse needs of all citizens, particularly women, marginalized communities, and minority groups. This activity aims to organize interaction programs focused on the interrelated aspects of governance, development, and public service delivery, with a strong emphasis on inclusivity and diversity management. These programs will provide a platform for elected representatives, bureaucrats, and stakeholders at the federal, provincial, and local levels to discuss challenges, share best practices, and explore strategies for more equitable and responsive service delivery. By fostering dialogue, this activity seeks to build consensus and strengthen efforts toward a more inclusive governance framework, ensuring that no one is left behind in Nepal's development journey.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) under the Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA) will implement this activity in coordination with the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs). The PCU will invite participants from various levels of government, including elected representatives, government officials, and representatives from women's and marginalized groups, to ensure diverse perspectives are included in the discussions. Individual consultants or facilitators with expertise in inclusive governance and diversity management will be engaged to facilitate the interaction programs. A series of workshops and interactive sessions will be organized in selected provinces to encourage open dialogue on current challenges, strategies for improvement, and ways to enhance inclusivity in service delivery. The findings and recommendations from these sessions will be compiled into a report and shared with stakeholders to inform future governance policies and practices. The PCU, in coordination with relevant federal ministries and provincial governments, will ensure the dialogue outcomes are integrated into ongoing policy reforms and development initiatives.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1530)

<u>Activity</u>: Program on inter-governmental coordination for implementing administrative federalism across all three levels of government.

To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: Administrative federalism in Nepal is critical for ensuring the effective and efficient delivery of services across federal, provincial, and local governments. However, the successful implementation of administrative federalism requires robust inter-governmental coordination to address challenges such as role clarity, resource management, capacity building, and policy alignment. This program aims to foster coordination among all three levels of government by providing a platform for discussion, experience sharing, and joint problem-solving. By promoting dialogue and collaboration, the program will help clarify administrative roles, harmonize efforts, and build consensus on the best strategies for implementing federalism in a manner that enhances governance and public service delivery. This activity is designed to facilitate the smooth operation of administrative federalism, ensuring that government functions are efficiently carried out at all levels while aligning with the principles of equity, inclusion, and accountability.

Implementation Arrangement: The Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA), through the Program Coordination Unit (PCU), will take the lead in implementing this activity. The PCU will organize coordination programs in collaboration with the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs) and relevant federal ministries, involving key stakeholders from federal, provincial, and local governments. Experts in federal governance and administrative systems will be engaged to facilitate discussions, provide technical inputs, and guide the coordination process. Workshops, seminars, and interactive meetings will be conducted to foster dialogue on the implementation of administrative federalism, focusing on areas such as administrative role clarity, resource allocation, and inter-governmental communication. The outcomes of these coordination programs will be documented and disseminated to all levels of government to guide ongoing efforts in federalism implementation. The PCU, in collaboration with provincial and local governments, will monitor the progress and support the follow-up actions to ensure that administrative federalism is effectively operationalized across the country.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1484)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct ToT training and orientation on various contemporary issues (such as ICS, MTEF, LED Index, Periodic Plan, GESI/GRB).

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: The evolving governance landscape in Nepal requires elected representatives, civil servants, and other stakeholders to stay updated on a range of contemporary issues critical to public administration and service delivery. Topics like Internal Control Systems (ICS), Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF), Local Economic Development (LED) Index, Periodic Planning, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI), and Gender-Responsive Budgeting (GRB) are essential components of effective and inclusive governance. This activity aims to conduct Training of Trainers (ToT) programs and orientations to build a pool of knowledgeable trainers who can further disseminate this knowledge across provincial and local governments. By focusing on these contemporary issues, the training programs will empower participants with the skills and knowledge needed to implement progressive policies, promote inclusivity, and enhance the overall efficiency of government operations.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will take the lead in implementing this activity, with coordination support from the MOFAGA, and the Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs). MOFAGA in support of PRTAs will identify key areas and the participants for the ToT programs, including representatives from provincial and local governments, women, and marginalized groups, ensuring a diverse group of trainees. Expert trainers and subject matter specialists in areas such as ICS, MTEF, LED, Periodic Planning, GESI, and GRB will be hired to facilitate these training sessions. The ToT programs will include comprehensive modules covering theoretical knowledge, practical application, and implementation strategies for each of the topics. In addition to traditional classroom training, interactive workshops, group discussions, and case studies will be used to foster an in-depth understanding of each subject. Post-training, the newly trained trainers will be responsible for cascading the training to officials at the local government level. To support this process, PRTAs will develop training manuals, guidelines, and resource materials. The PCU will monitor the effectiveness of the ToT programs and provide ongoing technical support to ensure the successful implementation of the contemporary issues covered. Feedback mechanisms will be established to identify further training needs, ensuring that the knowledge and skills imparted are continually relevant and impactful.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Event\_TOT-Other, 1500

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1485)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize workshops/conferences with various stakeholders on creating a safe, dignified, and inclusive workplace.

To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: Creating a safe, dignified, and inclusive workplace is essential for promoting equality, productivity, and a positive work culture within government institutions at all levels. However, challenges such as discrimination, harassment, and lack of inclusivity continue to exist in many workplaces, particularly affecting women and marginalized groups. This activity aims to organize workshops and conferences involving various stakeholders to discuss strategies, policies, and practices for fostering safe and inclusive work environments. By bringing together elected representatives, civil servants, gender equality advocates, and policymakers, these events will facilitate dialogue, raise awareness, and promote best practices for creating workplace conditions that respect diversity and human dignity. The outcomes will contribute to the development of policies and mechanisms that support an inclusive and respectful work culture across all levels of government.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU), in collaboration with thematic ministries, commission, and other agencies, and in support of the Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) and the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs), will implement this activity. The PCU will start by identifying need and possible partitipants, relevant stakeholders, including government officials, gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) experts, rights advocates, and representatives from women's and marginalized groups, to participate in the workshops and conferences.

Subject matter experts will be hired to facilitate the discussions and provide insights into creating safe and inclusive workplaces. The workshops and conferences will include sessions on topics such as workplace safety, anti-harassment policies, gender-sensitive practices, and diversity management. Best practices, case studies, and interactive group activities will be integrated into the programs to promote practical understanding and application.

Post-conference, a report summarizing key discussions, recommendations, and proposed actions will be developed and shared with relevant government bodies and stakeholders. The PCU, in coordination with PRTAs, will work on incorporating these recommendations into policies and guidelines for

workplace inclusivity. To support ongoing efforts, follow-up support and capacity-building initiatives will be organized to ensure that the outcomes of the workshops and conferences are effectively implemented and contribute to fostering safe, dignified, and inclusive workplaces within government institutions.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1492)

<u>Activity</u>: Advisory meeting of National Coordinational Committee and other management committees of federal and province level.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Regular advisory meetings play a crucial role in the effective implementation of the Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP) by ensuring strategic guidance, coordination, and alignment of activities across federal, provincial, and local levels. The National Steering Committee (NSC) and other management committees provide an essential platform for stakeholders to review progress, discuss challenges, and make informed decisions to steer the program in the right direction. This activity aims to conduct regular meetings of the NSC and other relevant management committees to facilitate continuous dialogue, policy alignment, and collaborative decision-making among federal and provincial stakeholders. In addition of support functioning of PLGSP, these meetings will also strengthen the intergovernmental coordination necessary for the successful implementation of PLGSP's objectives and goals, ensuring that program activities are responsive, inclusive, and effective.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) implement this activity, in collaboration with the MoFAGA, OPMCM, Development Partners (DPs) and other stakeholders as provisioned by ProDoc. In coordination PCU will schedule and organize regular meetings of the NSC, FCC, TAC and other management committees at both federal and provincial levels. The agenda for each meeting will be developed in consultation with committee members, focusing on key issues such as program progress, challenges, policy decisions, and planning for upcoming activities, and other need based. The PCU will also prepare and distribute background documents, reports, and discussion papers to inform the participants and facilitate effective dialogue during the meetings. The PCU will document the outcomes and decisions of each meeting and share them with the concerned stakeholders for follow-up actions. To ensure the meetings are effective and result-oriented, the PCU will continuously monitor the implementation of the decisions taken and provide necessary support to the committees for achieving the desired outcomes.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1503)

<u>Activity</u>: Sharing best practices among provinces and local governments, along with engaging in interactions and publishing reports.

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Sharing best practices among provinces and local governments is vital for promoting learning, innovation, and efficiency in governance and public service delivery. This activity aims to create a platform for provinces and local governments to exchange successful practices, experiences, and strategies, fostering an environment of mutual learning and collaboration. By organizing interactions and publishing comprehensive reports on best practices, this initiative will enable the dissemination of valuable insights and approaches that can be adapted and implemented by other governments. Engaging in these exchanges not only encourages replication of effective practices but also enhances intergovernmental coordination, supporting the overall goals of efficient, accountable, and inclusive governance.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU), in collaboration with MoFAGA. PPSU and PRTA, will implement this activity. The PCU will prepapre 'best practice development and sharing guideline" and identify best practices of different provinces and local governments through consultations, progress reports, and assessments with support of PPSU and PRTAs. To facilitate knowledge exchange, the PCU will organize interaction programs such as workshops, seminars, and webinars where representatives from provinces and local governments can present and discuss their best practices. There will be best practices sharing of LGs in each province and another sharing session dedicated to best practices of provicial governments. During these sessions, participants will have opportunities to present, learn, ask questions, and explore ways to adapt successful practices to their specific contexts. Furthermore, the PCU, with support from PPSUs and PRTAs, will compile the identified best practices into reports, detailing their implementation processes, outcomes, and lessons learned. These reports will be published and distributed to all provinces and local governments to serve as reference materials. The PCU will also establish a digital platform for ongoing sharing and discussion of best practices, enabling continued interaction and learning among the stakeholders. Follow-up meetings and support mechanisms will be organized to assist local governments in adopting and tailoring the shared best practices to meet their unique needs and challenges.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1494)

<u>Activity</u>: Payment of liabilities under the contract for the "Higher Education Study Program for Provincial and Local Government Employees."

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Investing in the higher education of provincial and local government employees is a critical step towards building a capable and efficient public service workforce that can meet the demands of federal governance. Previously, the Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP) facilitated a higher education study program aimed at enhancing the knowledge, skills, and competencies of government staff at the provincial and local levels. However, due to administrative challenges, the payments related to this program were not settled in the last fiscal year. This activity aims to address these pending financial liabilities by ensuring the payment to the agency responsible for facilitating the higher education program. By clearing these liabilities, the activity ensures the continuity of support for government employees who have completed their education, thereby promoting ongoing professional development and capacity building within provincial and local governments.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU), in collaboration with the Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA), will implement this activity. The PCU will first review the contractual obligations and documentation related to the higher education program to verify the outstanding payments. It will coordinate with the relevant educational institutions and agencies to confirm the details of government employees who completed their studies under the program in the last two fiscal years. Once the verification process is complete, the PCU will initiate the payment process to settle the pending liabilities. The payments will be made to the respective agency based on the terms outlined in the contract. Throughout this process, the PCU will ensure compliance with financial regulations and transparency standards set by PLGSP/MOFAGA.

After the payments are executed, the PCU will document the completion of this activity, including an acknowledgment from the educational institution or agency regarding the settlement of the liabilities. Additionally, the PCU will review and refine administrative procedures to prevent similar payment delays in future activities. This approach will reinforce trust and support among government employees for their ongoing professional development, enhancing their motivation to contribute effectively to provincial and local governance.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Support\_Technical, 3250

Output 2: Federal horizontal and vertical Intergovernmental mechanisms and relations are functional and strengthened to 'Leave No One Behind'.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.2.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1489)

<u>Activity</u>: Producing, publishing, broadcasting, and distributing information and communication on various subjects related materials to PLGSP.

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Effective communication and information dissemination are vital for the success and visibility of the Provincial and Local Governance Support Programme (PLGSP). This activity focuses on producing, publishing, broadcasting, and distributing informational and educational materials on various subjects related to PLGSP's initiatives and progress. By creating accessible communication materials, this activity aims to raise awareness about the program's objectives, achievements, best practices, and ongoing efforts to strengthen governance at the provincial and local levels. Broadcasting and distributing these materials across multiple platforms will engage stakeholders, including government officials, civil society, and the public, fostering transparency and promoting a shared understanding of PLGSP's impact. This enhanced communication strategy will support intergovernmental collaboration and civic engagement, furthering PLGSP's goals of inclusive and accountable governance.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will lead the implementation of this activity, with support from the Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs) and Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs). The PCU will first identify key topics and themes related to PLGSP's initiatives that require communication materials, in consultation with relevant stakeholders at the federal, provincial, and local levels. Content production will involve procuring/ hiring communication experts, content creators, and media professionals to develop a range of materials, including brochures, newsletters, reports, infographics, videos, and radio broadcasts. These materials will be tailored to meet the information needs of different audiences, ensuring that they are informative, engaging, and accessible. Once produced, the PCU will coordinate with PPSUs and PRTAs to distribute the materials through various channels, including government websites, social media platforms, local radio stations, print media, and community centers. In addition, workshops and outreach programs will be organized to directly engage with local governments, civil society, and community members, providing them with printed materials and facilitating discussions on PLGSP's activities.

The PCU will monitor the reach and impact of these communication efforts by gathering feedback from stakeholders and the public, which will inform future content production and distribution strategies. This ongoing communication initiative will enhance PLGSP's visibility, encourage

stakeholder engagement, and promote a deeper understanding of the program's role in advancing good governance and inclusive development.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

3, Publication\_Knowledge Products, 1500

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1335)

<u>Activity</u>: Support MoFAGA in integration and upgrading online systems, after the important systems are identified.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: The integration and upgrading of online systems are crucial for strengthening e-governance and improving service delivery across all government tiers in Nepal. The Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA) oversees multiple online systems that facilitate administrative functions, data management, intergovernmental communication, and public service provision. However, many of these systems operate in isolation, resulting in inefficiencies and difficulties in data sharing and coordination. This activity aims to identify key online systems within MoFAGA and support their integration and upgrading to enhance their functionality and interoperability. By adopting a unified digital approach, this activity will contribute to more streamlined operations, improved data management, and more responsive public services, aligning with the principles of Good Governance and inclusivity.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will collaborate with MoFAGA to implement this activity. The process will begin by identifying critical online systems that require integration and upgrading, in close consultation with MoFAGA, particularly IT Section and relevant sections and stakeholders. The PCU will then hire IT experts or consulting firms to assess the current status of these systems, develop an integration plan, develop systems and implement the necessary upgrades. Workshops and technical meetings will be conducted on demand to gather inputs from MoFAGA officials, IT professionals, and representatives from other government agencies. Throughout the process, the PCU will ensure that the upgrades adhere to data security, privacy standards, and government e-governance policies. The outcomes of the integration and upgrade will be documented, and training sessions will be organized for MoFAGA staff to familiarize them with the new integrated systems. The PCU will monitor the implementation progress and provide continued technical support to ensure the systems' sustainability and effectiveness.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, System\_Updated, 50

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1498)

<u>Activity</u>: Enhance the information management system, online system and infrastructures (for provincial, DCC, and local governments) to enhance inter-operability and continue technical support for sustainability.

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Efficient information management and seamless data exchange are essential for the smooth operation of federal governance in Nepal. However, system and infrastructures developed for Provincial, District Coordination Committees (DCCs), and local governments face challenges related to outdated information systems, fragmented data platforms, and inadequate digital infrastructure. This activity aims to enhance the information management system, online systems, and digital infrastructure developed for these levels of government to promote interoperability, data sharing, and coordinated service delivery. By upgrading systems and building robust digital infrastructure, this activity will facilitate better governance, ensure data consistency, and support the ongoing digital transformation in public administration. In addition, continued technical support will be provided to ensure the sustainability and optimal utilization of the upgraded systems, aligning with the goals of Good Governance and efficient service delivery.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will implement this activity in collaboration with Federal IT agencies, MOFAGA, Provinces and Local Governments. The PCU will start by conducting a needs assessment to identify the current status of information systems, online platforms, websites, and digital infrastructure at the provincial, DCC, and local government levels. Based on this assessment, the PCU in coordination of IT team at provinces, will hire consulting firm to develop or improve systems/ websites/ ensuring data interoperability, and strengthening digital infrastructure. Workshops and technical meetings will be organized to gather input from provincial and local government representatives, IT professionals, and data management experts. The upgrading process will focus on creating need based online systems that are secure, user-friendly, and compatible across different levels of government. In addition, training programs will be conducted to build the technical capacity of government staff to operate and maintain the new systems effectively.

For sustainability, the PCU, in coordination with PPSUs and PRTAs, will establish a technical support mechanism to provide ongoing guidance and troubleshooting for the enhanced systems. The outcomes, best practices, and lessons learned from this activity will be documented and shared across all levels of government to support future digital governance initiatives. The PCU will also monitor the progress to ensure that the systems continue to meet the evolving needs of intergovernmental operations.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

#### 4, System\_Updated, 2000

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1510)

<u>Activity</u>: Provide training to DCC and local governments on the improved/updated information management system.

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Effective use of information management systems is crucial for improving governance and service delivery at the District Coordination Committees (DCCs) and Local Government (LGs) levels. With the recent development and updates of various systems and website of DCC and LGs, there is a pressing need to ensure that the staff at these levels are well-versed in their functionality and usage. This activity focuses on providing comprehensive training to DCCs and local governments to build their capacity in operating and managing the improved information management systems/ websites. The training will cover the key features, data management practices, and system interoperability mechanisms of the updated systems. By empowering local government officials with the necessary skills, this activity aims to promote more effective, data-driven decision-making and service delivery, ensuring that the benefits of digital transformation are fully realized at the local level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Program Coordination Unit (PCU) in coordination with the Provincial Program Support Unit (PPSU) and The Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs), will implement this activity. PCU will take the lead in organizing a series of training sessions, targeting staff from DCCs and local governments. Expert trainers or IT consultants with experience in information management systems and e-governance will be hired, as per the need, to conduct the sessions.

The training programs will be designed to cover both theoretical and practical aspects, including system navigation, data entry, report generation, and system maintenance. Interactive workshops and hands-on exercises will be integrated into the training to ensure participants gain a comprehensive understanding of the system's features. Additionally, follow-up support will be provided to address any issues that arise as the trainees start using the updated systems in their daily operations.

The PCU, in collaboration with PRTAs, will develop training manuals and guidelines that participants can use as reference materials. Feedback from the training sessions will be gathered to identify further support needs and improve future training programs. The outcomes and impact of the training will be monitored, and additional refresher sessions will be organized as needed to ensure continued effective use of the information management systems at the DCC and local government levels.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

8, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 12000

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1526)

<u>Activity</u>: Revise the procedures and online system of the DCC monitoring and LG progress review.

## To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective monitoring and review of local government (LG) progress are essential to ensure accountability, transparency, and improved service delivery. District Coordination Committees (DCCs) play a critical role in this process by overseeing, monioring and coordinating the activities of local governments. MoFAGA has approved the procedure and developed a system for this purpose. Orientation has been conducted DCC officials in last fiscal year which has helped collect various suggestions and feedback for improvement. Therefore, based on the need of revision, collected feedback, the existing procedures and online systems require revisions ensuring enhance their effectiveness, efficiency, and interoperability. This activity aims to update the procedures and upgrade the online system, focusing on streamlining data collection, analysis, and reporting. By revising the procedures and improving the online system, DCCs and local governments will be better equipped to monitor progress, identify challenges, and make informed decisions. This revision will contribute to more effective governance and enhance the overall impact of local-level programs and initiatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will implement this activity in collaboration with MoFAGA, and in communication with DCCs and LGs. The PCU will begin by compiling feedback received, assessing the current procedures and online systems used by DCCs for monitoring and progress review, identifying key areas for improvement. IT consultants and governance experts will be hired to facilitate the revision process and provide technical support.

Workshops and consultations will be conducted with stakeholders, including DCC representatives, local government officials, and data management experts, to gather input on the existing challenges and potential solutions. The consultants will then work on revising the procedures and designing an enhanced online system that ensures user-friendliness, data security, and compatibility with other government e-systems.

After the development of the revised procedures and upgraded online system, training programs will be organized to build the capacity of DCCs and local government staff in using the new system effectively. The PCU and PRTAs will provide continued technical support and monitor the implementation of the revised procedures and system, ensuring their sustainability and adaptability to the changing needs of local government monitoring and progress review. Feedback mechanisms will be established to gather insights from users and refine the system as needed.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

# 2, System\_Updated, 1000

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1502)

Activity: Strengthening and managing information systems at the local level.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: The digitalization of local services is a critical step toward enhancing the efficiency, transparency, and accessibility of public service delivery in Nepal. This ongoing activity aims to strengthen and manage information systems at the local level by ensuring the availability of skilled IT human resources in local governments. Recognizing the importance of sustainable digital transformation, PLGSP has been supporting the recruitment and retention of IT Officers by covering 75% of their remuneration. This cost-sharing model encourages local governments to take ownership by contributing the remaining 25%. By facilitating the deployment of IT professionals, this activity enhances local governments' capacity to implement, maintain, and improve digital services, ensuring that citizens benefit from streamlined and accessible e-governance solutions. Continuous support in managing information systems will not only improve service delivery but also build the foundation for a more connected, accountable, and inclusive governance system.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will collaborate with local governments to identify their specific IT human resource needs, prepare "ITO retention and engagement guideline" and facilitate the process of recruiting or retaining IT Officers at the local level. To support this process, the PCU will coordinate the provision of 75% of the remuneration for the IT Officers, while local governments will be required to contribute the remaining 25% to ensure their ownership and commitment to the digitalization initiative. The PCU will establish and monitor implementation of guidelines for the recruitment and remuneration process, ensuring consistency and transparency across all participating local governments.

Once IT Officers are in place, regular training and capacity-building programs will be conducted by the PCU, PPSU and PRTA to enhance the IT Officers' skills in managing information systems, implementing e-governance solutions, and troubleshooting technical issues. The PCU and PPSUs will monitor the progress of IT system management at the local level and provide technical support as needed. Additionally, periodic assessments will be carried out to evaluate the impact of this activity on the digitalization of local services and identify areas for further enhancement. Feedback mechanisms will be established to capture local governments' experiences and adapt the support provided to ensure the continued success of digital transformation initiatives

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Support Technical, 328684

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.6 (PLMBIS Number: 3.05.01.3501)

<u>Activity</u>: Enhancing the reserve fund management system through the Financial Comptroller General's Office (FCGO) at the provincial and local levels.

## To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Effective reserve fund management is crucial for the financial sustainability and good governance of provincial and local governments. This ongoing activity focuses on supporting the Financial Comptroller General's Office (FCGO) in strengthening public finance management systems at these levels. Building on previous efforts, PLGSP continues to assist the FCGO in the implementation and enhancement of the SUTRA (Sub-National Treasury Regulatory Application) system. The current phase aims to further improve revenue management by rolling out the revenue management component within SUTRA, thereby helping local governments (LGs) effectively collect, monitor, and manage their revenues. By enhancing the reserve fund management system, this activity contributes to improved financial discipline, accountability, and the capacity of LGs to deliver services efficiently and sustainably.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will collaborate with the Financial Comptroller General's Office (FCGO) to implement this activity, in partnership Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration (MoFAGA) and Ministry of Finance (MOF). The PCU will provide financial support to FCGO in developing and rolling out the enhanced revenue management component of the SUTRA system at the provincial and local levels.

Under this support FCGO will develop revenue component, organize training sessions for provincial and local government finance officers on the new functionalities of the SUTRA system. These training programs, facilitated by FCGO experts and IT professionals, will cover the usage, data entry, and monitoring features of the revenue management component to ensure its effective adoption. In addition, this support will help FCGO in addressing any issues encountered by local governments. PPSUs and PRTAs, on demand, will assist in providing hands-on support and guidance at the provincial level, helping LGs integrate the system into their financial management practices.

Regular monitoring of progress (financial and physical) will be done by PCU, in addition of review meetings with FCGO, PCU, and representatives from provincial and local governments to monitor progress, address challenges, and gather feedback. The outcomes of these monitoring and reviews will be documented to guide further refinements to the system and the support provided. Through this collaborative approach, the activity aims to enhance the overall capacity of LGs in managing their financial resources effectively, ensuring transparency and accountability in reserve fund management.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Support\_Logistic, 100000

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

## ASIPB Number: 0.1.3.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1500), To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Activity</u>: Analyzing the financial governance assessment results of provincial and local governments.

Narratives: Strong financial governance is crucial for the effective functioning of provincial and local governments, ensuring transparent, accountable, and efficient management of public resources. Over the past fiscal years, financial governance assessments have been conducted to evaluate the financial practices, budgeting processes, and fiscal management capacity of provincial and local governments. This activity aims to analyze the results of these assessments to identify strengths, gaps, and areas for improvement in financial governance. The analysis will provide valuable insights into the financial management practices at the sub-national level, guiding policy decisions and capacity-building initiatives. By understanding the current state of financial governance, this activity supports the development of targeted interventions to enhance public financial management (PFM) systems, promote GESI-sensitive budgeting, and ultimately contribute to more effective service delivery and good governance at the local and provincial levels.

Implementation Arrangement: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU) will implement this activity, where PCU will first collect the financial risk assessment reports from the relevant provincial and local governments. Based on the report of FRA ( at PG and LG), PCU will then hire public financial governance experts and analysts to conduct a comprehensive review and analysis of these reports. The analysis process will involve examining key indicators o FRA such as budget planning, execution, financial reporting, revenue management, and compliance with GESI-sensitive budgeting practices. The experts will identify trends, strengths, weaknesses, and best practices, generating an in-depth analysis report that highlights the financial governance status of provincial and local governments. Once the analysis is completed, the PCU in support of the hired experts, will prepare a model Fiduciary Risk Assessment Reduction Plan (FRRAP), and organize dissemination workshops to share the findings with key stakeholders, including provincial and local government officials, policymakers, and financial management professionals. These workshops will provide a platform for finalizing the model FFRRAP, discussing the results, gathering feedback, and exploring strategies for addressing identified gaps and enhancing financial governance practices.

The outcomes of this analysis will inform the design of future capacity-building programs, policy reforms, and technical support initiatives aimed at strengthening PFM systems at the sub-national level. The PCU, with support from PRTAs and PPSUs, will monitor the implementation of recommended actions and provide follow-up support to ensure continuous improvement in financial governance across provincial and local governments.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 1000

Output 3: Inclusive service delivery by Provinces and Local Governments strengthened through Tools & Systems for Capacity Development (LDTA/PRTAs), GESI, PFM/Fiscal federalism, ICT and others.

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.3.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1512)

Activity: Study on GESI-friendly basic service delivery to local areas.

To be implemented by: PCU

Narratives: Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) are essential components of effective and equitable service delivery at the local level. To ensure that basic services such as healthcare, education, water, sanitation, and social protection are accessible and inclusive, it is crucial to understand the existing gaps, challenges, and best practices in providing GESI-friendly services. This activity aims to conduct a comprehensive study on GESI-friendly basic service delivery in local areas. The study will assess how local governments address the diverse needs of different social groups, including women, children, elderly, people with disabilities, and marginalized communities. The findings will provide valuable insights into the current state of inclusivity in service delivery, highlighting areas for improvement and successful practices that can be scaled up. This evidence-based approach will guide the design of future policies and interventions, promoting more inclusive and responsive service delivery systems at the local level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit (PCU), in collaboration with the Provincial Research and Training Academies (PRTAs) and Provincial Program Support Units (PPSUs), will implement this activity. The PCU will hire GESI and service delivery experts to conduct the study, which will involve both qualitative and quantitative research methods, including surveys, interviews, focus group discussions, and field visits in selected local areas.

The study will cover various sectors of basic service delivery, examining factors such as accessibility, affordability, quality, and inclusiveness of services provided to different social groups. The experts will analyze the data collected to identify challenges, gaps, and effective practices in GESI-friendly service delivery. Upon completion of the study, the PCU will organize workshops with local governments, civil society organizations, and stakeholders to share the findings and discuss their implications. The study report, along with policy recommendations and strategies for enhancing GESI-friendly service delivery, will be published and distributed to relevant local governments and stakeholders.

The PCU, with support from PRTAs and PPSUs, will follow up on the implementation of the recommendations, providing technical assistance and capacity-building support to local governments in adopting GESI-responsive approaches in their service delivery. Continuous monitoring and feedback mechanisms will be established to track progress and ensure that local service delivery systems become more inclusive and equitable.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

1, Document formulated Study Report, 1000

Operational Cost

**ASIPB Number**: 0.1.10.1 Operational Cost (PLMBIS Number:)

**Activity: Operating expenses for the Program Coordination Unit.** 

To be implemented by: PCU

<u>Narratives</u>: To effectively fulfill its mandate, the PCU requires adequate operational resources to support activities such as planning, monitoring, stakeholder coordination, capacity building, reporting, and financial management. This activity encompasses the operational expenses necessary for the smooth functioning of the PCU, including administrative costs, office supplies, communication, utilities, transportation, and logistical support for program-related activities. By covering these operating expenses, the activity ensures that the PCU can maintain its operational efficiency, provide continuous support to provincial and local governments, and facilitate the successful implementation of PLGSP initiatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Program Coordination Unit will manage its budget for office operations, including administrative costs, utilities, equipment, communication, transportation, and staff logistics. The PCU will develop a detailed operational plan and budget for the fiscal year, outlining expected expenses and resource requirements. Regular monitoring and internal audits will be conducted to ensure that expenditures align with the approved budget and financial regulations of PLGSP/MOFAGA. The PCU will maintain transparent financial records, submit periodic expense reports, and provide justifications for the expenditures to ensure accountability and efficient use of resources.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000)

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## 5.2. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Koshi

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.554)

Activity: Support to draft provincial laws on exclusive right of province

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Significant number of frameworks and legislations are required to implement federalism successfully. This includes GESI responsive laws related to the operation of the PGs such as public and sectoral administration responsibilities and to enable issuance of necessary laws at the provincial level. As per the recommendations of provincial law study conducted in FY 23/24, there are many laws and regulations to be formulated and revised to make PG more effective and functional. These laws will give clarity on the division of responsibilities and operating procedures. Therefore, this activity will support the PGs to formulate essential law as well as to review and revise the existing law.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Programme Support Units (PPSU)/OCMCM in consultation with MoIAL, Chief Attorney General Office and line ministries will carry out the activities. Formulation and review of laws (acts, regulation and guidelines will be conducted in a consultative way considering main principal to make laws GESI responsiveness. This activity also includes to organize consultative meeting with PG officials, CSOs, GESI activators and citizens to Drafted law, will be forwarded to the Provincial Assembly and provincial cabinate for review and approval through the proper channel by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Law.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Document formulated Law, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.555)

<u>Activity</u>: Support Provincial Agencies (PG ministries) in drafting laws in consultation between LG, PG and FG in the areas of concurrent right

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: PG requires a significant number of frameworks and legislations to operate its functions and implement federalism successfully with a base of federal legislation. This includes Acts related to various assigned functions of provincial government based on the cuncurrent rights as stipulated in the constitution. With refrence to the provincial law study and reviewed unbundelling report 2081, there are many laws and regulations to be formulated in consultation with line ministries of federal government and local government to make PG more effective and functional. These laws will give clarity on GESI responsive the division of responsibilities and operating procedures in the province. Therefore, this activity will support the PGs to formulate essential new law based on the close consultation with federal government and local government in the area of cuncurrent rights.

Implementation Arrangement: The Provincial Programme Support Units (PPSU)/OCMCM in consultation with MoIAL, Chief Attorney General Office and line ministries will carry out the activities. Formulation of laws (acts, regulation and guidelines) under concurrent rights of PG, this will be conducted in a consultative way considering main principal to make laws GESI responsiveness. This activity also includes to organize consultative meeting with PG officials, local government, federal government's line ministries/agencies, CSOs, GESI activators and citizens to Drafted law, will be forwarded to the Provincial Assembly for review and approval.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document formulated Act, 700

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.556)

**Activity:** Support to provincial government in Revision of provincial act and regulations

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: In the FY 2023/24, PG has conducted the law study and have provided recommendations to make existing laws more effective and contextual. As per the constitutional provision, the PG has formulated a number of essential laws, regulations and guidelines for effective functioning of the provincial governance, public administration and public service delivery, and the process is still going on as a regular activity. In this context, the PG has struggled with several constraints from structural to human resources arrangement. Hence, due to urgency in the initial period of provincial government establishment several earlier essential laws and regulations formulation process missed the opportunities of wider public consultations. That has caused some inconsistencies in a number of laws, which are now being identified by the provincial law study report conducted in FY 2023/24 in support of PLGSP. The rationality of reviewing the laws is considered as per the revised cabinate unbundelling report which also provided clear areas for law revision and formulation. In this regard, the PLGSP, as per its objectives, has been providing the technical assistance in laws review process along with lobbying and encouraging the PG to make the revision work in a consultative manner as engaging both government and non-government actors in the p rocess of consultations and inputs and feed back collection. This activity will support the PGs to conduct laws review along with exercising the wider consultations with key stakeholders both at provincial and local levels. This process also seeks to facilitate bringing more clarity, consistency and ownership in revision work

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU in consultation with OCMCM, MoIAL and PG -ministers will carry out the activities. The priority and demand-based laws (acts, regulations, procedures, guidelines, etc.) will be identified, consulted and processed for review work in a consultative manner with engaging the key stakeholders. This activity will be conducted in coordination with OCMCM and MoIAL.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Document reviewed Act, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.625)

Activity: Support to draft Infrastructure policy of provicial government

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Nepal's infrastructure is still in its nascent stage, and the country faces significant challenges in providing basic infrastructure services such as roads, bridges, water supply, sanitation, and energy. In this scenario, no any other provinces in Nepal have formulated and implemented policy is accounted yet. A well-crafted infrastructure policy will help the provincial government prioritize infrastructure development, allocate resources effectively, and ensure that infrastructureprojects are aligned with the provincial vision and national development goals. The Koshi Provincial Government's vision for infrastructure development should be aligned with the national development goals, as outlined in the Nepal's Constitution and the National Planning Commission's Five-Year Plans. The provincial vision should prioritize infrastructure development which helps to promote economic growth, improves quality of life, fosters social inclusion: and protects the environment. In addition to this, Koshi province needs infrastructure policy because it provides the framework for infrastructure development, prioritizes infrastructure investments, enhances coordination and collaboration among three level and supports in result-based resource mobilization. In this regards Koshi Province Government has approach PLGSP to support in drafting of Provincial Infrastructure Policy to address various need and quality of infrastructure development sector.

Implementation Arrangement: The PPSU in consultation with OCMCM, MoPID, MoWSIEP and PG -ministers will carry out the activities. In the leadership of MoPID and MoWSIEP policy need and gap analysis with regards to Koshi province infrastructure will be carried out. Based on the analysis, the framework will be developed and drafted policy in a wider consultation with and engaging stakeholders, federal line ministries, local government and citizen. In the policy core area will be focused to address the GESI need and their prosperity. Drafted policy will be process forward by the MoPID for approval.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document formulated Policy, 1100

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.583)

**Activity:** Support to formulate/revision of PPSC operation laws.

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Public Service Commission is a constitutional body responsible for selecting, recruiting, and promoting civil servants in the province. Its primary objective is to ensure that the civil service is merit-based, transparent, and accountable to the people. The PPSC is also responsible for conducting examinations, interviews, and other selection processes to recruit candidates for various positions in the provincial and local government. In the context of Koshi Province, the PPSC has a crucial role to play in ensuring that the provincial government is staffed with competent and qualified personnel. The PPSC is responsible for recruiting and promoting civil servants of the provincial and government, including health, agriculture, education, infrastructure development, IT and law enforcement. To operate effectively, the PPSC in Koshi Province requires a legal framework. The Constitution of Nepal has provisioned for the establishment of PPSC in each province, and the Provincial Public Service Commission Act, 2018, provides the necessary legal framework for its operation. However, there is a need for further laws and regulations to operationalize the PPSC in Koshi Province. In this regard, PPSC has requested to support in formulation and revision of PPSC operation related legislations.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU in consultation with OCMCM and PPSC will carry out the activities for formulation and revisioning of PPSC operation laws. In the leadership of PPSC, the analysis of the need of operation law review and formulation of law will be workout and prepare the brief report. Bsed on the analysis report, the PPSC operationa related laws will be developed and drafted in consultation with Pubic Servince Commission, provincial and local level.. Drafted laws will be shared at provincial level meeting of stakeholders and final draft will be process forward by the PPSC for approval.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Document\_formulated\_Act, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.560)

**Activity:** GESI Sensetive Planning and Budgeting Orientation to PA members

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: GESI sensitive planning and budgeting is an approach to develop plans and budget that seeks to address gender and social disparities by integrating gender equality and social inclusion considerations into the periodic and annual planning and budgeting process. It aims to ensure that government plans and budgets are designed and implemented in a way that caters to the needs and priorities of all segments of society, including women, marginalized communities, and other vulnerable groups. As reviewed the plans and budget of provincial government through the GESI lenses, no compatibility and are not being able to address GESI principles with the evidence of effort towards promoting equality and inclusivity. The main functionaries of the province level are elected representatives (provincial assembly members) who should be responsible to address such equality and inclusivity in the province. As per the need of the province, each plan and budgeting should be GESI sensitive and which must be able to address the gender inequality and social exclusions. To build up the capacity of the provincial assembly members of Koshi province on GESI sensitive Planning and budgeting, three days orientation is planned for this FY.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will organize a three days orientation program on GESI Sensitive Planning and Budgeting Orientation Program in coordination and leadership of Provincial Assembly Secretariate (PAS). The orientation program will be facilitated by outsourced experts recruited by PPSU and OCMCM. PAS will coordinate with the PA members and finalize the orientation schedule and session topics.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-ER, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.673)

Activity: Development and Orientation of Internal control system Manual / Guideline of PGs

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: As per the provision in the financial procedure and accountability Act 2074 (clause 31), all provincial and local governments are required to establish and manage internal control systems. The Koshi province has not yet prepare updated provincial Internal control guidelines which is important for all provincial ministries and agencies to ensure transparency, accountability, and effective management of their daily operation. The implementation of internal control guidelines is essential to establish a robust system that prevents fraud, mismanagement, and misuse of funds. In the coordination with MoEAP, a provincial level task group will prepare the guideline and completes the approval process from provincial cabinet. In order to rollout and implement the guideline effectively, all provincial ministries and agencies will be oriented for its implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in coordination and leadership of Provincial Treasury Comptroller's Office (PTCO)/MoEAP forms a provincial task group to revise and formulate the provincial internal control guideline/manual and completes necessary actions during drafting such as analyzing provincial status, consultative meetings with federal agencies, provincial ministries and agencies and rollout the guideline after approval from province cabinet. PPSU/OCMCM will organize an orientation workshop to PG ministries and agencies staffs including responsible elected representatives for effective implementation.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Guideline, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.565)

**Activity:** Orientation program to implement CD plan of province

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: PLGSP Koshi have prepared draft Provincial Capacity Development Plan in last FY 2023/24 which needs further refining as per the provincial need through respective ministries and agencies. The provincial level task group will prepare consolidated plan for Koshi province and completes process of cabinet approval. PPSU will support all ministries and agencies for finalization of the plan and supports provincial task groups to consolidate the plan and finalization. After approval from cabinet, one day CD plan rollout and orientation for implementation will be organized for all sections of provincial ministries and agencies including elected representatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will form provincial task group in representation of all ministries to refining the draft provincial capacity development plan of Koshi province. All ministries and agencies will finalize their CD plan as per the realistic need and necessary budget revisions. Need of engaging outsource expert is depend on the decisions of PPSU in consultation with ministries. An orientation to all sections heads of ministries and agencies will be organized in detail for effective implementation. All training centers/institution of province will also be involved in the orientation program.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 300s

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.563)

**Activity:** RBM and Evaluation Managment Training to PG Staffs

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Result-based monitoring and evaluation management training is essential for Koshi Provincial Staffs because it enables them to design and monitor projects that deliver measurable results. This training equips staff with the knowledge and tools needed to plan for, and report on, their results effectively. Provincial Planning Commission of Koshi province need to establish the provincial result based management system and functions in order to implement periodic plan and annual plan more effectively, for better communication of results to all, make more effective targeting of capacity development interventions, make more realistic project schedules, make more useful evaluations and right use of the provincial resource, The PLGSP will support PPC to build the capacity for implementation of the result based management system and procedures. In this regards, PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with PPC will provide support to organize comprehensive training packages on result-based management to provincial staffs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM, in coordination with PPC and NPC, will prepare a comprehensive training packages for provincial staffs on result-based management of all programs and projects of provincial government. As much as possible, PPSU will coordinate NPC for availability of resource persons to facilitate the training. Based on the decision of PPSU and OCMCM, outsourced resource person will be involved to deliver the training package. The training will be organized at outside of Biratnagar.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.570)

Activity: Orientation to PG staffs on Annual Planning and budgeting schynchronizing to Periodic Plan

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Review of first periodic plans has shown that annual plans and programs were not been fully aligned with periodic plan's priorities and targets. Due to which results designed in the periodic plan were far away to achieve and implementation status of plan was not effective. Most of the small programs and projects were designed and implemented due to the political dominations and priorities. Therefore, synchronizing annual plans and programs with the periodic plan of the provincial government is essential for effective planning, coordination, and resource allocation, ultimately leading to better outcomes and results. In this respect, provincial staffs and elected representatives need to have enough capacity to lead and facilitate the process in preparing annual plans and budget of province government. Provincial Planning Commission (PPC)has demanded to PPSU to organize one slots of orientation program to PG staffs on Annual Planning and budgeting synchronizing to the second periodic plan of Koshi province. In the orientation program, all the PG staffs will be orientated on second periodic plan and its result frame work.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM, in coordination with PPC and NPC, will prepare a comprehensive orientation topics and sessions for provincial staffs. As much as possible, PPSU will coordinate PPC for managing experienced resource persons from NPC to facilitate the orientation program. Based on the decision of PPSU and OCMCM, outsourced resource person will also be involved to deliver the training package.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Orientation-Staff, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.600)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct training on Public Procurement Management, e-bidding, Procurement Planning etc. for PG's Officials

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: PPSU/OCMCM, in coordination with MoEAP/PTCO, will conduct a public procurement related TNA to identify areas of capacity development of related staffs of all ministries and agencies. Since various reports have showed week financial management and increasing volume of audit arrear in the province. Based on the TNA report and audit arrear statements of province, three to five days training course will be designed in technical support from PPMO and will deliver the training on Public Procurement Management, e-bidding, Procurement Planning for PG's Officials

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM, in coordination with MoEAP/PTCO and PPMO, will prepare a list of participants of the training. As much as possible, PPSU will coordinate PPMO for availability of resource persons to facilitate the training. Based on the decision of PPSU and OCMCM, outsource resource person will be involved to facilitate e-GP. The training will be organized for five days outside of Biratnagar.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Training-Staff, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.602)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation and support in evaluation programme on Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) of PGs

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: In order to make the government agencies 'financial system systematic, transparent, lawful and effective, it is necessary to identify potential fiduciary risk areas and mitigation measures and also institutionalize good governance practices. With this objective, Fiduciary Risk Assessment Procedure, 2078 has been formulated by MoEAP, Koshi Province and has been endorsed by the cabinet. Provincial ministries have already started the self-assessment and submitted it to the OCMCM. The FRA procedure is required to be institutionalized and owned by the provincial government. A portal is developed and ministry level orientation program has been organized. Based on the successful implementation of FRA at Province, it is necessary to make a review about the past assessment of fiduciary risk and its indicator for improvement. PPSU will organize one event of FRA orientation program to PG staffs before carrying out annual FRA of each ministries and agencies.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU/OCMCM in close coordination with MoEAP and Provincial Finance Comptroller's Office (PTCO), will organize a orientation program to PG staffs. The orientation program schedule will be developed on finding of last the assessment of provinces and ministries and work out for the better result and take the ownership. The event will be organized by the technical leadership of MoEAP/PTCO and the experts. PPSU/OCMCM will ensure the monitoring of operationalization of assessment on web portals on a regular basis after the orientation program

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event FRA Assessment PG, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.566)

**Activity:** Support to revise FRRAP guideline of Province.

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: A fiduciary risk is the risk that funds are not used for their intended purpose, do not achieve value of money, do not produce their expected results or are not properly accounted for. Koshi province have prepared Fiduciary Risk Assessment Procedure, 2078 and have been implementing. In course of implementation, there are many areas and indicators need to be revised for better and practical implementation. PPSU in coordination with PTCO and MoEAP will support to revise the Fiduciary Risk Assessment Procedure, 2078 including web-based portal. The revisioning of the procedure will also focus to enhance the ownership and institutionalization of the assessment process in provincial level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU/OCMCM in close coordination with MoEAP and Provincial Finance Comptroller's Office, will form task group of the related officials of the provincial ministries to revise the Fiduciary Risk Assessment Procedure, 2078 and draft of revised version of the procedure will make approved from provincial cabinet. Publication of final

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_reviewed\_Guideline, 150

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.569)

**Activity:** GESI Mainstreaiming (GRB, GBV, Workplace Harrassement)

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Koshi province is facing GESI related issues such as discriminatory plans and programs towards women and excluded groups, domestic and community violence against women and under privileged segment of the society, work place harassment. To address such issues, the legal framework and capacity development of province government is the priority area. Firstly, legal framework for provincial level such as formulation/updating provincial Gender Responsive Budgeting Guideline, Prevention of Gender Based Violence related guideline and code of conduct on Workplace Harassment is to be in the place. Secondly, capacity development of provincial staffs and provincial assembly members (elected representatives including CM and ministers) is another area of support to mainstreaming GEDSI in the province. PPSU will support to formulate required guidelines and to create safe and respectful works place for all provincial Code of Conduct preparation to mainstream the GEDSI in the provincial development along with orientation to PG staffs and Provincial Assembly Members on GRB, GBV and Code of Conduct against workplace harassment.

Implementation Arrangement: PPSU/OCMCM will conduct these activities in coordination with and technical support from MoSD. MoSD will be engaged in whole e-GP process for recruiting expert organization for drafting guideline on GRB and anti GBV and also preparing code of conduct for preventing workplace harassment, MoSD will carryout the process of endorsing draft guidelines and code of conduct from provincial cabinet. After approval of guideline and code of conduct, 2-3 days orientation program will be organized in coordination with MoSD to provincial staffs and PA members.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_GESI Strategy-PG, 700

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.561)

Activity: Support to prepare O&M of provincial ministries and agencies

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Conducting an O&M survey of provincial ministries and agencies is essential for human resource allocation, improving efficiency and effectiveness, and enhancing service delivery, ultimately leading to better governance and development outcomes. In Koshi province, the O&M survery has not been conducted and approved the report. Due to which, the number of staffs deployed is 53% out of total required number at province level. There is need of developing O&M report of each ministry along with its sections. PPSU will support provincial government to conduct the detail O&M survery and prepare the final report of provincial ministries, agencies and offices. Approved final report will be shared to PA and federal ministries.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will support PG to conduct O&M survey in close coordination with provincial ministries and agencies. For this, ministry level task group headed by province secretaries and provincial level task group in leadership of Principle Secretary will be formed and carry out the survey by respective ministries. Final consolidation and finalization of the O&M survey report will be carried out by provincial level task group. Provincial level task group will take action to approve the report from cabinet.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.562)

**Activity:** Support to prepare ToR of all sections of minitries and agencies.

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: In Koshi province, the ministries and agencies do not have complete ToR of its division/section and individual staffs. All ministries and agencies have their ToR which is need to revisit for making effective and accountable. Incomplete ToR of division and section hampered to deliver the quality services and functions from the ministries. Performance assessment of each section and division is not in practice yet which could be reference for further improvement in quality service delivery and performing better function. In this situation, ToR preparation is very important to clear the roles and responsibilities of individual, division, sections and offices, promoting accountability and transparency within the ministries, enabling staff to be held accountable for their performance and results, facilitates effective communication and coordination among staff members and sections, provides a clear basis for performance management, enabling supervisors to evaluate staff performance, Better Resource Allocation, helps to reduce confusion and overlapping of tasks and responsibilities, provides a solid foundation for institutional and individual capacity building and serves as a reference document, providing a clear record of roles and responsibilities. PPSU will support to prepare ToR of all ministries and its division and section including individual staffs in coordination with MoFAGA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement:</u> PPSU/OCMCM will support PG to prepare ToR of all division, sections and individual staffs in close coordination with provincial ministries and agencies. For this, ministry level support committee headed by respective province secretaries and provincial level support committee in leadership of Principle Secretary will be formed and consulting firm will carryout consultation and drafting works in support of support committees. The ToR preparation will be initiated only after approval of O&M report from cabinet. The final ToR will be submitted of respective ministries and agencies for implementation.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document formulated Study Report, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.567)

**Activity:** Support to Institutionalize Management audit of provincial ministries

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Management Audit is an important administrative tool to check compliance with the administrative reform initiatives, general acts and bylaws for the procedures and the operational activities that is undertaken by the respective entity. It is very important to smoothen the operation of every public organization and entity. Previously, MoFAGA had to set plan to execute the management audit of federal, provincial and local govt entities and report accordingly. Koshi Province has prepared its own management audit guideline and under process of approval from cabinet. The guideline is prepared based on the model provided by MoFAGA. In the last FY 2023/24, PLGSP has piloted to conduct management audit in 9 ministries and prepared and submitted reports to OCMCM for approval. In this FY, PPSU has planned to support provincial government to institutionalized management audit in all ministries and agencies of province. For institutionalization of the program, guideline approval and rollout as well as conduction of management audit as per the guideline is major activities will be supported from PPSU.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will support to form a task group of provincial staffs to review and finalize the guideline. OCMCM also forms the team of staffs to conduct the management audit in nine ministries and agencies. The audit report of each ministry and agencies will be shared in the provincial level workshop in presence of all ministers and CM. Principal Secretary will take key responsibilities for execution of audit in the province.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

9, Document Management Audit, 1200.06

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.607)

**Activity:** Conduct Workshop on Audit arrears settlement process for DCC and PLGs

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The audit arrear management in provincial and local levels lies in its ability to promote accountability, transparency, and good governance, ultimately leading to better financial management and more effective use of resources. In Koshi province, the volume of audit arrear is very high at local level and also have big volume of amount in provincial level compared to other provinces. The need of maintaining low level of audit arrear in the province is to be taken as prioritized actions. In this relation, PPSU is planned to support to enhance knowledge and skills of provincial, local and DCC level staffs on audit settlement process. The workshop will prioritize the major actions to be taken for reducing the arrears and establish the loose network of staffs of local and provincial level in coordination of PTCO.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU/OCMCM in close coordination with MoEAP and Provincial Finance Comptroller's Office (PTCO), District Treasury Comptroller Offices will organize two days orientation program to provincial, local and DCC staffs. The orientation program schedule will be developed on the basis of type and nature of audit arrears statement of five years. Two experienced resource persons from OAG will be hired in coordination with MoEAP. End of the event, each provincial ministries and local level will submit the arrear settlement action plan.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop-ER, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.19 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.612)

**Activity:** Support in implemation of Revenue Improvement Action Plan of PG

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The constitution has provided revenue collection authority to the three levels of government. Similarly, provincial and local governments are authorized to collect land revenue, property registration fee, vehicle tax, entertainment tax, advertisement tax, property tax, rent tax and business taxes. In order to explore the potential of increasing the own source of revenue of PG and to increase the internal income, provincial government revenue improvement action plan has been drafted in FY 2023/24 in Koshi province. In the leadership and technical support of MoEAP, draft revenue action plan will be retuned and customized for five years and taken into the process for cabinet approval. PPSU will support to form and operationalize provincial task group to accomplish these tasks in wider consultation with province and local level stakeholders.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: In coordination with MoEAP and PTCO, the PPSU/OCMCM will support to form a task group of provincial staffs to retune and customize draft provincial revenue action plan of Koshi province. The task group finalize the plan and facilitate to forward on ward of MoEAP for cabinet approval process. One event of provincial level rollout workshop will be organized to orient and share the five years Revenue Improvement Action Plan of Koshi province to provincial and local government staffs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document RIAP, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.20 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.576)

**Activity:** Support to institutionalize the Project Bank at Province level

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: A project bank is a centralized repository of project proposals, ideas, and concepts that are prioritized, vetted, and approved for implementation by a Provincial Planning Commission or ministry. It serves as a single source of truth for all project-related information, providing a comprehensive overview of projects across various sectors, areas, themes, and geographical locations. Provincial Planning Commission of Koshi province have established project bank digital system and brought into operation from last FY 2023/24. The capacity need for the effective operationalization of project bank system is high. PPSU in coordination with the PPC, the orientation will be provided to provincial ministry and agency staffs for institutionalization of project bank in the province. As per the demand from PPC, PPSU does not limit the support to capacity development only but will extend for logistic and required system application and other capacity development activities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will provide supports to Provincial Planning Commission of Koshi province for institutionalization of provincial project bank. The support package will be developed in coordination with PPC including various capacity development packages to bring project bank into function for institutionalization at Koshi province. Regular monitoring from Koshi cabinet will be insured and shared the monitoring outcomes to other ministries and agencies

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document Periodic Plan-PG, 200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.21 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.573)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction between elected women representatives of provincial assembly and local government (deputy) on judiciary work performance of province.

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Women elected representatives of the provincial and local levels play a crucial role in ensuring the delivery of quality judiciary services to citizens. By organizing interaction programs between these representatives and legal authorities, the focus can be on improving the judiciary's work performance and addressing various social issues that disproportionately affect women and marginalized groups. These interaction programs can serve as a platform for women representatives to engage with judiciary officials to advocate for policies and programs aimed at combating social issues such as child marriage, domestic violence, dowry practices, gender discrimination, and ensuring equal access to justice for all citizens. Through these engagements, women representatives can contribute to the formulation of inclusive policies that prioritize the needs of vulnerable groups and promote gender equality and social justice. At the provincial level, women elected representatives can leverage their positions to influence policy-making processes, allocate resources towards improving judiciary services, and advocate for legal reforms that protect women's rights and promote access to justice. Similarly, at the local government level, women representatives can work closely with grassroots communities to identify gaps in judiciary services, raise awareness about legal rights, and facilitate access to legal aid services. By collaborating with local authorities and judiciary officials, they can ensure that maintain of rules of law in their local level. With this scope, PPSU is planned to support to organize one event of interaction program between women elected representatives and deputy chief of local government to discuss about the mentioned issues and seek the right way of addressing them. The interaction program will also form a provincial level loose network of elected women representatives to establish the platform to discuss about the judiciary functions and such issues along with the way of addressing them.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with Province Assembly Secretariate prepare schedule and content of the interaction the meeting including setting agendas, communicating to participants and facilitate the interaction program. At the end of the interaction program loose province network of women representatives from provincial and local level will be formed under chair of Deputy Speaker of PA. The decisions of the meeting will be circulated to all provincial ministries, agencies and DPs.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.22 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.574)

Activity: Formulation of Egovernance related policy and laws for PLGs of Koshi province

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Koshi province has not yet formulated e-Gov policy and laws to execute digitization of provincial and local government operations and functions. Formulating e-governance related policy and laws for PLGs in Koshi province is essential to leverage technology for improving governance, operating daily activities, enhancing service delivery, promoting transparency, and empowering citizens. By embracing digital transformation, PLGs can enhance their effectiveness, responsiveness, and accountability, ultimately driving sustainable development and inclusive growth in the region. Therefore, PPSU/OCMCM has planned to support Provincial Government to formulate provincial e-Governance Policy and laws including implementation support in Koshi province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Program Support Units (PPSU)/OCMCM in consultation with MoIAL, MoFAGA, DoIT will carry out the activities for formulating e-Gov Policy and IT related 2 laws. PPSU will follow the e-GP for recruiting consulting firm through open bidding for the purposes. Formulation and of laws will be conducted in a consultation with PLG.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 1200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.23 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.559)

**Activity:** Facilitate to conduct digital system based GESI audit in provincial ministries

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The program aims to make sure to mainstream GESI at provincial level right from the start in all governance systems, procedures, and processes and at every stage of program implementation, monitoring/evaluation, and reporting. It is planned to conduct a GESI audit through the auditing portal developed last FY 2023/24 of the nine provincial ministries in this FY. This will identify the existing gap in the policy, program & budget, monitoring, and evaluation of the provincial government and the way forward to mainstream GESI. PPSU will provide support to recruit and mobilize GESI expert and IT system developer team to conduct the

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPIU in consultation with the OCMCM and MoSD makes detail work plan and will hire external experts or firm to conduct digital system based GESI audit in nine ministries. PLGSP will provide required technical support to GESI focal persons of PG regularly. The findings of the GESI audit will be shared and discussed to sensitize the provincial ministries. Provincial government will prepare plan of action for effective mainstreaming GESI in all aspects of the program including planning, budgeting, monitoring and reporting including for formulating policies.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

13, Document\_GESI Audit-PG, 700.05

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.24 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.575)

<u>Activity</u>: Support in establishment and rollout of government office automation and other system, website and services delivered from the Department of Information Technology

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Establishing and rolling out integrated office automation in provincial and local government is most needed for optimizing efficiency, reducing operational costs, and enhancing service delivery. The Department of Information Technology (DoIT) plays a pivotal role in providing technical support to this process by spearheading the implementation of various systems, websites, and services. Automation eliminates manual, paper-based processes, reducing the time and effort required for routine tasks. This leads to improved productivity among government employees, allowing them to focus on more strategic and value-added activities. By automizing official processes, PG and LG can significantly reduce operational costs associated with manual labor, paperwork, and errors. This helps in optimizing budget allocations and utilizing resources more effectively. Automated systems ensure consistency and accuracy in data management, reducing the risk of errors and noncompliance with regulations. This is important for maintaining the integrity of government operations and enhancing transparency, enables faster response times, streamlined workflows, and better coordination among departments ultimately contributes to improving service delivery system. In this avenue, PPSU will support 9 Provincial Ministries and 6 agencies for the establishment and operationalization of DoIT intervened integrated office automation and other IT related systems and portals in the provincial ministries, agencies and offices in Koshi province to make IT friendly office management system.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will coordinate with Department of Information Technology (DoIT) and prepare the packages covering DoIT developed IT systems for functions and functionaries of Koshi province. Based on the package, DoIT will provide the technical support to establish integrated office automation in all ministries and agencies with digital signature of responsible level of officials. PPSU also organize various IT system operation related capacity development program for the provincial officials.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

15, Document\_Operational Procedure, 800.1

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.25 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.578)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development training to PLGs staffs on digital technologies areas like:-office management tools, data management, security audit, Gov.cloud, and cyber security

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: As per the learning acquired and demands from the provincial and local government to enhance the organizational capacity in the areas of e-governance, provincial and local government are in need of various trainings on office management tools, data management, security audit, government cloud management and operation and cyber security for developing capacity of their staffs. Supporting to organize said trainings to provincial and local government staff on these key areas not only enhances their individual skills and knowledge but also strengthens the overall resilience and security of government operations. These training programs focused on office management tools, data management, security audit, Government cloud, and cybersecurity, government institutions can better protect sensitive information and improves operational efficiency, and mitigate cyber threats effectively. In this regard, PPSU provides support to organize all the listed trainings to responsible staffs of provincial and local government in 3 events.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with the PCU and DoIT, organizes 3 events of capacity development training for PG and LG staffs on mentioned systems. PPSU will manage the resource person from service providing institutions and agencies. The monitoring and observation of the training will be carried out by OCMCM.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-Staff, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.26 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.577)

<u>Activity</u>: Province-level interaction program (with elected representatives of LGs) on areas of coordination in the field of IT, e-Governance, and data management between three levels of government

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: PPSU has planned to organize one event of two days long province-level interaction program involving elected representatives of Local Governments (LGs) focusing on coordination in the areas of IT, e-Governance, and data management which is realized important activity in promotion of e-governance in the province. This interaction program essential for several reasons ie, firstly, in the contemporary digital era, incorporating IT solutions and e-Governance practices is essential for efficient and transparent governance. By organizing such interactions program between PG and LG can facilitate knowledge sharing, best practices, and capacity building among different levels of government. This can lead to the adoption of standardized IT systems, enhancing coordination, and promoting interoperability across province. Secondly, effective data management is a cornerstone of good governance. Establishing a platform for discussions on data management practices ensures consistency, accuracy, and security of government data. This can not only improve decision-making processes but also enhance service delivery to citizens by enabling better accessibility to relevant information. Furthermore, promoting collaboration between the provincial government and LGs in these areas can help in avoiding duplication of efforts and resources. By aligning IT strategies and e-Governance initiatives, both level of government can streamline processes, reduce costs, and increase overall efficiency in service delivery. Lastly, this interaction programs can support to develop a culture of innovation and continuous improvement. By bringing together elected representatives from different levels of government, opportunities for brainstorming, idea exchange, and exploring new IT approach and strategies can be created. Based on the importance of the program, PPSU contributes to organize one event of interaction program involving elected representatives and will discuss about the IT related coordination, local and provincial data management and e-governance promotion for the local and provincial level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The program will be organized in close coordination with the PRTA, PCU and DoIT. The facilitators for the program will be recruited from outsourced and DoIT. PPSU/OCMCM will prepare detail report highlighting further needs, need of legal farmwork and expectation of local government representatives to make local government e-governance friendly. The report of the workshop will be disseminated to all local government and provincial government.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-ER, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.27 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.579)

**Activity:** Update the PPSC online recruiment system (integration with e-payment system)

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Public Service Commission is a constitutional body responsible for selecting, recruiting, and promoting civil servants in the province. Its primary objective is to ensure that the civil service is merit-based, transparent, and accountable to the people. The PPSC is responsible for conducting examinations, interviews, and other selection processes to recruit candidates for various positions in the provincial and local government. PPSC has operationalized online application digital system for candidates to make ease to apply online for the job post from three years. In course of using online system for application, PPSC have received feedback to make provision of online e-payment for making payment of fees upon job application. PPSU will support PPSC to update online recruitment system integrating e-payment facility and other required facilities for candidates.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will coordinate with PPSC and system developer for the purpose of updating the existing online application system. For customization and updating of the system, the system developer will be hired and PPSC will mobilize for the purpose. The final testing will be carried out and approve the system for final payment.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Operational Procedure, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.28 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.580)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to establish a digital platform for information sharing among three tier of government

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: In the Koshi province, data management and sharing system is lack due to which data errors, duplication, authenticity and inconsistency is found in reporting system. Provincial and local level of Koshi province maintains its own data, leading to duplication of efforts, inconsistencies, and inefficiencies. Citizens are often left in the dark about government decisions, policies, and programs, leading to mistrust and dissatisfaction. Without access to accurate and up-to-date information, decision-makers of PLG may make uninformed decisions, leading to poor outcomes. Due to lack of strong data of provincial and local level affected planning and budgeting system. Therefore, PPSU is planned to support provincial government to establish digital plant for information and sharing among Federal, Provincial and Local government. In this digital platform the program will cover broader features like developing a robust data management system, design the platform to provide access to information on government policies, programs, decisions, survey data, study reports, baseline data, profile etc. establish standardized data exchange protocols (Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), data warehouses, or other data integration technologies) and implement data validation and verification processes.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in consultation with PCU and PLGs prepare a concept note for establishing digital platform for information sharing. The note will clearly identify support areas and functional structures and required budgets for the programs implementation. To operate the digital platform, operational guideline will be prepared and approved from concerned authority. The program will implement in close coordination with ITOs and provincial IT officials.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Operational Procedure, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.29 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.591)

Activity: Support to disseminate program achievements through media engagement

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: PLGSP has been instrumental in supporting various initiatives within the local and provincial governments. To inform these works and share the achievement of PLGSP media mobilization is importantly considered in for this FY. It is planned to mobilize the media in each major program activities and disseminate the information about the ongoing program, achievement and future plan through newspapers, TV broadcasting and social media will promote the positioning of PLGSP in the province. In this FY, PPSU will engage and mobilize the different media house in the program including in joint monitoring visits. A compiled report of the year will be presented by the selected media to PPSU at the end of the FY.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM/PPSU team will prepare concept notes and ToR. A professional media firm with high-quality performance will be hired in coordination with the provincial ministries. The media firm will visit the program implementation site, collect the information and publish and broadcast in public and government channel. To ensure the accuracy and authenticity of the publication and broadcasting, a rigorous review process will be implemented before going through the process. Media firm will provide consolidated annual report to PPSU before end of FY.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Publication\_Learning Modules (Document), 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.4.30 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.572)

**Activity:** Organize review and coordination meeting with Development Partners

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives:</u> Development Partners (INGOs and Donor) working in the province are also contributing to promote the governance and capacity in province and local government. With a purpose to bring synergy effect in the governance and capacity development programs, managing program duplication and bring under governance and CD framework in the province, one event of coordination meeting with DPs is planned for this FY. The meeting will be led by Principal Secretary of Koshi Province or Provincial Program Director (Secretary) of PLGSP/OCMCM. PPSU will support to organize at least one event of coordination meeting of Development Partners in the participation of all DPs, representatives of NARMIN, MUAN, ADDCN, provincial secretaries of all ministries and provincial officials. The priorities and effort will be given to engage Chief Minister during the inauguration program.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will coordinate the meeting including setting agendas, communicating to DPs and facilitate the meeting. The meeting will be organized in presence of Principal Secretary, provincial secretaries of ministry and working DPs of province. The decisions of the meeting will be circulated to all provincial ministries, agencies and DPs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 400

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.581)

Activity: Conduction of Provincial Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Steering Committee is an apex and the governing body of PLGSP in the province and provides strategic guidance to the PPSU and PRTA in terms of policy, contents and activities. Also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programs on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) will meet at least once in a trimester basis to review progress and address issues and problems encountered during implementation of the activities. It also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programs on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Steering Committee (PSC) is formed under the chair of Hon'ble Chief Minister.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in coordination with PPD and Principal Secretary will prepare concepts including the agenda, schedule and updated list of members. PPSU will further facilitate the organization of the meeting and inform participants including necessary logistic and event management support. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and shared with concerned stakeholders as appropriate.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 600

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.582)

Activity: Conduction of Provincial Council (PCC) Meeting and support to sectoral committee

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Coordination Council is provisioned under the Federal, Provincial and Local Levels (Coordination and interrelations) Act, 2077, Clause 24 and 25. The inner spirit of this provision is to consult on the issues (dividend of resources, consultation on formulating law/act/guideline on exclusive and concurrent powers, identifying strategic areas for mutual benefit, developing functional relationship & policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues if any) between provincial and local governments. Besides, this council meeting would tie up the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the provincial and local governments. Koshi Province has formed a sectoral committee in sixth council meeting to make the role of provincial council committee more functional and active. To make the sectoral committee active and functional, PPSU need to support them in the operationalization of meetings, decisions sharing and drafting strategy and approach for resolving emerging and prevailing issues and problems in between provincial and local government. This activity will support the OCMCM, the secretariat of the Provincial Coordination Council (PCC), to conduct the meeting effectively in setting agendas and giving resolutions. The PPSU will support in strengthening the PCC Secretariat at OCMCM, in drafting the agendas, implementing the decisions, finding out the common issues, strengthening sectoral committees in PG as well as recording minutes and disseminating the decisions to all concerned.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU/OCMCM will identify the issues/agendas to be discussed in PCC together with the consultation of PGs, LGs, LGs Associations and others that benefit all. One event of PCC meeting will organize under the chair of Chief Minister. In this connection, PPSU will assist the Secretariat in developing a concept note along with budgeting and expected outcomes for the implementation of PCC decisions. The PPSU will assist in dissemination of the meeting minutes (decisions) of the PCC and provide supports to operationalization of Sectoral Committees.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.568)

**Activity:** Joint Monitoring visit to LG

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The success of any development project hinges on its effective implementation and the impact it has on the intended beneficiaries. In line with this, PLGSP has implemented various activities both at local and provincial levels. The Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) program is one such program implemented in the PLGSP first phase and this FY at the local level and PLGSP recognizes the importance of continuing monitoring visits to the LG level to assess the impact made by the IPF projects and provide feedback for the project's sustainability. Likewise, many other activities are rolled out at the local level which is led by PCGG and provincial governments which needs routine monitoring. The monitoring visit is a crucial component and the feedback obtained during the monitoring visit will be shared with the beneficiaries/LGs/stakeholders/partners associated with the project. This will provide an opportunity to engage in regular interactions and share findings. The findings of the monitoring visit will also be briefed to the PCC, OCMCM, and other relevant entities. In this regard, PPSU will organize 20 events of monitoring visit to local government engaging representatives from provincial ministries, NARMIN, MUAN, press medias and CSO.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: For the monitoring of IPF projects, the PPSU will coordinate with the IPF Board/ Technical Committee under OCMCM and organize monitoring visits on a regular basis for IPF-funded projects. A total of 20 events of Joint monitoring visit will be organized in presence of provincial officials, press media, CSO, NARMIN and MUAN representatives. During the visit, the team will assess the impact of the projects and programs and review the results generated, identify any challenges encountered, and provide timely feedback to relevant stakeholders for the sustainability of the project and programs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

20, Visit\_Monitroring, 600

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.584)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to organize Provincial Administrative Coordination Council Meeting and dissimination of decisions.

#### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: A high-level Administrative Reform Study was conducted by provincial government in order to review the status of administrative system and outline the gaps in the areas of service delivery sectors. The report has strongly recommended to form Provincial Administrative Coordination Council (PACC). Likewise, a federalism implementation status review was conducted by the secretariate of House of representatives of federal government. The report also has recommended to form the Provincial Administrative Coordination Council in the chair of Principal Secretary. As per the recommendations from both review, three events of PACC meetings were organized last FY which was very effective to discuss and collect the administrative issues of each local government and share updates from provincial and federal government. PPSU will support to organize three events of PACC and disseminate the decisions and notes to all provincial and local governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will coordinate with local government and organize three events of Provincial Administrative Coordination Council Meeting at different places out of Biratnagar. The agendas for the meeting will be developed by Governance Reform Section and disseminate the decisions and key take away of the meeting.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 900

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.585)

<u>Activity</u>: PG and LG interaction on implementation status of federalism and issues on IGR (revenue management, local economic development and employment generation)

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Constitution provisioned Coordination, Cooperation and Co-existence among the three tire of government which is a guiding principle to implement federalism in Nepal. The intergovernmental relationship and coordination are guided by this principle. The Constitution also provisioned concurrent rights for three levels of government where interrelationship, coordination and cooperation are ensured in the areas of policy and legislations, development interventions and joint effort for the spatial development. As per the constitutional provision in article no 232 and 235, PPSU / OCMCM will organize interaction programs between PG and LG on different issues related to implementation status of federalism and intergovernmental relationship and coordination. The role of the provincial and local government in the areas of revenue management, promotion of local economic development for citizens' prosperity and employment generation are issues to be discussed in the interaction workshop in relation to the IGR. PPSU will support to organize 7 events of interaction workshops at different venue.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will develop the program concept note and work schedule and discuss in a team of ministerial secretaries. Thematic experts will be hired through the procurement process and hold a pre workshop meeting for finalization. The Chief Minister and Principal Secretary will monitor the program. In the workshop, emerging intergovernmental issues, federalism implementation status, LG and PG collaborative actions for revenue management, local economic development and employment generation. will be the priority agendas for discussion and interaction. PPSU will organize seven events of the interaction workshops in different venue. The decisions and actions will be documented and a detailed report will share to all stakeholders.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

7, Event\_Orientation-ER, 1050

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.586)

**Activity:** IPF Orientation to local government

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: The PPSU/OCMCM will establish Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) to support innovations in service delivery, Local Economic Development and Governance at LGs. The core objectives of IPF are: i) to promote innovative approaches to governance with focus on strengthening downward accountability, transparency, participation, gender and social inclusion; ii) to establish relationship between local governments and provincial governments in the spirit of cooperative federalism; The rationale for establishing IPF is to create space for innovation with regards to delivering public goods along with strengthening good governance principles are promoted. Based on the above justification, PPIU will organize orientation programs to LGs with supporting them to develop concept note and full proposal for applying IPF schemes.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with MoFAGA/PLGSP/PCU will mobilize innovative partnership fund in local governments on cost sharing basis to implement innovative scheme on cost sharing basis as per proposal submitted by local governments. PPIU in coordination with IPF Technical Committee and PCU will organizes 14 events of concept note and proposal preparation orientation to the local government officials.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

14, Event\_Orientation-ER, 1400

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.587)

**Activity:** Operational cost for IPF implemention

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

<u>Narratives:</u> PPSU/OCMCM will carry out the provincial IPF guideline preparation, approval, IPF bidding process including orientation to the local and provincial government on IPF implementation guideline. Based on the provided reference guideline from MoFAGA, Koshi province will formulate the provincial guideline for IPF implementation. To operationalized step wise process there is need of budget for pre and post project selection activities. PPSU will support the operation cost for this purpose.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will incurred the operational expenses for carryout the activities other than the budget allocated for IPF orientation and IPF implementation. The activities such as communication, DSA, TA, meeting allowances for technical committee, Foods, tea and snacks, stationaries, cost for formulating provincial IPF guideline within the norms of GoN.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

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Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.593)

**Activity:** Implemention of IPF schems in LG

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: New 5 IPF schemes will be implemented in LGs of Koshi Province by calling concept note and full proposals from LGs as per the IPF guidelines formulated by Province in coordination with PLGSP. The core objectives of IPF are: i) to promote innovative approaches to governance with focus on strengthening downward accountability, transparency, participation, gender and social inclusion; ii) to establish relationship between local governments and provincial governments in the spirit of cooperative federalism; and iii) to bring in innovations in service delivery particular on local economic development. PPSU/OCMCM will follow all the required steps of procurement process and insure all the financial and administrative compliances. The contract award will be done by OCMCM.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: LGs will share minimum 25-30% on IPF scheme on sharing basis while OCMCM will share remaining. The program will be implemented in coordination with MoEAP, PPC and PTCO. OCMCM will take lead role for adopting all procurement process.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Support\_Logistic, 32100

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.596)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize interaction among Provincial DCC Federation, NARMIN and MUAN to ensure effective collaboration

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: PLGSP is a national farmwork program for strengthening capacity of provincial and local government in Nepal and implemented in all provinces and local government. The success of the program is laid on the joint actions of all stakeholders of federal, provincial and local level. The coordination, collaboration and joint action is important to make success of the program in second phase. In this regard, organizing an interaction program among the key stakeholders like Provincial ministries, ADDCN, NARMIN, MUAN involved in the PLGSP implementation is essential for exploring potential areas of collaboration, identify shared interests, and develop joint initiatives that can enhance the impact and sustainability of the PLGSP. PPSU will support to organize provincial level interaction workshop in this regard to bring synergetic actions in PLGSP implementation in the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement:</u> PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with PCU will organize one event of the interaction workshop between Provincial ministries, DCC Federation, NARMIN and MUAN to ensure effective collaboration in PLGSP implementation. The workshop will be facilitated by outsourced experts. The decisions of the workshop will be shared to all stakeholders.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Interaction, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.618)

Activity: Establishment of Virtual training hall and digital library in PRTA

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) is established with required legislation and functions by Koshi province to deliver and support to develop the institutional and individual capacity of provincial and local government in the province. In support of the PLGSP it has been functioning and delivering various capacity development related activities during the first phase of PLGSP. The need of modernization of the PRTA is a prime important for making more qualitative and quantitative delivery. PRTA should make provision of different IT based facilities for the provincial and local government elected representatives and staffs. In this connection, establishing a Virtual Training Hall and Digital Library is essential for modernizing training and capacity development delivery. These digital platforms offer numerous advantages that optimize the learning experience, promote knowledge sharing, and enable efficient monitoring and evaluation of training programs. By leveraging technology in training delivery and capacity development, the academy can better equip professionals with the skills and knowledge needed to address contemporary challenges and drive sustainable capacity development service delivery in the province. By implementing a Virtual Training Hall and Digital Library, participants can access training materials and resources anytime, anywhere. This ensures flexibility in learning and allows individuals to engage in training activities at their own convenience. This accessibility is particularly important for professionals who may have busy schedules or limited access to physical training facilities. PRTA will open the access to other interested participants other than the PG and LG staffs abide to the guideline and norms. PPSU in coordination with PRTA and PCU, will support to establish well equipped virtual training hall and digital library along with capacity development initiatives for the staffs to operate them.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in coordination with PRTA and PCU will develop the concept and specification of devices for establishing virtual training hall and digital library. PPSU will follow e-GP for procuring items and services. The capacity development initiatives will be supported to the staffs of PRTA to operate the system. PCU and PPSU will monitor the operationalization of the system. PRTA will develop the operation guideline for both facilities.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Implemented, 1900

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.617)

Activity: Develop PRTA's 5 years strategy/periodic plan

To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) an semi autonomy body of provincial government is established and functioning to deliver and support to develop the institutional and individual capacity of provincial and local government in the province. PRTA is also considers as a training academy assigned to lead capacity development framework of Koshi province. The academy needs it clear functions and functionaries to deliver the assigned responsibilities and services to the PLGs. To bring PRTA into effective function, there is need of long term visions and operational tools which will provide right direction towards the success. Therefore, PPSU will support PRTA to develop its five years strategy paper with long term plans which enable to perform full functions.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in close coordination with PRTA, will develop the necessary documents and carryout procurement process to recruit experienced institutions to prepare the documents. Over all process of drafting strategy paper and long term plan by the experienced institution will be carryout in the leadership of PRTA. PRTA will be responsible to approve the documents.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Periodic Plan-PG, 800

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 1.1.6.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.623)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction programme with provincial training centres ( Education, Health, Forest, Agriculture, vetenary, Industry, CTEVT etc)

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PPSU

Narratives: Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) is established and functioning to deliver and support to develop the institutional and individual capacity of provincial and local government in the province. PRTA is also considers as a training academy assigned to lead capacity development framework of Koshi province. Since its establishment, various training programs have been conducting to build the capacity of provincial and local government staffs in the Koshi province. In the same purpose, various training institutes and centers are also delivering same nature of sectoral trainings to staffs and individuals of government entities of Koshi province. The quality consistency and training courses designing were different and diversified which have resulted inconsistency in the training content management and quality delivery. Provincial framework is needed to regulate the training content and quality delivery management in the province. In this purpose, five events of interaction meetings among different training service delivery institutions in Koshi province is essential for maintaining consistency in training quality delivery and curriculum uniformity. By promoting collaboration, communication, and alignment, these meetings enable institutions to improve their training programs, stay relevant in a rapidly changing approaches, and ultimately, better serve the needs of learners and provincial and local government. PPSU in coordination with PRTA and LDTA will organize five events of interaction meeting in the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM in close coordination with PRTA jointly organize 5 events of interaction program with provincial training centers (Education, Health, Forest, Agriculture, veterinary, Industry, CTEVT) and make consensus on training quality and content management. The decisions and framework will be shared to the provincial ministries. The interaction program will be facilitated by LDTA and PRTA jointly.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Interaction, 1000

## 5.3. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Koshi

Outcome 3: Local governments have capacity for Good Governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.588)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize review and follow up workshop with LGs on LISA/FRA ( This activity will connect with coaching and mentoring)

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Local Government capacity for transparent and accountable PFM, Procurement and Fiduciary Risk Management strengthend

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will conduct orientation at least cluster basis with inviting CAO/Administration focal person/Planning section/Elected Representatives 2 persons from each LGs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 3000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.590)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct capacity building training to DCC elected member and staffs on Result-based monitoring, supervision and reporting based on their roles and responsibilities

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The capacity of DCC members/staffs 's capacity for result-based monitoring, supervision and reporting enhanced

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will organize workshop cluster basis for all 14 DCCs of Koshi Province

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.592)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize capacity building workshop to LGs and concerned stakeholders on transformative change focusing to GESI resposiveness, Civic engagement and LNOB issues

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Capacity of local government organization, elected representatives and staffs strengthened and systems in place for continuous monitoring and adaptation of CD demand strategy and plans as a long-term transformative support process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will identify/list out the relevant stakeholders for LGs. The workshop will be organized cluster basis whereas the LGs and concerned stakeholders will be directly benefited.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1600

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.594)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize cpacity building workshop for IT officers of LGs on promoting e-governance and accountability and GESI responsiveness

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Local Government capacity for Digitization, Information, Technology and Data management strengthened

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The IT officers of LGs will invite and provide training, this training will also organized cluster basis as far as possible collaboration with IT and e.governance analyst

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.597)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize training on Participatory Evidence Based Action Research to PRTA staffs and selected LGs to conduct Research

### To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: CD services outreach strategies and modalities developed and embeded within the PRTA organization systems and capacities

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will provide the capacity building training to its selected and committed staffs on participatory evidence based Action Research)

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 800

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.599)

Activity: Organize orientation and follow up meeting with LGs on RIAP

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

**Narratives:** LG able to do an effective and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The RIAP of the respective LGs will be reviewed where the PRTA had supported in the last fiscal year to assess its effectiveness

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 4000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.601)

**Activity:** Organize review and follow up workshop of capacity development plan and its effective utilization in LGs

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Capacity of local government organization, elected representatives and staffs strengthened and systems in place for continuous monitoring and adaptation of CD demand strategy and plans as a long-term transformative support process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will conduct review workshop of CD plan where PRTA has supported till now in a cluster basis and discuss on effectiveness of CD Plan for LGs

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 2400

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.605)

Activity: Support to Prepare Periodic Plan of LGs and follow up

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

**Narratives:** LG able to do an effective and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will collect the demand from the LGs and implement based on cost-sharing modality

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Document\_Periodic Plan-LG, 7000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.608)

**Activity:** Support to Prepare MTEF and follow up

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

**Narratives:** LG able to do an effective and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will collect the demand from the LGs and implement based on cost-sharing modality

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Document\_MTEF, 3000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.610)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct Orientation/Training on Public Assets Management System (PAMS) for LGs and provide coaching and mentorting

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: LG able to do an effective and efficient inclusive Medium-Term and annual budgeting process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The store-keepers of LGs will invite and provide training

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 2500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.614)

Activity: Organize capacity building training to planning section staffs Ward Secretary elected representative on Integrated Result based GESI responsive planning and implementation of LGs /

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

Narratives: LG able to do an effective and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will conduct workshop in cluster basis and enhance the capacity.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training-Staff, 3200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.615)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize Orienation on international Control System (ICS) for LGs and facilitation of ICS procedure (Coaching and Mentoring

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

Narratives: LG able to do an effectie and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

**Implementation Arrangement:** The PRTA will formulate the ICS guideline as per demand from LG

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 2400

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.620)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity building on Child, PWD and Senior citizen Friendly Local Governace, workplace and service delivery for LGs

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

Narratives: Wards and Municipal levels collaborate effectively to deliver inclusive results

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will conduct CFLG training LG wise as per the demand

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

15, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 4500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.8.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.621)

Activity: Organize job-entry training training to staffs of local level

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

**Narratives:** LG able to do an effectie and efficient inclusive strategic and annual planning process

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will announce call to civil servant with designing the criteria and select the partcipants

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Training-Staff, 3000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.624)

Activity: Coduct in-service training to staffs of Provincial and Local level

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Good practice on Civic engagement and GESI inclusion approaches and tools in LG service delivery is captured, tested and systematized for use by PRTA for LG CD.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will announce call to civil servant with designing the criteria and select the partcipants

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_In Service\_LG, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.627)

Activity: Conduct Orientation on One stop service delivery model

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Good practice on Civic engagement and GESI inclusion approaches and tools in LG service delivery is captured, tested and systematized for use by PRTA for LG CD.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will select the LGs and conduct the this modal LG wise with ensuring the cost share.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training-Staff, 2000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.629)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize Orientation to LGs on Using data for development among three tiers of government in collaboration with National Data office and other relevant stakeholders

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Good practice on Civic engagement and GESI inclusion approaches and tools in LG service delivery is captured, tested and systematized for use by PRTA for LG CD.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Organize capacity building training based on the selection from the LGs based on the proximity

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Interaction, 2000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.631)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct result-based coaching and mentoring to selected LGs as per need (LISA, FRA, PDP, CD, RIAP and other GESI concern issues)

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Good practice on Civic engagement and GESI inclusion approaches and tools in LG service delivery is captured, tested and systematized for use by PRTA for LG CD.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The needy LGs will select and conduct coaching mentoring with urgent issues

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

45, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2700

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.636)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize capacity building training on Inclusive and Participatory Planning process of LGs to Ward committee members / Ward chair based on need

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthening LG (Municipal and Ward) Basic Service Delivery system

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PRTA will conduct training at least 14 cluster training targetted to ward level elected representatives

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

14, Event\_Training-ER, 8400

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.639)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to implement the Social accountability tools Social audit, public audit, public hearing, Grievance handling, Proactive disclosure and their guideline through mobilizing of good governance committee

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthening LG (Municipal and Ward) Basic Service Delivery system

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Social accountability tools training will organized and support to preapre social audit and public hearning guideline formultion.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Public Hearing, 3200

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.650)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize dialogue/ interaction on effective public service delivery of local level among key stakeholders in LGs level

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthening LG (Municipal and Ward) Basic Service Delivery system

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Organize capacity building training on inclusive public service delivery in cluster basis

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

14, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 4200

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.647)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize workshop for judiciary committee Chair/Member on how to resolve the cases including mediation, reconcialiation etc including GESI, GRB, GBV, Safe, inclusive and dignified workplace

# To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthening PLG staffs and elected representatives

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Based on the Koshi Province declaration, capacity building workshop will be organized. The LGs which arenot participated FY 023/024 will be focused having collaboration with other stakeholders

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.644)

Activity: Organize ToT to selected CAO/dedicated officer on GESI mainstreaming at local level.

To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthenig PLGS staffs and elected representatives

**Implementation Arrangement:** Invite all CAO / Key staffs and organize TOT

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_TOT-Staff, 2100

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 1.2.9.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.633)

Activity: Review GESI audit process, GESI Strategy and GESI Responsive budget in the LGs

## To be implemented by: Koshi-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective tools and approaches for civic engagement and GESI are embedded within PDRA CD approaches and packages for strengthenig PLGS staffs and elected representatives

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This will be organized focused to the LGs which have GESI strategy however invite all LGs and discuss on GESI audit, GESI strategy and GRB focused to Deputy Mayor/Vice chair/Women and children department/Chair

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1600

## **5.4.** Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Madhesh

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1502)

Activity: Formulate/review Acts, regulations/ guidelines of Provincial Government

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: While the Madhesh Province has enacted several laws for the effective functioning of provincial governance, public administration and public service delivery, there is still a need to formulate essential laws as per the provincial priority in order to implement the devolved roles and responsibilities of the provincial government in an effective and efficient way and to ensure consistency. Therefore, this activity will support the PG to (i) formulate essential Act/regulation of as per their priority and (ii) review and revise the existing laws as per the needs and priority of the provincial government.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Programme Support Unit (PPSU) in close coordination and consultation with concerned provincial ministries and agencies will carry out this activity. Based on need, laws on concurrent and exclusive powers will be drafted through a Law Drafting and Suggestion Committee of the Madhesh Province Government, which is formulated in accordance to the Law Drafting and Suggestion Committee Procedure, 2080.

PPSU will conduct a series of consultations with the PG stakeholders and other relevant stakeholders to collect a feedback on the bill and/or drafted regulations. The feedback and suggestions collected during the consultations will be incorporated in the draft as applicable; conduct a final review/discussion and prepare the final draft. Bills will be forwarded to the Provincial Assembly for the review and approval through the proper channel of the Ministry of Home, Communication and Law while the regulations will be forwarded by the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers to the cabinet for the approval.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Document formulated Law, 2000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1508)

**Activity:** Conduct GESI Audit of 12 Provincial Ministries/Institutions

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP aims to make sure to effectively mainstream GESI at provincial level right from the start in all governance systems, procedures and processes and at every stage of program implementation, monitoring/evaluation and reporting. In this context, it is planned to conduct a GESI audit of twelve provincial ministries and/or PG institutions. GESI Audit will identify the existing gap in the policy, programme and budget, monitoring and evaluation of the provincial government and the way forward to effectively mainstream GESI.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU in consultation with the OCMCM and Ministry of Sports and Social Welfare will prepare a detailed work plan and will hire independent external experts or firms to conduct GESI audit in the ministries/institutions. During the audit process, a plan of action will be prepared for effectively mainstreaming GESI in all aspects of the programme including planning, budgeting, monitoring and reporting and policy formulation. The findings of the GESI audit will be shared and discussed to sensitize the provincial ministries.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

12, Document GESI Audit-PG, 3000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1578)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct capacity Development training to PG Stakeholders on GESI Concepts/GRB/GESI Audit

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: With the aim to implement the vision of the constitution to promote equality, prosperity and social justice, and commitment made by the state at international level regarding gender equality and social inclusion, the GoN has provisions of appointing dedicated GESI focal persons in all government line ministries both at the federal and provincial level with the aim to implement the vision of the constitution to promote equality, prosperity and social justice. GESI focal persons in Madhesh Province had been appointed in PG Ministries, however, with the staff turnover and change in the name and roles/responsibilities of the provincial ministries, there is a need to re-appoint the GESI focal persons in respective PG ministries and enhance their capacity on GESI concepts and the GESI related tools including Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) and GESI Audit. In order to effectively perform their GESI related tools on Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) and GESI Audit has been planned for the Gender Focal Persons of PG ministries and their institutions.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU in consultation and coordination with the Ministry of Sports and Social Welfare will design a capacity development training programme for the PG GESI focal persons. PPIU will recruit the hire the resource person and conduct the programme.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1585)

**Activity:** Orientation and evaluation on Provincial Fiduciary Risk Assessment (PFRA) (3 days)

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Madhesh Province has executed Provincial Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) Procedure. The procedure has provisioned the assessment of fiduciary risks of the province based on the indicators. Assessment of fiduciary risks is avenue for mitigation of financial risk and establishing financial discipline in public financial management. In this ground the orientation and evaluation program will support to understand FRA provisions and evaluate the fiduciary risk of PG. PG ministries and their agencies will be able to prepare the Fiduciary Risk Reduction Action Plan (FRRAP).

<u>Implementation Arrangement:</u> PPSU in close coordination with the OCMCM will organize the programme at province level to orient on FRA Procedure. Officials from PG, Chief of Ministries/Agencies, Chief of Finance Administration, Chief of Store Department, Chief of Information and Communication Department, Chief of Planning and Budgeting Department and other concerned staff will participate in the program to discuss FRA Procedure. Representatives from the Province Treasury Controller Office (PTCO) will also be invited in the program.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Workshop Stakeholder, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1591)

**Activity:** Orientation on NAMS to officials of Provincial Government (2 days)

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Nepal Audit Management System (NAMS) is an integrated government application launched by the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) to automate the audit life cycle and streamline the audit process of federal, provincial and local governments. The OAG has further issued the NAMS Guideline to streamline and organize audit planning and coordination, and have also provided standardized audit checklists that align with regulatory compliance requirements. PLGSP has made consistent efforts in the strengthening of the accountability tools and mechanism in the Provincial and Local Governments for which the efforts include providing support in the implementation and institutionalization of the accountability tools like NAMS. Therefore, PPIU has planned a two days intensive training on NAMS for the PG Officials.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in collaboration and close coordination with the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) will organize an intensive two days training on Nepal Audit Management System (NAMS) to the office heads and account officers of the provincial ministries and the institutions of the province government in order to harmonise the NAMS Guideline across the provincial government.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1593)

Activity: Formulate internal control system guideline of 5 Provincial Ministries

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: As per the provision in the Financial Procedure and Financial Accountability Act 2076 (clause 31), all three tiers of governments are required to establish and implement internal control systems. The internal control system guideline establishes the orderliness, ethics, economy, efficiency and effectiveness in operation of public entity. The Madhesh Province Government has already formulated the "Internal Control System Directive-2079 of Madhesh Province Government" and based on this directive, the internal control system guideline of five provincial ministries will be formulated. The implementation of the internal control system guideline is envisaged to contribute the provincial institutions to be more functional and transparent with better financial discipline and administrative setup.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will outsource the event.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1596)

<u>Activity</u>: Organise project planning and contract management practical training to officials from Provincial and Local Governments (5 days)

#### To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: Effective project planning and contract management leads to effective project management. e-GP is a centralised online system for nation-wide public procurement management which is launched by the Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO). PLGSP has made consistent efforts in the strengthening of the accountability tools and mechanism in the Provincial and Local Governments for which the efforts include providing support in the implementation and institutionalisation of the accountability tools like e-Government Procurement (e-GP). In this context, PPSU will has planned to organize the five days intensive training on project planning and contract management practical training to officials from Provincial and Local Governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will collaborate with the Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO) to provide training on the contract management for the effective project management.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 700

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1598)

**Activity:** Develop SOP of OCMCM

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Formulation of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) of the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers (OCMCM) will be helpful in the effective functioning of OCMCM. Hence PPSU has planned for the formulation of a SOP of the OCMCM.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: A SOP formulation committee will be formed for the formulation of SOP of the OCMCM.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1602)

**Activity:** Organize M&E training to Province Government Officials (3 days)

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Provincial Policy and Planning Commission of Madhesh Province has formulated the monitoring and evaluation directive for the Madhesh Province Government. Monitoring and evaluation is an essential part of project management. PPSU in close coordination with the Madhesh Policy and Planning Commission will organize intensive three days M&E training to Province Government Officials.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will collaborate with the Madhesh Policy and Planning Commission to organize 1 event of intensive M&E training to Province Government Officials.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1605)

Activity: Conduct joint monitoring from PG

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Routine monitoring/follow-up visits to gather relevant information about the progress of the program implementation as well as to provide the timely feedback for the improvement is important for all programs. The monitoring form the PCC members of PLGSP and the PG officials will not only help in assessing the PLGSP progress but also contribute in enhancing the ownership and effectiveness of the program. Hence, joint monitoring/follow-up visits have been planned for the PCC members, officials of PGs and PPSU to monitor the implemented activities and collect initial feedback of the beneficiaries. This is expected to promote learning and improvement in the programme implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in consultation with OCMCM will organize the joint monitoring visit of PCC members, PG officials and PLGSP team to monitor the progress made by PLGSP and the results achieved so far.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Monitroring, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.8.2.11)

Activity: Conduct inter provincial learning sharing visit of PG Officials and PPIU team

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In-country experience sharing/cross-learning visit to other provinces is considered an opportunity for the OCMCM officials and PPIU team to learn and share best practice that can be adapted and rolled-out later. In addition, the visit will enable OCMCM officials and PPIU team members to develop a horizontal linkage and coordination promoting cross learning for improved performance. This activity is planned by Madhesh Province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU together with OCMCM and PG Officials will explore possible areas for the visit in consultation. PPSU will further communicate and coordinate with PCU, PPSU and PRTA of the host province as the destination is identified. PPSU will prepare a detailed proposal with the clear objective of the learning through exchange of experiences and documentation to share widely.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1607)

<u>Activity</u>: Support provinces in establishment and rollout of government office automation and other system, website and services delivered from the Department of Information Technology.

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In an attempt to harmonise the nationally designed and well tested application of the Government of Nepal, PPSU will support the Madhesh Province Government in the establishment and rollout of the integrated office automation and other system, website and other services created and operated by the Department of Information Technology (DoIT). This will not only support in the minimization of duplication of web-based applications but also enhance the effectiveness and build synergy.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will closely collaborate and coordinate with the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) for the completion of this activity.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Implemented, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1609)

<u>Activity</u>: Province-level interaction program (with elected representatives of LGs) on areas of coordination in the field of IT, e-Governance and data management between three levels of government.

# To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The digitalization of local services is a critical step towards enhancing the efficiency, transparency, and accessibility of public service delivery. The IT Officers in the Local Governments (LGs) who have been the main contact persons for any digital related activities in LGs, be it LISA, FRA, LED or any other web-based application in LGs, have been experiencing several issues. Hence, the province-level interaction program has been planned jointly with the elected representatives of LGs and IT Officers to enhance coordination in the field of IT, e-Governance and data management between three levels of government. The planned activity aims to strengthen and manage information systems supporting the digital transformation in Nepal.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU/OCMCM will closely collaborate and coordinate with the DoIT, MoFAGA and the Ministry of Home, Communication and Law of Madhesh Province Government for the completion of this activity.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event Interaction, 1200

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1503)

<u>Activity</u>: Strengthening of Provincial Coordination Council (facilitate/provide logistic support in organizing meeting and support in the implementation of decisions)

# To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Coordination Council is recently provisioned in Clause 24 of the Federal, Provincial and Local Levels (Coordination and Interrelations) Act, 2077. The inner spirit of this provision is to consult on the issues (dividend of resources, consultation on formulating law/act/guideline on concurrent powers, identifying strategic areas for mutual benefit, developing functional relationship and policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues if any) between provincial and local governments. Besides, this council meeting would tie up the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the provincial and local governments. In addition, the council is provisioned to resolve any issues in-between the PLGs. This activity will support the OCMCM, the secretariat of the Provincial Coordination Council to conduct the meeting effectively by setting the meeting agendas timely and in a consultative manner. This activity will further entail other sub activities prior and after the meeting of the Provincial Coordination Council. The PPIU will support in strengthening the Secretariat of Provincial Coordination Council in OCMCM, in drafting the agendas, implementing the decisions, finding out the common issues, strengthening sectoral committees in PG as well as recording minutes and disseminating the decisions to all concerned.

Implementation Arrangement: The OCMCM/PPSU will identify the issues/agendas to be discussed in the Provincial Coordination Council (PCC) in consultation with the PGs, LGs, LGs Associations and others that benefit all. In this connection, PPIU will assist the Secretariat in developing a concept note along with a cost contribution scheme and expected outcomes for the implementation of PCC decisions, for example joint working modalities between the PGs and LGs. The PPIU will assist in dissemination of the meeting minutes (decisions) of the PCC and Sectoral Committees widely to LGs and PG ministries. Further as necessary, the PPIU will support the OCMCM to conduct necessary visits and consultations with LGs and PCC members to update the status and decisions execution. It has been envisioned that the PCC meeting will be conducted at least twice a year for strengthening the intergovernmental relationships between the province government and the local governments.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1504)

Activity: Organize interaction Workshops on Inter-Governmental Relations (IGR)

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: The Constitution of Nepal (2015) in its Article 235 has made provisions on Coordination between Federation, State and Local Level where the Sub Article (2) of this Article provisions that the State Assembly may maintain coordination between the State and Village Bodies or Municipalities and settle political disputes, if any that have arisen, in coordination with the concerned Village Body, Municipality and the District Coordination Committee. Regular interaction with the provincial government, local governments and the District Coordination Committees (DCCs) will not only help in strengthening the coordination and cooperation among them, but also improve the intergovernmental relationship for the realization of the concurrent powers listed in the Schedule 9 of the constitution which is crucial for the strengthening of federalization in the country. Therefore In an effort to strengthen the intergovernmental relations between and among the three tiers of government, namely the Federal Government, Madhesh Province Government and the Local Governments of Madhesh Province, an interaction workshop with the diverse stakeholders from all three spheres of government has been planned to strengthen the coordination for the effective implementation of concurrent rights provisioned under Schedule 9 of the constitution and ultimately strengthen the intergovernmental relations for the implementation of federalization.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will coordinate for the interaction workshop, communicating to participants and facilitate the interaction workshop. The decisions of the interaction will be documented and distributed to all concerned.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1505)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize coordination meetings with the Thematic Committees of the Madhesh Province Assembly, DPs, Provincial and Local Governments

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

Narratives: Article 193 of the Constitution provides that the provincial assemblies may form committees. In parliamentary practice, the thematic committees are formed to ensure swift and efficient functioning of the parliament and hence, these committees are also called "mini-parliaments". In Madhesh Province, seven thematic committees are formed which includes the Public Account Committee; Provincial Affairs Committee; Economy and Planning Committee; Development Committee; Women, Children and Social Justice Committee; Natural Resources and Environment Committee; Agriculture and Land Management Committee. These thematic committees ensure the accountability of the Madhesh Province Government to the Madhesh Province Assembly, and thereby, these Committees ensure the accountability of the Madhesh Province Government to the citizens of the Province. In this context, PPIU will facilitate a coordination meeting with the thematic committees of the Madhesh Province Assembly which will facilitate the Madhesh Province Government and Local Governments of the province to be accountable to their citizens and this will directly contribute in the attainment of PLGSP goal of the Provincial and local governments to be fully functional, sustainable, inclusive and accountable to their citizens.

Similarly, the stakeholders' consultations are very important tools for effective planning as well as building synergy in the programme. In this regard, PPIU will coordinate for a wider coordination meeting not only among PLGs partners or beneficiaries but, also among Development Partners and other stakeholders, so that interventions can be more effective and efficient. This will further strengthen coordination and collaboration with all PLGs and working agencies in the province as well as remove duplication and bring synergy in similar activities in the PLGs, which will ultimately lead to secure values for money and time for the programme and interventions.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will coordinate the meeting including setting agendas, communicating to participants and facilitate the meeting. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and distributed to all concerned.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1506)

Activity: Organize coordination meetings of the Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) of PLGSP

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Provincial Coordination Committee provisioned under PLGSP, is the governing body of the Programme in the province and it provides a strategic guidance to the PPSU and PRTA in terms of policy, contents and activities. It further provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for effectiveness of the programme. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) will meet on a trimester basis to review progress and address issues and problems encountered during implementation of the activities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will coordinate the meeting including setting agendas, communicating to participants and facilitate the meeting. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and distributed to all concerned.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 800

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 2.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1582)

**Activity:** IPF implementation

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In PLGSP, Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) provides a unique opportunity to promote innovation in the areas of governance, service delivery and local economic development through the implementation of innovative projects by the local governments in a co-funding modality. The Local Governments (LGs) are the main implementing body of the innovative projects where the LG can either submit their individual project to the Madhesh Province Government or the project can be implemented in a partnership with the Province Government or the NGOs. The IPF projects further contributes in strengthening the intergovernmental relations.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The IPF projects will be implemented in accordance to the revised IPF Implementation Guideline of MoFAGA in FY 2024/25. In this regard, the concept paper and full proposal for the IPF projects will be called from the eligible LGs by the OCMCM in accordance to the MoFAGA endorsed IPF implementation Guideline.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, IPF\_Projects, 50000

## **5.5.**Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Madhesh

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1457)

**Activity:** Conduct service entry training for newly recruited PG's staffs

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of staff are going to be recruited by the provincial government through the provincial Public Service Commission exam. Service Entry Training is an initial training for the civil servants to enhance their basic knowledge, skill and capacity for delivering the services effectively at their duty stations. Thus, PCC has planned to conduct Service entry training to the PGs' staff. The persons recommended by provincial Public Service Commission for recruitment in different PG's offices will be the participants of the service entry training.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in close coordination with OCMCM and Provincial Public Service Commission, has already designed and approved training curriculum on Primary Administrative Training (Service entry training) for the newly recruited staff. At the same time, PCCG has prepared a pool of highly experienced resource persons and they will be mobilized to conduct session as per their subject areas. In addition to that, PCGG will also coordinate with the provincial ministries to mobilize the secretaries, undersecretaries for facilitation of sessions related to those ministries.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Pre Service\_PG, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1459)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize capacity building training on monitoring, supervision, implementation of LISA & FRA for President, vice-president of DCC and DCO

#### To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to provide capacity-building training on the monitoring, supervision, and implementation of the Local Institutional Self-Assessment (LISA) and Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) for the Presidents, Vice-Presidents of the District Coordination Committees (DCC), and District Coordination Officers (DCO) in Madhesh Province. The training will enhance their understanding and skills in using LISA and FRA tools to promote transparency, accountability, and effective governance practices at the district level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh will coordinate this training, engaging experts in LISA and FRA to facilitate the sessions. PRTA will manage logistical aspects, including participant invitations, venue setup, and the preparation of training materials. Post-training, PRTA will provide ongoing support to participants to ensure the effective implementation of LISA and FRA in their respective districts.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.4.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1690)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct Orientation program on use of data among three tires of Government in coordination with NSO and other stakeholders

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct an orientation program on the effective use of data across the three tiers of government in Madhesh Province, in coordination with the National Statistics Office (NSO) and other stakeholders. The program will focus on enhancing data-driven decision-making, policy formulation, and service delivery by building the capacity of government officials in data collection, management, and analysis. Improved data use will support evidence-based governance and intergovernmental coordination.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh, in coordination and support of PCU will organize this orientation program in collaboration with the NSO and other relevant stakeholders. PRTA will manage the logistics, including coordinating with federal, provincial, and local government participants, arranging the venue, and preparing materials. Experts from NSO will facilitate the sessions, providing guidance on best practices in data use. Post-orientation, PRTA will gather feedback to assess its impact and identify further training needs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 300

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1445)

**Activity:** Prepare Administrative and Financial Guidelines of PRTC

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Through the federal government's cabinet decision, the Local Development Training Academy has handed over its regional training center to the provincial government to develop it as a main hub to carry out capacity development activities for the provincial and local governments. To institutionalize and operationalize the center, PRTC shall have an Administrative and Financial Guidelines. The guideline will allow PCGG to formulate necessary regulations for effective functioning of the center. Hence, it is planned to prepare Administrative and Financial Guidelines of PRTC.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with OCMCM, will hire consultants (firm or individual) through public procurement process. The consultant will make intensive consultation with OCMCM, concerned PG ministries and other stakeholders in order to prepare the guideline. Finally, the guideline will be endorsed and adopted by the Provincial Government to operationalize PCGG.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 300

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1422)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize capacity building training on Performance Management for Officer level staffs working in PRTC, OCMCM and province ministries

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Performance of the Bureaucratic system itself is a fundamental issue for the quality governance and delivery mechanism of the government in many political and administrative system. Bureaucratic system is known as the permanent government of a nation and the system shall ensure a higher level of performance. However, in the working style, many government officers are found not able to manage their performance in order to dealing with right holders and are criticized in many contexts and respects. Hence, PCGG has planned to organize a training on Performance Management with the objective to develop capacities and enhance skills of Officer level staffs working in PRTC, OCMCM and province ministries. The training plan is based on the real needs and demands from the PG's entities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with OCMCM and ministries, will identify participants through a need assessment. Based on the finding of needs assessment, as well as request from provincial ministries, PCGGs will conduct the Performance Management training to the Officer level staffs working in PRTC, OCMCM and province ministries. In coordination with OCMCM, the PCGG will identify resource persons and hire them to conduct the training in participatory manner.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.6.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1446)

**Activity:** Inter-provincial Exposure visit

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity has been planned to provide an opportunity to PCGG officials to learn and share through exposure visits in other PLGSP implemented provinces so that they can visit, meet and interact with each other and learn about best practices that can be adapted and rolled-out later in their context. In addition, the visit will enable PCC officials to develop a horizontal linkage and coordination promoting cross learning for improved performance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG together with OCMCM will explore possible areas for the visit in consultation with PCGG officials. PCGG will prepare a detailed proposal with the clear objective of the learning through exchange of experiences and documentation to share widely.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 1000

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.6.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1447)

Activity: Organize coordination meeting with CD stakeholders on quarterly basis

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

Narratives: PCGG has been envisioned as a coordinator for all training providers in the public sector within the province to avoid duplication and overlap in the changed context. The PCGG shall have close coordination with all the Capacity Development partners to ensure coordinated and collaborative efforts in capacity building initiatives within the province. Theus, it is planned to organize coordination meetings with Development Partners providing trainings to the public sector. The meetings will create a platform to discuss the CD priorities and make common understanding in terms of developing standard training manuals, resource books, handouts and course contents/syllabus applicable for all. It also would be important to avoid any possible duplicity and leveraging resources across the agencies.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG carried out a stakeholder mapping to identify Development Partners providing trainings to the public sector in the province. Based on the mapping, PCGG organized coordination meetings with broader Development partners working in Madhesh Province in the fy 2023-24, which will be continued in the current fy too. The Curriculum Development Committee under the PCGG will take lead in organizing the meetings and will invite development partners, relevant PG's Commissions, Authorities and ministries for their representative participation in the meetings. The meeting will be organized on half-yearly basis.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 300

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.6.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1448)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct workshop to review effectiveness of Capacity Building Activities conducted by the Provincial Research and Training Centre

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct a workshop to review the effectiveness of capacity-building activities carried out by the Provincial Research and Training Centre (PRTC) in Madhesh Province. The workshop will bring together key stakeholders to assess the impact, identify strengths and areas for improvement, and gather feedback to enhance future training programs. This reflective approach will help in aligning capacity-building initiatives with the needs of provincial and local governments, ensuring better outcomes in governance and service delivery.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This activity aims to conduct a workshop to review the effectiveness of capacity-building activities carried out by the Provincial Research and Training Centre (PRTC) in Madhesh Province. The workshop will bring together key stakeholders to assess the impact, identify strengths and areas for improvement, and gather feedback to enhance future training programs. This reflective approach will help in aligning capacity-building initiatives with the needs of provincial and local governments, ensuring better outcomes in governance and service delivery.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1449)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize refresher/follow up orientations/ interactions for Review and implementation of LISA and FRA

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

Narratives: The Local Government Institutional Self- Assessment (LISA) is a tool to identify institutional strength and weakness of LGs in ten thematic areas and assess the status of the LGs. Similarly, Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) is also a tool to assess fiduciary risk and prepare fiduciary risk reduction action plan. Online portal for the both assessment tools have been developed by MoFAGA where LGs conduct self-assessment/assessment on the basis of given indicators, which is further assessed by respective district coordination committees (DCCs). This is a regular activity carried over from the last fiscal years. However, this requires continued knowledge enhancement support to LGs to effectively implement the tools based on the preset indicators to assess their strength and weakness. It is, therefore, planned to follow up the progress of implementation of LISA and FRA in LGs by providing technical backstopping through the trained facilitators. The elected representatives and staff of LGs will be provided with refresher training on both LISA and FRA to enable them for their continued effort in implementation of the both assessment tools.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with PCU, will organize Refresher Training/follow up orientations/interactions to the elected representatives and staff of LGs. A ToT on LISA was conducted to produce local resource persons to facilitate LISA implementation in LGs. PCGG will mobilize resource persons to facilitate Refresher Training/follow up orientations/interactions on LISA and FRA process by reviewing the status of both LISA and FRA along with clarifying confusions and ambiguities in data entry in the both LISA and FRA software.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

8, Event Orientation ER Staff, 4800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1713)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct follow up training/Interaction/ workshop on Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for LGs' staff

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

Narratives: The Local government operational act 2074 clause 34 requires the sectoral medium-term expenditure framework and development plans in the local governments. While preparing the public expenditure statement it is also mandatory for them to prepare the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) of three years. However, the local governments are not fully able to formulate such frameworks and plans on its basic principles, objectives and process. PCGG conducted orientation for the elected representatives and officials in the last fiscal years. However, it is still necessary to conduct follow up training/interaction/workshop to make them practice MTEF preparation. It is thus planned to orient elected representatives and officials of local governments on MTEF.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will coordinate with LGs for participation of elected representatives and officials in MTEF orientation. The PCU have already organized MToT to develop master trainers on MTEF and PCGG will mobilize the trainers/resource persons to conduct the follow up training/Interaction/ workshop on MTEF at province level. The resource persons will support participants in preparing a medium-term expenditure framework through practical sessions during the orientation.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

8, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 4800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1451)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize orientation on Internal Control System (ICS) for Local Governments and facilitation in formulation of Procdure (Coaching and Mentoring)

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2074, local governments are required to establish and manage internal control systems. The internal control system will help to follow the rules and regulations in carrying out day-to-day activities of local governments. The Internal Control System is yet to be established in most of the local governments. It is planned to develop an internal control procedure through conducting orientation to the representatives and officials and collect information required to feed in the ICS framework. The information will further be fitted in the ICS framework to develop a procedure for the local governments as per the guideline developed by MoFAGA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will carry out mapping to identify the LGs who haven't prepared an internal control system. The mapping will help to avoid overlapping and maximize the use of available resources. Based on the mapping, LGs will be finalized to support in formulation of ICS procedure. The selected LGs will be oriented through hiring consulting service/consultant according to Procurement rules. MoFAGA has prepared the Internal Control Guideline (sample) for the LGs and the orientation will be based on the same guideline.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

25, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 3800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1452)

Activity: Conduct capacity building training to GESI focal person of LGs

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To mainstream GESI in policy, program, and service delivery of LG, it is provisioned that all LGs shall have designated GESI Focal person. Accordingly, all policies, programme and service delivery strategies should be both GESI sensitive and responsive in spirit as well as in practice towards facilitating and contributing to transformations in social norms and behavior. However, the GESI Focal person have limited capacity to influence the representatives for implementation of their GESI Strategy. Hence, PCGG has planned to organize training on transformative approach in GESI mainstreaming.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of GESI Focal persons for their participation in the training. PCGG will identify qualified resource persons and hire them to conduct the training in participatory manner.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training-Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1453)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct capacity building training on Transformative Development approach for Executive Committee members representing women, Dalit & Marginalized community

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A number of women especially from marginalized communities coming into power currently augurs well for gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) but, the road to women's substantive participation in leadership and decision-making roles is littered with manifold challenges. Due to the mindset of elected representatives, it is challenging to influence them for policy-making in perspective of GESI. It is thus planned to train women representative on transformative development approach so that they can take initiation for GESI responsive planning during the local planning process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of women representatives and bring them to participate in the Training on transformative development approach. The PCGG will hire qualified trainer/ resource person to facilitate the training in an effective manner.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

16, Event\_Training-ER, 6400

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1454)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize interaction program among Deputies of LGs for sharing and learning from each other

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is designed to organize an interaction program for the Deputies of Local Governments (LGs) in Madhesh Province, providing a platform for sharing experiences, challenges, and best practices. The program aims to facilitate peer learning and collaboration among the deputies, enhancing their roles in local governance and promoting effective service delivery. Through this exchange, the participants will gain insights into diverse strategies and solutions that can be adapted to their respective localities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh will coordinate the interaction program, inviting Deputies from various LGs across the province. PRTA will manage logistics, including venue selection, participant coordination, and preparation of discussion materials. Experienced facilitators will be engaged to guide the discussions and ensure an effective knowledge-sharing environment. Following the program, PRTA will document key takeaways and recommendations to support the ongoing learning process among LG deputies.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1455)

Activity: Conduct service entry training for newly recruited LGs' staffs

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of staff are going to be recruited by the LGs through the provincial Public Service Commission exam. Service Entry Training is an initial training for the civil servants to enhance their basic knowledge, skill and capacity for delivering the services effectively at their duty stations. Thus, PCC has planned to conduct training to the LGs' staffs. The persons recommended by provincial Public Service Commission for recruitment in different LGs will be the participants of the service entry training.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in close coordination with OCMCM and Provincial Public Service Commission, has already designed and approved training curriculum on Primary Administrative Training (Service entry training) for the newly recruited staff. Moreover, PCCG has already prepared a pool of highly experienced resource persons and they will be mobilized to conduct session as per their subject areas. In addition to that, PCGG will also coordinate with the provincial ministries to mobilize the secretaries, undersecretaries for facilitation of sessions related to those ministries.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Pre Service\_LG, 900

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1456)

**Activity:** Conduct in-service training to LGs' staff

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The In-service training to the LGs' staff is important for effective and quality service delivery to the citizen. The need for in-service training for LGs' staff of officer and assistant level is also important for their career development in terms of promotion in level of position. There has been a lot of demand for "in service training" from various levels of staffs working in LGs. Based on the demand, PCC has planned to conduct In-service training to LGs, staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PRTC, in close coordination with OCMCM, will publish a notice to the staff working in LGs for submission of application for participation in the training. Among the applicants, participants will be selected on seniority basis. There is an existing 30-day standard inservice course approved by the government of Nepal. PCCG has already prepared a pool of highly experienced resource persons and they will be mobilized to conduct session as per their subject areas. In addition to that, PCGG will also coordinate with the provincial ministries to mobilize the secretaries, undersecretaries for facilitation of sessions. Certificate will be provided to the participants upon completion of the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_In Service\_LG, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1458)

**Activity:** Conduct in-service training to PG's staff

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The In-service training to the province government staff is important to capacitate them for effective and quality service delivery to the citizen. The need for in-service training for PG's officer and assistant level staff is also important for their career development in terms of increment in level and position. There is high demand of "in service training "from the various levels of government officials working at the different entities of the provincial government. Based on the demand, PCC has planned to conduct the In-service training to PGs' staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PRTC, in close coordination with OCMCM, will publish a notice to the staff working in PG's ministries, provincial commissions, PGs' district-based offices; for submission of application for participation in the training. Among the applicants, participants will be selected on seniority basis. There is an existing 30-day standard course of in-service training approved by the government of Nepal. PCCG has already prepared a pool of highly experienced resource persons and they will be mobilized to conduct session as per their subject areas. In addition to that, PCGG will also coordinate with the provincial ministries to mobilize the secretaries, undersecretaries for facilitation of sessions related to those ministries. Certificate will be provided to the participants upon completion of the training.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_In Service\_PG, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1460)

Activity: Conduct capacity building training on public procurement and EGP for LGs' staff

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG, in coordination with PPIU, conducted a TNA with PGs to identify areas of capacity development to include in P-ASIP. In this way, procurement including e-bidding has been largely demanded by the LGs to make their procurement related activities safe and effective. Since various reports have showed week financial management and increasing volume of Airer in LGs in province 2, PCGG has planned to conduct trainings on Procurement and e-bidding for procurement unit members of LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of participants of the training. As much as possible, PCGG will coordinate PPMO for availability of resource persons to facilitate the training. If not possible, PCGG will hire highly experienced resource persons as per recommendation of PPMO and conduct the training at cluster level.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Training-Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1684)

Activity: Organize Training of Trainers (ToT) on GRB and GESI Audit

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to organize a Training of Trainers (ToT) on Gender-Responsive Budgeting (GRB) and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Audit for selected individuals in Madhesh Province. The ToT program will equip participants with the knowledge and skills to conduct GRB and GESI audits effectively, allowing them to further train other staff at the local government level. This initiative seeks to promote inclusive planning and budgeting practices within local governments, ensuring that resources are allocated equitably and services meet the diverse needs of all community members.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh will implement this ToT program, engaging GESI and GRB experts to facilitate the sessions. PRTA will handle all logistics, including participant selection, venue setup, and preparation of training materials. After the ToT, PRTA will provide follow-up support to the trainers as they conduct GRB and GESI audit training at the local level, ensuring the knowledge is disseminated effectively.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_TOT-Staff, 900

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.7.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1687)

**Activity:** Conduct GESI Audit in LGs

To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: GESI Audit is an excellent tool which provides information on the overall status of GESI including any existing issues/gaps in GESI in organizational structure, annual plan, policies, program, budget etc of Local Governments. Thus, GESI Audit process will provide an overall picture of GESI including an improvement area to institutionalize GESI effectively in LGs. Based on the findings of the GESI Audit, each LG will make their plan of action to improve institutional arrangement, planning, policies, and the budget is GESI sensitive and friendly. This activity is planned to support in conducting GESI audits of the implemented programme and budget of the LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG organized couple of ToTs on GESI Audit to develop resource persons at the provincial level. The PCGG will publish a notice and enlist resource person who participated in ToT on GESI Audit. PCGG, in consultation with LGs, mobilize the trained consultants to conduct GESI audit in LGs. As per the need, the PCGG would organize additional ToT on GESI Audit to develop more resource persons, if needed. The local resource persons will be enlisted in the roster established under the PCGG and mobilized to facilitate GESI Audit in designated LGs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

46, Document GESI Audit-LG, 9200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1462)

<u>Activity</u>: Orgnize capacity building training on social security, certification/ recommendation and vital registration to Ward Chair persons and ward secretaries

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on organizing capacity-building training on social security, certification/recommendation processes, and vital registration for Ward Chairpersons and Ward Secretaries in Madhesh Province. The training aims to enhance their knowledge and skills in managing social security schemes, issuing necessary certifications, and handling vital registrations effectively. This will improve service delivery, ensuring that citizens receive timely and accurate support at the ward level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This activity focuses on organizing capacity-building training on social security, certification/recommendation processes, and vital registration for Ward Chairpersons and Ward Secretaries in Madhesh Province. The training aims to enhance their knowledge and skills in managing social security schemes, issuing necessary certifications, and handling vital registrations effectively. This will improve service delivery, ensuring that citizens receive timely and accurate support at the ward level.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

32, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 9600

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1463)

<u>Activity</u>: Orgainze workshop for sharing and learning best practices related Innovative Economic Development

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to organize a workshop for sharing and learning best practices related to innovative economic development in Madhesh Province. The workshop will bring together local government officials, development practitioners, and other stakeholders to discuss successful economic development initiatives, strategies, and solutions. The knowledge exchange will help local governments identify and adopt innovative approaches to drive sustainable economic growth in their communities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh will organize this workshop, inviting experts and representatives from various sectors to share their experiences and best practices. PRTA will manage logistical arrangements, including venue setup, participant coordination, and preparation of materials. Post-workshop, PRTA will document key insights and recommendations to support the implementation of innovative economic development practices at the local level.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

8, Event\_Workshop-ER, 2400

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1464)

Activity: Conduct capacity building training on IT-based Service Delivery to ITOs of LGs

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is designed to provide capacity-building training on IT-based service delivery to Information Technology Officers (ITOs) of local governments (LGs) in Madhesh Province. The training will focus on enhancing the technical skills of ITOs in managing digital platforms, egovernance tools, and IT infrastructure to streamline and improve public service delivery. Strengthening the capacity of ITOs will enable local governments to offer more efficient, accessible, and citizen-friendly digital services.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh, in support of PCU and OCMCM will lead this training program, engaging IT experts to deliver practical, hands-on sessions. PRTA will handle logistics, including participant coordination, venue setup, and provision of necessary training materials and IT equipment. Post-training, PRTA will offer support and monitor the application of skills acquired by ITOs in enhancing IT-based service delivery in their respective local governments.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2800

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1465)

Activity: Conduct capacity building training on Etabs for Structural Analysis to LGs' engineers

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct capacity-building training on ETABS (Extended 3D Analysis of Building Systems) for structural analysis, targeting engineers working in local governments (LGs) in Madhesh Province. The training will focus on enhancing the engineers' technical skills in using ETABS software for designing and analyzing building structures, ensuring safer and more efficient infrastructure development at the local level.

#### **Implementation Arrangement:**

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2800

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1467)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize capacity building training on planning process of LED and Survey to staff working in Employement Service Centre and administration section of LGs

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Madhesh PRTA: Organize capacity building training on planning process of LED and Survey to staff working in Employement Service Centre and administration section of LGs

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Madhesh will coordinate this training, inviting experienced structural engineers and ETABS software experts as facilitators. PRTA will manage logistical arrangements, including participant invitations, venue setup, and provision of training materials and software access. After the training, PRTA will provide follow-up support to the engineers to help them apply the skills acquired in their respective local government projects.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training-Staff, 2800

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 2.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1466)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct Orientation on Social Accountability Tools (SATs) such as: public hearing and others to LGs' staff

## To be implemented by: Madhesh-PRTA

<u>Narratives:</u> Social accountability refers to a form of answerability that arises through activities by people and public organizations directed at holding the Government to account. Social accountability encourages the essential standard that public officials and service providers are accountable to rightsholders. The Local Governance Operation Act has made mandatory provision to have social audits and public hearing on periodic basis for institutional good governance. These activities enhance the accountability of LGs through hearing citizens' grievances, which is vital for citizen satisfaction. Despite the provision, it is found to be practiced in very few LGs in Madhesh Province due to various reasons depending on context. Therefore, it is planned to organize training to nodal person of the LGs on Social Accountability Tools and grievances handling process. The training will support in providing quality services to the citizens with enhanced capacity of officials in addressing the quarries and grievances of citizens.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of Nodal persons for their participation in the training. PCGG will identify qualified resource persons and hire them to conduct the training in participatory manner.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2800

# 5.6. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Bagamati

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 1.6.25.1423)

Activity: Formulation, Study and Review of Provencial government's Act and Regulation

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In the leardershiip of law and constitution division of offcie of chief minister and council of ministers will do the formulation, Study and Review of Provencial government's Act and Regulation

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Bagamati Provincial government, in the leardership of law and constitution division will implement the activity. However they ask for procurement by private form as well.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Law, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1423)

**Activity:** Study and Review of Local Government Act and Regulation

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Priviously, OCMCM in support from law and constitution division had made the several studies. Now, this FY the division have the plan to do the study and review of local government acts and regulation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Law and constitution division itself conduct the study in support from local government. The next option if need is by procurement through local law form.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Act, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.8.25.1426)

**Activity:** Provincial Coordination Committee meeting

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) meeting will conduct by ocmcm, government reform and coordination division regularly. PLGSP team will support to make it happen. The major role to ensure the activity will accomplish by PLGSP Provincial team.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Office of Chief Minister and Council of Minister, government reform and coordination division in support of PLGSP team as per envisaged the ProDoc of PLGSP.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_PLG, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.9.25.1427)

**Activity:** Annual/Quarterly Progress Review Meeting

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Annual and half yearly progress reviewl meeting will conduct by ocmcm, government reform and coordination division regularly. PLGSP team will support to make it happen. The major role to ensure the activity will accomplish by PLGSP Provincial team.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PLGSP team as per envisaged the ProDoc, Office of Chief Minister and Council of Minister, government reform and coordination division will implement the activity and the PLGSP team also ensure the accomplishment of the activity.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 1.0.25.1430)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on TOR, financial responsibility, the effects of promotion and transfer of staffs

# **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: PLGSP team will prepare the concept note in collaboration with concern division and ensure the program to make it happen.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PLGSP team will submit the concept note and modality of the program activity in collaboration with Office of Chief Minister and Council of Minister, government reform and coordination division will implement the activity and the PLGSP team also ensure the accomplishment of the activity.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 7.1.25.1431)

**Activity:** GESI Audit of Provencial Governments ministries

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: GESI audit will be conducted as per the mandate prepared and approved by Bagamati Provincial Government.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PG itself will conduct the GESI audit or third party will hire for the implementation of the activity.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

7, Document\_GESI Audit-PG, 301

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 3.2.25.1433)

<u>Activity</u>: Diagolue and development initiatives on monitoring and evaluation of Infracture projects between vice presidents/deputy mayors

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The activity is selected as per the demand base from LGs. The deputy mayor and vice chair in LGs will chair several committees and one of among is the chair for the monitoring and evaluation committee so diagolue and development initiatives on monitoring and evaluation of Infracture projects between vice chairs/deputy mayors will needful action for their skill enhancement.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will conduct the activity in collaboration with hiring technical persons.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 450

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.3.25.1434)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction workshop between PG and LG on concurrent rights and intergovernmental relationship and coordination (focusing annual planning process, service delivery and good governance)

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Inter-governmental relationship is most needed right now so in order to ensure the IGR, the three tires of governments are sit together and share thier good practices and also share the gaps among them. The gaps and weakness sort out from the interaction will address to policy and programmes of PG.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 900

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1435)

**Activity:** Orientation on Audit and Budget arrier

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This is the new activity which will be made clarity on the audit process and budget arrier and it consequences.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Document\_ICS-PG, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1436)

**Activity:** Orientation and evaluation program on Fiduciary Risk Reduction

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Fiduciary risk reduction assessment tools have been developed by OCMCM Bagamati and initiated to conduct assessment last FY and this year the assessment will be continued and will be done the analysis on over all progress of the assessment in line ministries.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Interaction, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 1.6.25.1437)

**Activity:** Oriention program on Audit managemeent System

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

**Narratives:** Audit management system will be endorsed and conducted.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Management Audit, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.10 (PLMBIS Number: 1.7.25.1438)

**Activity:** Training on Public Procurement Management

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Public procurement management is the vital event in development process and its training is needed for the administrative and financial staff of PG so the program is planned.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Management Audit, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.11 (PLMBIS Number: 1.8.25.1439)

Activity: Interaction program with DCC on Monitoring, Evaluation and Coordination

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Interaction program with DCC on Monitoring, Evaluation and Coordination is essential and important so the programme is planned by OCMCM

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm and will be done officially.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.12 (PLMBIS Number: 1.9.25.1441)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction with service regulatory organizations and service provider organizations related to information technology, access to services, simplicity and existing laws

# **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: The Interaction program with service regulatory organizations and service provider organizations related to information technology, access to services is designed in order to make simplicity on existing laws

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Law and constitution division of OCMCM will lead the programm.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.13 (PLMBIS Number: 1.0.25.1443)

**Activity:** Coordination and Interaction programme with Development Partners

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Coordination and Interaction programme with Development Partners is the sort of regular coordination programm on the basis of cooperation spirit of the constitution organized by OCMCM.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_DPs, 200

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.14 (PLMBIS Number: 1.1.25.1518)

<u>Activity</u>: Public hearings with the participation of civil society and other stakeholders regarding public service delivery, planning and budget formulation, citizen participation in the decision-making process

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Public hearings with the participation of civil society and other stakeholders regarding public service delivery, planning and budget formulation, citizen participation in the decision-making process is essential and most important in the provincial level so the programme is planned in order to make the transparency of PG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Public Hearing, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.15 (PLMBIS Number: 1.2.25.1521)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on GESI/GRB to GESI focal person of Bagamati Provincial Government

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Interaction program with GESI focal person is very essential program of OCMCM and social development ministry. Bagamati provincial government has appointed GESI focal person in each authority who will take care the GESI and GRB programme.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with social development ministry which will be coordinated by PLGSP

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.16 (PLMBIS Number: 1.3.25.1528)

<u>Activity</u>: Implementation of the integrated office management system, website and other services created and operated by the Information Technology Department implementation at the provincial level

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Implementation of the integrated office management system, website and other services created and operated by the Information Technology Department implementation at the provincial level. According to the plan, e-cabinet and Planning and Monitoring Information System is very essential and will implement soon by OCMCM

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.17 (PLMBIS Number: 1.4.25.1531)

<u>Activity</u>: Discussion and interaction regarding conflicting laws of federal, provincial and local level laws

# **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: Discusion will held among federal government, provincial government and local government in terms of conflicting law

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm with cooperation with division of law and constitution.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.5.25.1533)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on service delivery, coordination and cooperation between federal, provincial and local level offices located in the district

**To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU** 

<u>Narratives</u>: The Interaction program on service delivery, coordination and cooperation between federal, provincial and local level offices located in the district, is important and needful and demand base programme. The programme is demanded by district and local government

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.19 (PLMBIS Number: 1.6.25.1537)

<u>Activity</u>: Interactions regarding the carrier development of provincial civil servants and its implications

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Interactions regarding the carrier development of provincial civil servants and its implications. The programme aim to enhance the skill and knowledge of the civil servants.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.20 (PLMBIS Number: 1.7.25.1540)

**Activity:** GESI Audit of Provencial Governments ministries

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Last FY, Bagamati PG conducted the GESI Audit of Provencial Governments ministries, which is inadquate and non of skill so to make skillful and adopt the mandate of GESI in PG level, this is very essential and important for the PG and their ministries.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with social development ministry which will be coordinated by PLGSP

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.21 (PLMBIS Number: 1.8.25.1544)

**Activity:** Inter Province Assembly of Chief Ministries

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Inter-province assembly of chief minister provides the knowledge sharing and have learning each other. The activity aims to meet the CMs at one place in- person and make decesion which is needful for federalism and ensure the further strengthening the federalism in Nepal

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.22 (PLMBIS Number: 4.9.25.1547)

**Activity:** Interaction program with IT officer and other stakeholder at LG level.

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In order to make knowledgeable and skillful for IT officers who is working in LGs, the Interaction program with IT officer and other stakeholder at LG level is important.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.23 (PLMBIS Number: 1.0.25.1549)

**Activity:** Interaction Program of DDC on Information Technology

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Interaction Program of DDC on Information Technology is demand base activity, which is demanded by DCCs collaboration of Bagamati.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.24 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1717)

**Activity:** Innovative Partnership Fund mobilization

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Innovative partnership fund had mobilized in 11 LGs in the first phase of PLGSP and it was wonderful and achieved the results. This FY Bagamati Provincial Government has planned to conduct 4 schems of the IPF among 119 LGs which is based on competative selection process. For the competetive selection, the IPF selection and implementation guidelines have prepared and ready to implement.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Document\_Strategy Paper, 60000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.25 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1726)

**Activity:** Inter Province Sharing Learning visit

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Inter Province Sharing Learning visit is important and essential for the provincial government and enhance the knowledge and skill of civil servants to make them skillful and knowledgeable.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Visit\_Exposure, 600

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.26 (PLMBIS Number: 1.3.25.1693)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Provincial Governance Act, Public Expenditure System, Fiscal Act, and Procurement System

**To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU** 

<u>Narratives</u>: The Orientation programme on Provincial Governance Act, Public Expenditure System, Fiscal Act, and Procurement System for provincial and local government staff is needful. In this regards, Bagamati provincial government has planned to make them skillful and more efficient in thier work place so the aim of the activity is to enhance their working capacity.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.27 (PLMBIS Number: 4.4.25.1717)

**Activity:** Orientation on IPF program

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Innovative partnership fund had mobilized in 11 LGs in the first phase of PLGSP and it was wonderful and achieved the results. This FY Bagamati Provincial Government has planned to conduct 4 schems of the IPF among 119 LGs which is based on competative selection process. For the competetive selection, the IPF selection and implementation guidelines have prepared and ready to implement. Before implement the programme, 119 LGs have to provide the orientation regaring the guidelines and its competative process to get them.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 3.1.5.28 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1726)

**Activity:** Review and Study on Revinue improvement of PG

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In order to know the internal Revinue of the provincial government, the assessment is necessary to see the milestone and bench mark. With this objective, the activity is planned.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP and the ministry of economic affairs and planning.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Learning Course, 200

# 5.7. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Bagamati

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1606)

<u>Activity</u>: Public procurement training for provincial government ministry and office heads, engineer procurement unit chiefs and financial administration chiefs

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The public procurement process is a complex process in the government organization. Poor knowledge on public procurement creates the fiduciary risk in the organization. PG and LG level government agencies have demand training on public procurement. Thus, under this activity, Training on public procurement will be provided to PGs staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training on Public Procurement will be provided to PG level offices in the coordination with PPMO and Provincial Treasury Controller Office.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.2.1625)

**Activity:** Orientation programme for PG staff on MTEF

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The Provincial Center for Good Governance (PCGG) in consultation with the OCMCM will organise orient and coach in MTEF. PCGG will manage to orient the MTEF of PG in a participatory approach. The PCGG will organize training/workshop on MTEF at province level. The resource persons will support participants in preparing a medium-term expenditure framework through practical sessions during the orientation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Center for Good Governance (PCGG) in consultation with the OCMCM will organise orient and coach in MTEF. PCGG will manage to orient the MTEF of PG in a participatory approach. The PCGG will organize training/workshop on MTEF at province level. The resource persons will support participants in preparing a medium-term expenditure framework through practical sessions during the orientation.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.2.1626)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity Development programme for the chairman of the different committe of Provincial Assembly

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: There is still a gap in the capacity of provincial members to perform their regular duties discharging the service, good governance and development as per the constitutional expectation mentioned in the annex-6,7 and 9. Therefore to enhance the performance of the Provincial assembly Comittee Chairpersons; PCGG has planned an orientation program on the demand of the assembly secretary regarding the roles, responsibilities, stress/time management, positive thinking, communication skills and presentation etc.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The orientation program will be conducted in close coordination with OCMCM and provincial assembly secretary.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-ER, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1627)

**Activity:** Social inclusion related Training for (women) member of provincial assembly.

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A number of women especially from marginalized communities are currently coming into power, which augurs well for gender equality and social inclusion (GESI). However, the mindset of elected representatives, it is challenging to influence them in terms of GESI policy-making. Therefore, it is planned to train women representative on social inclusion. So that they can take initiation for GESI responsive policy and planning during the planning process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with provincial assembly secretary will prepare a list of women representatives and bring them to participate in the orientation on social inclusion. The PCGG will hire qualified trainer/ resource person to facilitate the training effectively.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-ER, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1628)

Activity: Interaction program for the members of the Provincial Assembly related to E-governance

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: There is still a gap in the capacity of provincial members to perform their regular duties discharging the service, good governance and development as per the constitutional expectation mentioned in the annex-6,7 and 9. Therefore to enhance the performance of the Provincial assembly mambers; PCGG has planned an orientation/interaction program on E-governance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The orientation program will be conducted in close coordination with OCMCM and provincial assembly secretary.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop-ER, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1629)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation programme for PG staff on climate change, sustainable development and disaster management

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This program will have targeted to staffs of PG to orientate on climate change, sustainable development and disaster management

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training on climate change, sustainable development and disaster management will be provided to PG level offices in the coordination with OCMCM.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1580)

Activity: Preparation and publication of legal documents for the Provincial Good Governance Center

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To institutionalize and operationalize the center, PCGG shall have an Guidelines. The guideline will allow PCGG to formulate necessary regulations for effective functioning of the center. Hence, it is planned to prepare Guidelines of PCGG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with OCMCM, will hire consultants (firm or individual) through public procurement process. The consultant will make intensive consultation with OCMCM, concerned PG ministries and other stakeholders in order to prepare the guideline. Finally, the guideline will be endorsed and adopted by the Provincial Government to operationalize PCGG.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1581)

Activity: Develop and publish training manuals, curriculum, bulletins etc.

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of trainings have been planned to build capacity of elected representatives and staff at both provincial and local level through PCGG. In such a way, many training curricula, CD manuals have been developed by MoFAGA and PCGGs in various provinces. The PCGG also has developed and approved a number of modules/ curriculum on different training topics and thematic areas and bulletin. Thus, to minimize over-reliance on outside experts as sources of knowledge, PCGG has plans to develop CD manuals, curriculum, and bulletin.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, along with external consulting firms/Resource person, will be hired through a public procurement process. in close coordination with PCU and OCMCM. The PCGG will prepare training modules and Good Governance Bulletin in this fiscal year.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Document\_formulated\_Policy, 700

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1583)

Activity: Implementation and Management of Policy Dialogue Program on Federalism Empowerment

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on implementing and managing a Policy Dialogue Program on Federalism Empowerment in Bagmati Province. The program aims to facilitate discussions among key stakeholders, including provincial and local government officials, policymakers, and civil society members, on strengthening federalism's implementation. By exploring challenges, opportunities, and best practices, the dialogue will promote a shared understanding of federalism and empower provincial and local governments to execute their mandates effectively.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Bagmati will organize and manage this policy dialogue program. PRTA will coordinate with relevant stakeholders, including provincial and local governments, to identify participants and key discussion topics. The logistics, such as venue setup, participant invitations, and preparation of discussion materials, will be managed by PRTA. Following the dialogue, PRTA will document the outcomes and recommendations to support ongoing federalism empowerment efforts in the province.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1584)

**Activity:** Capacity development programme to the PCGG Staffs.

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG is envisaged to be the center of excellence with a strong presence in the field of capacity development right from its inception. PCGG staff is a must for delivering capacity development through the center effectively. Thus, various method of capacity development mentoring coaching, mobile expert mobilization, peer learning and community of practices on different thematic areas for the staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG in close coordination with OCMCM, will identify professional training and make contracts to deliver the beyond the training capacity development for PCGG staff.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, , 300

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1586)

<u>Activity</u>: Inter -province learning sharing exposure visit of PCGG staffs.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A Learning Sharing Visit of PCGG staff will be conducted in coordination with PCGG of other provinces

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will coordinate with other PCGG and PPIU of other provinces. Staff of PCGG with TA will be accompanied in the team. There will be mutual sharing of best practices, challenges, and innovation.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1,,200

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.6.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1587)

**Activity:** Organize coordination meeting with CD stakeholders

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

Narratives: PCGG has been envisioned as a coordinating agency for all training providers in the public sector within the province to avoid duplication and overlap in the changed federal context. The PCGG will organize bimonthly co-ordination meetings with Development Partners providing training to the public sector. The meetings will create a platform to discuss their CD priorities and develop common understanding, prepare bimonthly review and action plan to make effective, efficient and ensure quality of services.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will conduct a stakeholders mapping engaged in the capacity building areas at the PLG level. The PCGG will take the lead in organizing the coordination meetings inviting representatives from relevant PG's Commissions, Authorities, ministries, development agencies for their representative participation in the meetings. The meeting will be organized on a half-yearly.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1597)

**Activity:** Orientation training/ review for LISA implementation

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

Narratives: The Local Government Institutional Self- Assessment (LISA) is a tool to identify institutional strength and weakness of LGs in ten thematic areas and assess the status of the LGs. However, this requires knowledge enhancement support to LGs to effectively apply the preset criteria and indicators to measure their strength and weakness. A ToT on LISA was conducted to produce local resource persons to facilitate LISA implementation in LGs. The resource persons are facilitating the LISA process by conducting orientations and providing support for data entry in LISA software. It is planned to follow up the progress of LISA implementation in LGs by all provinces by providing technical backstopping through the trained facilitators. The elected representatives and staff of LGs will be provided with refresher orientation on LISA to enable them for their continued effort in LISA implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with PCU, will organize refresher orientation to the elected representatives and staff of LGs. In addition, PCGG will provide technical backstopping for smooth implementation of LISA in LGs when and where required.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_LISA Assessment\_LG, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1590)

**Activity:** Orientation training/ review for FRA implementation

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

Narratives: The FRAP is a tool to identify institutional strengths and weaknesses of LGs in five thematic areas with 100 indicators related to public financial management. It is introduced in all LGs of the province. An online portal for assessment has also been developed by MoFAGA where LGs conduct self-assessment on the given indicators, the result of assessment performed by LGs is then assessed by respective district coordination committees (DCCs). After a series of interaction, feedback and correction, a final assessment result of each LG is made public. After MTOT at federal level and orientation to LGs/DCCs at provincial level, over 117 LGs have published Fiduciary Risk Assessment results in FY 22/23. Thus in coming FY also, it has been planned to orient all LGs and DCCs on the FRA guideline as well as online assessment portal.

**Implementation Arrangement:** The PCGG, in coordination with PCU, will organize a provincial review workshop with LGs and DCCs. The DCC will provide feedback and technical backstopping to the LGs based on the responsibility mentioned in FRA guideline through regular monitoring and evaluation support in software portals. In addition, PCGG will provide technical backstopping for smooth implementation of FRA in LGs through DCCs when and where required.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_FRA Assessment\_LG, 4500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1595)

**Activity:** Orientation/Training on Internal Control System for LGs

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2074, local governments are required to establish and manage internal control systems. The internal control system will help to follow the rules and regulations in carrying out day-to-day activities of local governments. The Internal Control System is yet to be established in most of the local governments. It is planned to develop an internal control guideline and implement through orient and develop guidelines in local governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will carry out mapping to identify the LGs who haven't prepared an internal control system. The mapping will help to avoid overlapping. Selected LGs will be oriented with coordination with PTCO; it will be conducted through hiring consulting service according to Procurement rules. MoFAGA has prepared the Internal Control Guideline (sample) for the LGs and the orientation will be based on this guideline.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1718 2.7.25.1697 2.7.25.1594)

Activity: Support / workshop for Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) for LGs

## To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

Narratives: The increasing expenses of local governments have made it imperative to enhance internal revenue mobilization capacity to support their expenditures and strengthen their capabilities. This requires exploring the possibilities of revenue authority at the local level, identifying necessary policy, legal, and managerial reforms to mobilize potential revenue sources, and implementing these measures. Based on these efforts, there is a need to project the actual internal revenue that can be mobilized in the future, thus highlighting the necessity of a revenue reform action plan. To study and analyze the current state of revenue, identify the necessary actions for revenue reform, strengthen overall revenue administration, and facilitate the revenue projection for the next three fiscal years, the five seleted local levels in Bagmati Province have to Support / workshop for Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) for LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will organize / workshop for Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) for selected 5 LGs in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in these events.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Document\_RIAP, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1625)

**Activity:** Conduct orientation on MTEF to LGs

#### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Intergovernmental Fiscal Management Act 2074, federal, provincial and local governments are required to prepare public expenditure statements in every fiscal year. Additionally, the Local Government Operational Act 2074, clause 34, requires the sectoral medium-term expenditure framework and development plans in the local governments However, many local governments have not practiced preparing the medium term expenditure framework correctly, mainly due to a lack of knowledge. The elected representatives and officials need basic orientation/training. It is thus planned to orient elected representatives and officials of local governments on MTEF. This is a regular activity and is planned by PCGG Bagamati for next fiscal year.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Center for Good Governance (PCGG) in consultation with the OCMCM will select the LGs and coordinate with concern LGs to orient and coach in MTEF. PCGG will manage to orient the MTEF of selected LGs in a participatory approach The PCGG in coordination with PCU will mobilize resource persons on MTEF at province level. The resource persons will support participants in preparing a medium-term expenditure framework through practical sessions during the orientation.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1600)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Economic Development Assessment to the LGs elected representatives and Officials. (119)

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This programme aim to conduct orientation programme to the elected representative and staff of Economic Development committee of all 119 LGs. After this orientation LGs will be started to assess the Economic Development in their LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1601)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct workshop on Internal audit and audit arrear management to the LGs representative and staff. (119 LGs)

## **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA**

<u>Narratives</u>: According to the Financial Comptroller General Office audit report, a huge gap in financial discipline and audit arrears seen in LGs. If this issue will not settle on time it will be questionable for the governance system. So, local representatives and officials should build common understanding of the financial procedures and fiscal accountability. Based on LGs suggestions PCGG will have planned this programme for the key leaders (representative) and officials of 119 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1604)

Activity: Organize 5 days Advance level Public Procurement Management training to the LGs staff.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: 5 days training will be conducted to the Account officer/Accountant of the 119 LG. This programme aim to enhance skills and knowledge on Public Procurment.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with PPMO. Selected officials will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1608)

Activity: Organize Public Procurement Management training to the LG Representatives.(119 LGs)

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Propose of the training to build-up common understanding between LG representatives and Finance and admin chief on public procurement. This programme will be organized for 119 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with PPMO. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Training-ER, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1615)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize training on Public Assets Management System (PAMS) to the Assets Management Unit staff.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: FCGO has been updating on PAMS for LGs. It will be needed to provide training on updated system to the LGs. Therefore, PCGG will plan for this activity for the head of Public Assists management with the technical support of FCGO. After this training, LGs will be fully institutionalized the PAMS.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will organise the PAMS training with coordination and tecchnical supports of FCGO.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1631)

Activity: Conduct orientation to LGs elected women on Local Government Operation

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This orientation programme will have planned for the local level women representative on local level operation defined by constitution of Nepal, LGOA, 2074 and other laws. Howevever, ward level women representative have inadequate knowledge as per the provisioned. Therefore, most of the women ward members seem inactive in local level activities. LGs will be selected based on the remoteness of the LGs, LISA indicators and demand for the LGs. After this training women elected will have been clear on their roles and responsibilities and engaged ward level activities actively and enhancing their participation in LGs different committees and decision making level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the LGs. Women elected representatives of the ward committee will participate in the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-ER, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1634)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development programme to the District Coordination Committee Representative and Staff.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: DCCs are key stakeholders of the PCGG for implementation of the Capacity Development Activities in LGs. DCCs have been supporting the PCGG on LGs' institutional development activities i.e. LISA, FRA, MTEF and district-level training/workshop. So, as per the suggestion of the DCCs head PCGG plan for these activities to the DCC Chief/Vice-Chief/member and DCO of all 13 districts.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with DDCs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1635)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation Programme on planning, Revenue Management and Recommendation to the Representative of Metro Politian and Sub-Metro politian city.

# **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA**

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG will organize 4 events with objective to build the capacity of local level to perform planning process, revenue management etc targeted to representatives of Metropolitan and submetropolitan city.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives will participate in the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation-ER, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1636)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize Capacity development programme to the Ward Secretory/staff of Metro-politian and Sub Metor-politian city .

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG will organize 4 events with objective to build the capacity of local level to perform ward level planning process, revenue management etc targeted to ward level officials of Metropolitan and submetropolitan city.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Officials of ward office will participate in the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1638)

**Activity:** In-service training to the LGs staff

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG will conduct In-service training for the Officer level and Assistant level staff of the LGs. Two event will have been conducted for this event. This training will help to personal growth, promotion as well as make competent to the staff. And, ultimately, it will make effective service delivery to citizens.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The participants will be selected based on criteria and their request to take in service training. The groups of participants will be arranged to make uniform participants (level/joining date/location of offices etc.). A standard course for assistant and officer levels will be prepared/customized. The training will be organized on a cluster basis in different places of the provinces. Resource personnel from Roster/ CDMIS will be deployed in consultation with OCMCM and LGs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_In Service\_LG, 2200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1642)

**Activity:** Conduct capacity development training to the ITOs of LGs.

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: ITO needs to scale up their knowledge and skill for strengthening the e-Governance system at the Local level. Therefore, PCGG has designed this training. PCGG will be conducted the TNA of the ITO, and based on the TNA report training course will be developed. This training will have targeted for all 119 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. IT Officials LGs will participate in the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1643)

Activity: Conduct training on Land use and settlement management

to the LGs Technical staff (45 LGs)

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Land use and settlement management are seems main issues of the LGs. They do not have proper plan for the using of land i.e. agriculture, business, housing and so on. Similarly, traditionally settlement are residing near by the disaster prone area as well as scattered.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Technical staffs of LGs will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1644)

**Activity:** Conduct training on Road and Municipal

transportation masterplan to the LGs Technical staff. (119)

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This program will have targeted to the technical staffs of LGs to enhance capacity on Road and Municipal transportation masterplan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Technical staffs of LGs will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.19 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1646)

**Activity:** Conduct training on Bio-Engineering to the

Local and Provincial staff.

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This program will have targeted to the technical staffs of LGs and PG to enhance capacity on Bio-Engineering .

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with PG and LGs. Technical staffs of PG and LGs will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.20 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1647)

**Activity:** Conduct training on School Administration

to the LGs Education Officer.

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This programme will have targeted to the Education department/section and Secondary school principal for enhancing the leadership skill and administrative management for an effective learning environment for students. This will be conducted in three events for all 119 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Education Officers of LGs will participate in the training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.21 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1648)

**Activity:** Training on Vital registration, Social Security

and Recommendation to the Ward Chairperson and Ward Secretory.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

Narratives: LGOA, 2074 section 12 has defined the role, responsibilities and right of the ward committee clearly. Under this section Vital Event registration, Social Security and 35 defined recommendations or certification are crucial responsibilities of the Ward-Chairperson and Secretary. Hence, this is a required training for ward-chair and ward secretary. And also is in high demand from the LGs. This training will be conducted to the LGs in three clusters. The PCGG will manage four events based on the number of participants. After receiving the training, the Ward-chair and Secretary will understand their jurisdictions and citizens will get effective service from the ward committee.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives will participate in the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.22 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1632)

Activity: Conduct Interaction programme with LG about LGs good

practices and it's publication.

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: LGs have many good practices and success cases in regards to PLGSP program implementation however, there is no documentation of these good practices. Thus, these good practices will be documented and disseminated in the fiscal year 81/82. For the documentation, PCGG will collect the good practices from LGs by conducting workshops and visiting LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Best practices of the LG's will be collected, documented, compiled and publication by PCGG.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.7.23 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1719)

**Activity:** Training Material print for PCGG

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Essential training and IEC materials for PCGG will be conducted for internal and External purposes. It will help to establish the identity of PCGG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will identify required training/IEC materials, prepare and publication.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Masterplan, 1000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1639)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on registered Firad and Misil to Judicial committee and monitoring by court to judicial committee member, staff and facilitator of level level.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To make the legal system more responsive toward the GESI, capacity enhancement of the responding mechanism is important. Thus, these activities planned to provide the technical knowledge to Judiciary Committee's members for egarding the registration of complaints and petitions and GESI friendly case handling.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will organise orientation regarding the registration of complaints and petitions in the judicial committee for local level staff facilitators and members of the judicial committee, as well as monitoring by the court

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1640)

<u>Activity</u>: Review and interaction program on GESI Audit, GRB, GESI Strategy and Code of Conduct to local level elected representative and staff.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG has been working /supporting to local level to mainstream GESI, GRB, GESI strategy endorsement and implementation of the code of conduct to reduce GBV since last years. So, objective of this event will be reviewed and interaction among the local level to find out overall status. PCGG will organize two event review and interaction program for elected representative and staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will design the program contents and plan in coordination with the PCU and resource person. PCGG will then recruit Consultants to conduct the follow-up/ review workshop with concerned LGs to review and discuss with LGs.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1701)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on women, children and marginalize targeted ward level planning process to elected representative and staff of planning section of local level.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Objective of this event is to build the capacity of local level to perform ward level planning process targeted to women, children and marginalize community. PCGG will organize 3 events orientation program for elected representative and staff of planning section.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1703)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Child Friendly Local Governance (CFLG) to elected representative and staff of local level elected representative and staff.

# **To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA**

<u>Narratives</u>: The government aims declare all 753 local levels child-friendly zones by 2030 and adopt strategies such as mainstreaming, policy advocacy and awareness, institutional development, capacity development etc. Based on this aim, LGs of Bagmati Province are working on CFLG declaration process. Therefore, PCGG has designed the plan of orientation program on CFLG to elected representative and staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1633)

**Activity:** Orientation Programme on social audit to the LGs representatives

To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct an orientation program on social audits for local government (LG) representatives in Bagmati Province. The program will introduce the concept, processes, and importance of social audits in promoting transparency, accountability, and citizen participation in local governance. By equipping LG representatives with the knowledge to carry out effective social audits, the activity will strengthen public oversight of government activities and improve service delivery.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Bagmati will organize this orientation program, inviting experts in social auditing to facilitate the sessions. PRTA will handle logistics, including participant coordination, venue arrangements, and preparation of orientation materials. After the program, PRTA will provide follow-up support to the local governments as they implement social audit practices in their respective areas.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-ER, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.9.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1700)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity building training to Dalit and Marginalize Executive Member of local level to reduce social discrimination.

### To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to provide capacity-building training for Dalit and marginalized executive members at the local level in Bagmati Province. The training will focus on empowering these members with the knowledge, skills, and strategies to address social discrimination and promote inclusivity in local governance. By enhancing their leadership capabilities, the activity seeks to strengthen their role in decision-making processes and contribute to the reduction of social discrimination within their communities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Bagmati will coordinate this training program, inviting experts in social inclusion, human rights, and local governance to facilitate the sessions. PRTA will manage all logistical aspects, including participant selection, venue setup, and preparation of training materials. After the training, PRTA will provide ongoing support to the participants, helping them implement the learned practices to foster inclusive governance in their respective local areas.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-ER, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 3.2.9.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1641)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct Inter Government Relation and governance promotion interaction programme to the LGs Mayor/Chairperson.

# To be implemented by: Bagamati-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct an interaction program for the mayors and chairpersons of local governments (LGs) in Bagmati Province, focusing on inter-governmental relations and governance promotion. The program will provide a platform for discussing challenges, opportunities, and best practices related to inter-governmental coordination, collaboration, and effective governance. By fostering dialogue, the activity seeks to strengthen the understanding and cooperation among different levels of government to improve overall service delivery and governance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Bagmati will organize and facilitate this interaction program. PRTA will coordinate with local governments to invite mayors and chairpersons, manage venue arrangements, and prepare discussion materials. Experienced facilitators in inter-governmental relations and governance will guide the sessions. Post-interaction, PRTA will document key takeaways and recommendations to support ongoing efforts in enhancing inter-governmental relations and governance in the province.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Interaction, 2000

### 5.8. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Gandaki

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1272)

**Activity:** Policy and laws formulations

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

Narratives: Gandaki Province Government has formulated 71 Acts, Formation Orders: 5, Regulations 20, Guidelines/ Directives: 34 upto this fiscal year 2080/081. In FY 079/80, the provincial government (By Secretary level meeting) has identified 41 laws to be drafted in coming days as per the constitutional provision. PLGSP has a greater support to draft laws in support to proper functioning of the provincial government. To date, 20 laws are in operation which has been drafted in support of PLGSP and 34 laws have been reviewed and amended out of 50 laws. The provincial government is seeking support from PLGSP on it.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Committee model, Existing Law drafting committee in the OCMCM will carry on the activities

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Act, 518

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1296)

**Activity:** Policies and laws audit to make GEDSI friendly

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki Province has adopted the GESI Policies in every nukes and corner of its activities and wants to carry review to update in Policy, Acts and Regulations, guidelines accommodating the Disables provision for making it GEDSI friendly.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Drafting ToR,

Outsourcing the service

Report submission for amendment of Law

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Evaluation Report, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1279)

**Activity:** Post legislature Audit (68 laws)

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Prepared laws of Gandaki province, there is the need of implementation audit based on their execution, based on the fulfillment of the formation objectives, and the gaps to address. Hence, 5-8 such acts will be audited by outsourcing the service and get the report to find out the gap and purpose of updation.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Drafting ToR,

Outsourcing the service

Report submission for amendment of Law

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1280)

**Activity:** Policy Dialogue with LGs

**To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU** 

<u>Narratives</u>: The implementation of cooperative federalism, intergovernmental coordination and addressing the issues between province and local government/s, i.e. revenue sharing, staff management, fiscal transfer, the geographical boundaries, are existed in this province. For the resolution, policy dialogue should be in place and the activity is proposed for coordination/ discussion of the issues.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision implementation

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Interaction, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1282)

**Activity:** Inter and Intra Sectoral Committee meeting

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Based on the provision of 'Federal, Province and Local level (Coordination and Interrelation) Act, 2077, the subject committee meetings needs to be done periodically.

Implementation Arrangement: Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision implementation

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1283)

**Activity:** PLGSP Steering Committee meeting

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Steering Committee provisioned under PLGSP, is the governing body of PLGSP in the province and provides strategic guidance to the PPSU and PRTA in terms of policy, contents and activities. Also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programmes on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) will meet at least on a trimester basis to review progress and address issues and problems encountered during implementation of the activities. It also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programmes on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) is formed under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister. In the committee, 19 members including the representatives from DCC, Municipality and Rural Municipality associations, principal secretary and secretaries from PG ministries and representatives from LGAs are based on the provision of PLGSP ProgDoc.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in coordination with PPD and Principal Secretary will prepare concepts including the agenda, schedule and updated list of members. PPSU will further facilitate the organization of the meeting and inform participants including necessary logistic and event management support. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and shared with concerned stakeholders as appropriate.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1285)

**Activity:** Good practices sharing among LGs

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

Narratives: Sharing best practices among province and local governments is vital for promoting learning, innovation, and efficiency in governance and public service delivery. This activity aims to create a platform for province and local governments to exchange successful practices, experiences, and strategies, fostering an environment of mutual learning and collaboration. By organizing interactions and publishing comprehensive reports on best practices, this initiative will enable the dissemination of valuable insights and approaches that can be adapted and implemented by other governments. Engaging in these exchanges not only encourages replication of effective practices but also enhances intergovernmental coordination, supporting the overall goals of efficient, accountable, and inclusive governance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: -Best practice collection,

- Event organize,
- Presentation/ facilitation,
- -Publication of report

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_PLG, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1287)

**Activity:** Meeting/ monitoring support to Provincial Monitoring Committee

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki province has formulated the 'Monitoring and Evaluation Guidelines' and it has provision of various level monitoring mechanism. For the purpose of effective monitoring and feedback fulfillment, the meeting of the committee and feedback system will help for the effectiveness of project implementation and result achievement.

Implementation Arrangement: Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision implementation

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_PLG, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1289)

Activity: Planning, policy and monitoring capacity development of provincial staffs

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: There is a need to enhance capacity and skills of Province government staffs involved in planning, monitoring and policy formulation. Two events of such training is planned for those staffs of the planning and monitoring sections of every ministries and Offices (wherever possible) to encorporate in 3 days such trainings so that they could provide input in policy formulation, effectively design planning with GRB, SDG codes and monitoring as well.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Concept note preparation,

Participants selection, Resource person selection,

Training organize,

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1409)

**Activity:** Implementation of Province CD Action plan (Support to Ministries)

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In the last fiscal year 2080/081, Gandaki Province Government (OCMCM) has prepared the Capacity Development Plan for three years. Based on the action plan and suggestion in the report, different activities will be organized by OCMCM to the Ministries.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Concept note preparation,

Activities finalizaiton for the support,

Action taken, Monitoring, reporting

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_PG Ministries, 2000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.481)

**Activity:** Inter province Benchmarking practice visit

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: After implementation of federalism, PLGs have experienced many practices in different ways in the area of organization structure, staff mobilization, law making, plan/budget, GESI practices, program implementation modality, LED, and many more. An event of Provincial government officials learning sharing and benchmarking visit support to exchange their innovative ideas of federalism practices, issues, challenges and way forward strategeis that can be replicate to Gandaki province if appropriate situation. They will gain the knowlege with ground reality directly to the field and will able to internalize the learning. Therefore Gandaki province can improve thier service delivery and implementing development rights in proper way by replicating success practices from other provinces through the event. Besides, the event supports for benchmarking the specific area phenomenon and make strategies for achievieng results in a sustainable way.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will implement this activity coordinating with other provinces in close consultation with concentred officials of OCMCMand other stakeholders. A visit report and presentation slides will prepared after event completion and discuss the sucess practices of other provinces while planning and budget at Gandaki province. The sucess practices will be replicated on the basis of it's appropriatness at Gandaki Province.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.936)

**Activity:** Province Coordination Council meeting

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Coordination Council is recently provisioned under the Federal, Provincial and Local Levels (Coordination and Interrelations) Act, 2077, Clause 24 and 25. The inner spirit of this provision is to consult on the issues (dividend of resources, consultation on formulating law/act/guideline on conclusive powers, identifying strategic areas for mutual benefit, developing functional relationship & policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues if any) between provincial and local governments. Besides, this council meeting would tie up the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the provincial and local governments. In addition, the council is provisioned to resolve any issues in-between the PLGs. This activity will support the OCMCM, the secretariat of the Provincial Coordination Council (PCC), to conduct the meeting effectively in setting agendas and giving resolutions. This activity will further entail other sub activities prior and after the PCC meeting. The PPIU will support in strengthening the PCC Secretariat at OCMCM, in drafting the agendas, implementing the decisions, finding out the common issues, strengthening sectoral committees in PG as well as recording minutes and disseminating the decisions to all concerned.

Implementation Arrangement: The OCMCM(s) /PPIU(s) will identify the issues/agendas to be discussed in PCC together with the consultation of PGs, LGs, LGs Associations and others that benefit all. In this connection, PPIU will assist the Secretariat in developing a concept note along with a cost contribution scheme and expected outcomes for the implementation of PCC decisions for example joint working modalities between the PGs and LGs. The PPIU will assist in dissemination of the meeting minutes (decisions) of the PCC and Sectoral Committees widely to LGs and PG ministries. Further as necessary, the PPIUs will support the OCMCMs to conduct necessary visits and consultations with LGs and PCC members to update the status and decision execution.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.477)

**Activity:** Province Assembly Committee Interaction

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To improve the coordination and cooperation and to resolve any issues to leverage the performance of the provincial government and parliamentarians, make effective oversight, 4 Provincial Assembly Committees and 3 Cabinet Committees will have discussion over issues and make consensus to make the provincial government more transparent, accountable and inclusive. 3 workshops will be organized and facilitated by OCMCM and Province Assembly Secretariat.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM/ PPIU in consultation with other ministries and Province Assembly Secretariat will organize the workshop.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1108)

**Activity:** Federalism Dialogue (issue based)

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the constitutional provision article no 232, PPIU / OCMCM will be organized interaction programs on different issues like as: (intergovernmental issues, climate change, disaster risk reduction, governance, coordination and collaboration among provincial and local governments) at 10 districts and provincial level to strengthen cooperatives federalism. The main aim of these activities is identifying strategic areas, developing functional relationships, & policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues of the provinces. PPIU /OCMCM will hire experts from different themes and mobilize for these programs at district and province level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM/ PPIU will support to conduct issue based dialogue on emerging contemporary issues such as intergovernmental issues i.e. fiscal transfer, revenue sharing, planning and implementation, reporting, horizontal coordination and collaboration, climate change, disaster risk management, coherence in between and among PG and LGs. The particular issues to be identified in consultation with PPD/PPM and concern authorities/stakeholders. The program will be organized by hiring consultants through the procurement process. OCMCM/ PPIU will support the process of program planning, implementation, reporting and documentation

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1721)

<u>Activity</u>: Rewarding the Best performer LGs based on LISA, FRA, LED scoring in collaboration with LG Associations

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To enhance the Intergovernmental relation between Province and Local Governments level, Gandaki Province put new concept of felicitating the local government/s who have secured best positions in Local Government Institutional Self Assessment (LISA) in support of the Local Government Associations (ADCCN, MUAN, NARMIN).

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: LGs selection, event organize, awarding to the top scorer LGs

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_LG, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.467)

**Activity:** Public Hearing to provincial offices at district level

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki Province has developed SA promotion tools guideline, 2077 and needs to implement for transparency and accountability of public service to achieve the result. So, 2 numbers of events will be conducted and supported to make public services more transparent and accountable in Gandaki province.

**Implementation Arrangement:** 2 Offices will be selected,

Concept note and ToR prepared,

Outsourcing of Services

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Public Hearing, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1297)

**Activity:** Citizen Satisfaction Survey of sampled provincial offices

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki Province has taken the strategy to make the people centered government and focus its service delivery towards fulfilling the purpose. Each of its service delivery offices in the districts have Citizen Charter, Grievance Management System, Complaint Box. Further, to assess the level of peoples' satisfaction over the provided service, a comprehensive citizen satisfaction survey is planned.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Guidelines formulation, Outsourcing the third party, carry out the survey, report dissimination.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Institutions\_PG Agencies, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1418)

**Activity:** Orientation of Provincial Personal Information system

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: There is a Personnel Information System Management initiated in the Province last year. Hence, the orientation on the system and its use is utmost need and one day orientation is planned to provide to the staffs involved in the Administration Section.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Date, Venue and Participants selection,

Facilitators management,

Report preparation,

System management, functional

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.19 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1417)

Activity: Sheetroll collection, PIS inventory and record management

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For the effective managment of PIS, it is planned to enter 3000 staffs'information into the system

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Sheetrol collection, entry, quality assessment

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_PG Agencies, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.20 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1421)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity Development of Province Personal Records Section/ Province Nijamati Kitabkhana (logistics, training, exposure)

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For the effective management of PIS, there is Province Civil Service Personnel Record Management Section in the OCMCM. However, it need to equipped with the necessary equipment and exposure to the sections, gaining experience of National PIS and other Provinces PIS and trainings have planned for the staffs of the Section.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Need assessment of Section,

Exposure visit,

Training

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_PG Agencies, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.21 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1740)

**Activity:** RTI LG level Monitoring Committee Meeting

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In the Right to Information Monitoring Guidelines, 2019, Article-5, there is the provision of Province level Monitoring Committee under the Chair of one of the Secretary of OCMCM for monitoring of information display by Provincial Ministries and entities. So, it is planned to provide support to organize the meeting from PLGSP.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Organize Meeting,

Agenda fixing,

Decesion sharing, implementation

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.22 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1302)

**Activity:** Support to Provincial Audit Arrears Clearance Monitoring Committee,

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: There is the province level Audit arrears clearance committee in the chair of Principal secretary and this activity supports to keep financial displine, put records of audit arrears and guide/instruct to clear the arrears in time.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Meeting, Interaction

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.23 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1303)

**Activity:** Organization and Management Survey of Province

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The O&M process is not completed in the province due to the change in the ministries and its' departments and sections. Hence, it is planned to do O&M survey as per need.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Demand collection,

Committee formation,

Report receive,

Approval process

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.24 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1722)

**Activity:** Support to Province Public Service Commission (system, talent hunt)

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: At present the youth motivation and participation to civil service related exam is very low. To motivate the talent youth to the civil service, it is planned to provide information through different means like interactive CD, youtube, dissimination materials and motivational speech in the higher secondary schools, campuses and Universities.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Fund channelize to PPSC,

Activities design and implementation,

Follow up, monitoring

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Developed, 1400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.25 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1306)

Activity: Leadership transformation workshop to female staffs of the province

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To encourage/ motivate the female staffs by boosting up their moral for their performance and result delivery at highest level, sharing of their success by the top level female personnel is thought of crucial. Hence, this activity is planned to organize a sharing/ interaction workshop with the higher female personnels engaged in civil service with the officer level female staffs of the province to aquint of the good practices that make them successful in their carreer.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Selection of Staffs, mentors, date and venue,

organize interaction, report preparation

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.26 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1307)

**Activity:** Management skill transfer training to support level female staffs

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To encourage/ motivate the female staffs by boosting up their moral for their performance and result delivery at highest level, sharing of their success by the top level female personnel is thought of crucial. Hence, this activity is planned to organize a sharing/ interaction workshop with the higher female personnels engaged in civil service with the Assistant level female staffs of the province to aquint of the good practices that make them successful in their carreer.

**Implementation Arrangement:** "Selection of Staffs, mentors, date and venue,

organize interaction, report preparation"

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.27 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1420)

**Activity:** GEDSI Code of conduct formulation, implementation

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the Suggestion and feed back of GESI Audit report, there is a need of formulation of GEDSI Code of conduct and orient to the staff on it, GEDSI code of conduct for the PG will be prepared, printed in flex, hanged up in the work station and orient staffs on it.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: GEDSI Code of conduct finalized by the GEDSI Steering Committee, Staff orientation, Print the Code of Conduct in flex and hang up in the section and departments of the offices.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Code of conduct, 200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.28 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1310)

Activity: Review of implementation of GEDSI audit action plan of previous fiscal year

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: PLGSP has effortful support in regard to the GESI mainstreaming in the Gandaki province. GESI policy guidelines with GESI audit indicators have finalized and 7 provincial ministries and offices have conducted GESI audit with formation of Action Plan to fill the gap. Hence, it is proposed to assess the effectiveness of the action plan implementation and find out the improvement in committment of Gandaki province government towards GESI mainstreaming.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM/PPIU will arrange in coordination with concerned agencies by outsoursing potential consultacy services. OCMCM/PPSU will prepare ToR of the consultant and carry out the assessment as well as conduct internal meetings within the provincial ministries, GESI focal person and concerning personnel. A comprehensive report will be prepared and submitted to GESI Directives Committee and proper instruction will be provided to concerning ministries who have low progress to satisfy fullfilling the gaps.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.29 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1309)

**Activity:** GEDSI focal persons review/ reflection meeting

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The GESI Policy of the PG has provisioned the Focal Person nomination (Under Secretary level) for each Ministry and Directorates"Office and there should be the regular meeting also to discuss the progress, issues and feedback of each Ministry and Offices. Hence, to support this, GEDSI FP meeting is planned.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Organize meeting/ workshop

Provide Feedback/ Suggestion to Focal persons

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Meeting, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.30 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1311)

**Activity:** Implementation of GEDSI Action Plan activities

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the Suggestion and feed back of GESI Audit report and action plan, there is a need to support to implement the activities for fulfilling the gaps. Hence, based on the assessment, provincial offices will get support to improve their infrastructures to make GEDSI friendly where possible.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Lisiting the Gaps,

Visit Offices, verify the gaps, discussion with the staffs, prepare the concept note with the necessary intervention, perform activities, report.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_Logistic, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.31 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1267)

**Activity:** GRB audit of selected provincial Ministries

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: There is the provisions to make Gender Responsive Budget coding while doing planning at the province. However, its effectiveness is not still confirmed. Hence, GRB audit is planned in any two ministries of the province selected by the GEDSI Steering Committee.

**Implementation Arrangement:** GRB Guidelines preparation

Concept and ToR preparation,

Outsourcing of Service provider,

Carry the GRB audit and receive report,

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_GRB Audit-PG, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.32 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1315)

Activity: ICT lab support to LGs for improved quality services for digital learning to schools

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For promotion of Inclusive governance and LNOB as well, this activity is planned to support to those 5 Schools that have good result but in the remote place, lacking with digital learning equipments and modern technology.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Fund channelize to Social Development Ministry,

School selection criteria development,

Activities design and implementation,

Follow up, monitoring

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Support\_Logistic, 2500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.33 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1319)

**Activity:** Operational support to online monitoring system

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: There is online monitoring system in the Gandaki province lead by OCMCM, Every ministries and their entities have to enter their major programme activities, milestones and progress (physical and financial) in the system. PLGSP is supporting for this for four years. For the updates, and training of staffs/ planning sections, this activity is planned.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Staff orientation/interaction/ training<

Interaction with developer and system updates, backstopping,

system operation

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.34 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1292)

<u>Activity</u>: Implementation of E-Governance Master plan (IT staff training, hardware and software support to province)

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki Province had prepared e-Governance Master plan. In this context, the activities under e-Governance Master Plan, which includes the strengthening of existing online systems as well as the development of new systems. Furthur, the provincial IT network will be mobilized to strengthen the information technology systems of Gandaki Province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPIU/OCMCM in consultation with concerned agencies and will prepare the necessary specifications and ToR for the procurement of the consulting services and application for the implementation of e- Governance Master Plan. Finally, the systems will be endorsed and adopted by the OCMCM.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_Logistic, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.35 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1711)

**Activity:** Monitoring of RTI implementation at LGs

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The province level 'Monitoring committee will provide back stopping support to the local government level Information Officer for the proper implementation of Right to Information Act guided activities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Interaction programme with Information Officer as per need.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-ER, 400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.36 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1295)

**Activity:** PFRA implementation, review, follow ups

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In order to make the government agencies' financial system systematic, transparent, lawful and effective, it is necessary to identify potential fiduciary risk areas and mitigation measure and also institutionalize good governance practices. With this objective, Fiduciary Risk Assessment Procedure, 2078 has been formulated by Gandaki Province and has been endorsed by the cabinet. Last fiscal year, Provincial ministries have started the self-assessment and submitted it to the OCMCM. Hence, it is planned to continue the the assessment process reviewing with the last year's assessment.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPIU/OCMCM in close coordination with MoEAP and Provincial Finance Comptroller's Office, will organize a review workshop on the result of the assessment of provinces and ministries and work out for the better result and take the ownership. The event will be organized by the technical leadership of MoEAP, PTCO and the experts. The orientation program will be organized for provincial ministries and agencies staff. PPIU/OCMCM will ensure the monitoring of operationalization of assessment on web portals on a regular basis after the orientation program.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Meeting, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.37 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1323)

**Activity:** Tourism Management Information System (TMIS) development

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Gandaki province has the highest potentials in the Tourism sector. Further, Government of Nepal has declared Pokhara as the Tourism Capital. Hence, for the tracking purpose of the Tourist, one system will be developed in the Ministry of Tourism and Industry and make orientation on it with the stakeholders.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Fund channelize to Tourism Ministry,

Need identification, ToR development,

Outsourcing of Service provider/s,

System development, Orientation for its use

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Developed, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.4.38 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1320)

**Activity:** Interaction and Capacity Building Programme with Persons with Disabilities

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To promote the Inclusive governance and Promotion of GEDSI, capacity development activities will be carried out based on the identified needs by the interaction in cooperation with the Disabled forums/ association Kaski

**Implementation Arrangement:** Selection of Disabled organization,

Interation programme with PWD,

Need identification for future activities,

Report preparation, dissimination

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1325)

<u>Activity</u>: Administrative Coordination Committee meeting (Principal Secretary/ Secretaries and DCO, CAO)

# To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Federalism implementation status review was conducted by National Assembly Special Committee with the financial support of PLGSP Gandaki. The report also has recommended to form the Provincial Administrative Coordination Council in the chair of Principal Secretary. For solving the issues at administrative level, the council meeting will be fruitful in its purpose.

# <u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision dissimination,

and Decision implementation, follow up

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1384)

**<u>Activity</u>**: Legal Facilitator support to the LGs (Budgetary)

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

Narratives: The local levels and specially the Judiciary Committee Chairs (Deputy Mayors and Vice Chairs) have been requesting for the legal support human resource to them. Almost all of the Provincial Council meetings have decided to support on it. For implementation of the seventh council meeting, it is decided to provide Legal facilitator (Officer 7th level) to them and for fulfilling the objective, OCMCM has formulated the guidelines and a meeting with LGs'chiefs on selection modalities, fund collaboration etc. Hence, Province Government, PLGSP and Local Governments will collaborate for the legal facilitators to the LGs to support them to the Judicial Committees, drafting laws for the LGs and act as a legal advisor to the Executive Body.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Demand collection,

LGs and number identification,

MoU with the LGs,

Legal Facilitators selection and mobilization, Monitoring and evaluation

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_HR, 10000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1342)

<u>Activity</u>: Dialogues on Horizontal Collaboration, coordination on Tourism management, Economic Corridor, Waste management

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For financially self extem sub-national government, Gandaki province has numerous opportunties for horizontal collaboration and create vibrant economy. For creating the horizontal and vertical collaboration and implementation of common projects is of ultimate need to create multiple employment, physical infrastructure, tourism promotion, agricultural production and Marketing etc. Hence, to facilitate the LGs in coming together and create joint collaborative funding for the commong beneficial projects, Gandaki province government wants to facilitate on it and create conduceive environment between and among the LGs and the private sectors/ cooperatives etc.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Identification of Economic Zone,

Organize meetings, Experts facilitation, discussion on the potentiality and investment, modalities

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-ER, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1375)

**Activity:** CM interaction with DCC Chief, Dy Chief and DCO

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Coordination between the District Coordination Committee is necessary to excelarate the monitoring and supervision of projects implemented by federal, province and local governments. Gandaki Province Government has already prepared the 'Monitoring and Supervision Act' for the facilitation/ mobilization of DCC and regularly provide grants For the purpose. Hence, an Interaction programme is planned to find the issues, progress made by the DCC with Hon'ble Chief Minister.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Concept note preparation,

Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision dissimination,

and Decision implementation, follow up

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1376)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction with CM and Cabinet ministers with LGs Chief in contemporary issues (collaborative planning, budgeting, implementation, legislation, staff)

# **To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU**

Narratives: Constitution provisioned Coordination, Cooperation and Co-existence among the three tire of government which is a guiding principle to implement federalism in Nepal. The intergovernmental relationship and coordination are guided by this principle. The Constitution also provisioned concurrent rights for three levels of government where interrelationship, coordination and cooperation are ensured in the areas of policy and legislations, development interventions and joint effort for the spatial development. As per the constitutional provision in article no 232 and 235, PPSU / OCMCM will organize interaction programs between PG and LG on different issues related to implementation status of federalism and intergovernmental relationship and coordination. The role of the provincial and local government in the areas of revenue management, promotion of local economic development for citizens' prosperity and employment generation are issues to be discussed in the interaction workshop in relation to the IGR. PPSU will support to organize an event of interaction workshop.

#### **Implementation Arrangement:** Concept note preparation,

Agenda collection,

Meeting organize,

Decision dissimination,

and Decision implementation, follow up

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1377)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction with parliament Legislative committee with LGs Legislative committee and public audit committee

# To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For fostering the IG relationship and mentorship in the effectiveness functioning of local government related committees i.e. Law Drafting, Governance with Provincial Assembly releted Legislative Committee and Public Account Committee. For this, an interaction programme (2 days) will be organized between selected LGs'such committees and Provincial Assembly Committees.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Concept note preparation,

Event management<

Report Preparation, and dissimination

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1374)

**Activity:** Strengthening the Monitoring and supervision Committee of LGs

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: All 85 LGs of this province have Monitoring and Supervision Committee in the Chair of Dy Mayor/ Chair as per the provision of LGOA, 2074. However, they are not equally functioning with equal capacity and understanding thier role. Hence, two interaction programme will be organized to make their understanding uniform and make them more active to take their role and responsibilities as per the letter and spirit of the LGOA and its regulation.

#### **Implementation Arrangement:** Selection of LGs,

Selection of venue, date, facilitators,

organize workshops,

Report preparation, dissimination

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop-ER, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1379)

Activity: Orientation, Proposal writing trainings on IPF to P/LGs

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For the uniform understanding on IPF, need/ sector identification and quality proposal writing, It is visualize that proposal writing training must be provided to LGs before calling for proposal. Hence, 4 events of such orientation is planned for meeting the purpose.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Concept note preparation,

Selection of potential LGs based on the preconditions and criteria they met,

Organize training, prepare report and dissiminate

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1380)

<u>Activity</u>: Proposal selection, agreement and implementation suppport/ backstopping and meetings on IPF

# To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For the operation of IPF Scheme selection process, necessary arrangement will be carried out and monitoring, follow up will be done by this planned activity.

### <u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Call of Proposal,

Technical Committee Meeting for Proposal evaluation, Presentation by the LGs, Steering Committee meeting. monitoring supervision

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1412)

Activity: Experience sharing, Interaction, review meetings, site visit on IPF

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In this activity trimester level review workshops will be organized in the province as well as the sharing, interaction meetings among the stakeholders

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Date, venue seelction, communication about workshop, share presentation template, organize workshop, presentation, report preparation, sharing, follow up

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1415)

**Activity:** IPF for schemes

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: 4 -5 Schemes will be selected following the process of CM IPP guidelines and the guiding documents provided by PLGSP/PCU

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Call of proposal, Evaluation, finalization, agreement, implementation, follow up monitoring, feedback, review

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, IPF\_Projects, 60000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1382)

Activity: Documentation, publication and dissimination of Previous IPF and CM IPP projects

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In previous years, 12 projects from IPF/PLGSP, 20 projects from CMIPP have been implemented in the province at different local levels. Hence, it is planned to monitor and document the status and achievements, dissimination to other LGs for the inspiration as a good practice.

Implementation Arrangement: Monitoring visit,

Documentation,

Printing,

Dissimination

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1,,500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.5.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1712)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to remote LGs for strengthening their safe and inclusive Health system by equipments, tools

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: For implementation of LNOB, there is the need of providing some necessary health equipments to those health facilities placed at remote villages where the women and children have low access to better health facilities and suffered from curable diseases. Hence it is planned to support some needful health facilities by providing them health equipments support. The fund will be channelize through Health Ministry/ provincial Health related material supply office and they will provide support to those health facilities placed in the remote areas.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Fund channelize to Health ministry,

Remote health facility selection,

Request to Health material supply office to provide supplies

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_Logistic, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.1.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.443)

**Activity:** Vital Event Registration training for Ward Secretories of LGs

**To be implemented by: Gandaki-PPSU** 

**Narratives:** Training will be provided to the ward secretaries of local governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the National ID and Sivil Registraion

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

## 5.9. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Gandaki

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.4.39 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1188)

**Activity:** Service Entry Training

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of staff are going to be recruited by the provincial government through the provincial Public Service Commission in fiscal year 2024/25. Thus, this activity aims to capacitate the newly appointed staff of PG and LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for the newly appointed staff. Approved Curriculum will be used for assistant and officer levels . The participants will be selected based on criteria. Training duration will be 5 days. Resource persons (firms/ individuals) from the roster will be mobilized. Two events of training will be organized simultaneously.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.4.40 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1126)

**Activity:** IN- Service Training

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: There are around 1000 government staff in the province who need the in-service training for their career development. Thus, this year GPTA is planning to conduct In-service Training to government staff

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Approved standard courses for assistant and officer levels will be used for training. The participants will be selected based on criteria. Training duration will be 30 days.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.4.41 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1365)

**Activity:** Training to PG level staff on TOR writing.

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Training on Terms of Reference (TOR) writing is the major demand of PG level offices while conducting Training Need Assessment. Thus, this event aims to enhance the capacity of PG staff to prepare TOR.

**Implementation Arrangement:** Curriculum will be developed and implemented through PCGG

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.4.42 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1730)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Diplomacy and Hospitality management to Ministers, Chairperson of Thematic Committees of Parliament and Provincial Secretaries

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Diplomacy and hospitality Management skill is the most needed skill of the high profile personal and elected representatives since they have to deal with various delegates on behalf of their organization and nation. This is the demand of the Provincial Ministries during TNA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Event will be implemented in coordination with OCMCM and Gandaki Provincial Assembly.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-ER, 700

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.4.43 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1367)

**Activity:** EIA & IEE training to PG staff

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The objective of EIA is to inform decision-makers of the environmental effects of the Scheme on people and the environment, and to minimize the adverse effects of a project, within engineering and other constraints. Likewise, the objective of Initial Environmental Evaluation is to conduct an environmental study which describes a proposed project, the environment surrounding that project, and identifies and evaluates any likely impacts on that environment. Thus, this activity is planned to provide the knowledge on EIA & IEE to PG level staff so that they could make decision based on the EIA & IEE

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training on EIA & IEE will be conducted for the technical person and decision maker of the PG level offices.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1368)

**Activity:** Public Procurement Training to PG staff

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The public procurement process is a complex process in the government organization. Poor knowledge on public procurement creates the fiduciary risk in the organization. PG and LG level government agencies have demand training on public procurement. Thus, under this activity, Training on public procurement will be provided to LGs staff.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training on Public Procurement will be provided to staff of the Ministries and PG level offices in the districts in coordination with PPMO and Provincial Treasury Controller Office.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.547)

**Activity:** Website renewal and updating

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Updated website is the one of the most important tools of the organization to share their values, history, codes of ethics, organization's information etc. A website of Gandaki Province Training Academy (GPTA) has already come in operation with the roster management system. Website update is an ongoing process, thus GPTA is planning to update its website in 2081/82 too

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Procure the consulting service from the vendor.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Updated, 200

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1340)

**Activity:** Prepare Standard Operating Procedure for Office Administration

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A standard operating procedure (SOP) is a set of written instructions that describes the step-by-step process to perform a routine activity. As an alternative to physical training, GPTA has planned to produce SOP for the staff of office administration.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Consulting services will be procured in accordance with the Procurement Act. A series of consultations will be held on the draft report. The GPTA and other stakeholders will provide feedback on the SOP during the consultation meetings.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Publication\_Learning Modules (Document), 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1289)

**Activity:** Capacity Development training for GPTA staff

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: GPTA is going to recruit its own staff in 2081 through Provincial Service Commission. All new staff require the capacity development to understand and provide the services as per their roles and responsibility. Thus, the first priority of this event is for newly recruited staff of the GPTA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for the GPTA staff based on the training need assessment

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.924)

**Activity:** Learning Sharing Visit of GPTA staff

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A Learning Sharing Visit of GPTA staff will be conducted in coordination with PCGG of other provinces

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: GPTA will coordinate with other PCGG and PPIU of other provinces. Staff of GPTA (regular and TA) will be accompanied in the team. There will be mutual sharing of best practices, challenges, and innovation.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1341)

**Activity:** Publication of Training Resource Materials/ Learning Materials

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: SOP on Store Administration and Office Administration will be published in 2081/82. SOP on Store Administration was prepared in fiscal year 2080/81 and Office Administration will be developed in 2081/82 and published under this activity.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Procure the services from vendor/service provider as per the public procurement act. All publications will be disseminated to Government Offices.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Publication\_Knowledge Products, 1000

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.7 (PLMBIS Number: )

**Activity:** Equipment for the Training Halls

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Construction of the new building of the GPTA will be finished in 2081/82. Thus, new equipment is needed for new training halls. Under this activity the new training hall will be equipped with necessary equipment (e.i. Smart board, furnishing and fixtures etc)

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Procure services from the vendor/service provider as per the public procurement act

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_Logistic, 1500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1316)

**Activity:** Develop Training Information Management System of GPTA

# To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This program aims to develop the Training Information Management System. It will help to track and produce the report of various training activities and resources.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Procure services from the vendor/service provider as per the public procurement act

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Developed, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1362)

**Activity:** GESI audit of GPTA

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct a GESI audit and prepare an action plan for GESI mainstreaming in the

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: TOR for GESI Audit will be prepared and procure consulting services as per Public Procurement Act. The GESI focal person will ensure the quality of the GESI audit in close coordination with GPTA Management team.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_GRB Audit-PG, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.6.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1343)

Activity: Study on Implementation of Various Plans prepared by LGs.

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: GPTA has been supporting LGs to prepare various plans through PLGSP since last four years. However, its implementation status and impact are yet to be found out. Thus, this activity aims to conduct study of various plans prepared by LGs. It includes both plans prepared by LGs itself and supported by GPTA.

Implementation modality

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Develop the TOR for consultants. Procure the consulting services as per the Public Procurement Act.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Evaluation Report, 1000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1721)

<u>Activity</u>: Refresher/follow up training/interactions/Quality Assurance for FRA & LISA implementation

### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Local Government Self-Assessment and Fiduciary Risk Assessment tools have been endorsed to LGs since 2077/78. Program has been backstopping LGs and DCCs to institutionalize these tools in the LGs. Entire LGs (85) of Gandaki Province have uploaded LISA results and LGs have 78 uploaded FRA results in the portal in fiscal year 2080/81. Although all LGs and DCCS are aware of the FRA and LISA tools, there are still some issues on the quality of the LISA and FRA report. Thus, this year's program is planning to conduct a workshop on LISA and FRA to identify, share the issue and make a common understanding among LGs on the indicators of the LISA & FRA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Workshop will be conducted to share the challenges to implement LISA and FRA in LGs. Elected representatives, LISA/FRA focal person, staff of DCC will be the participants. Based on the workshop finding, DCC will further assist LGs in the support of GPTA.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_LISA Assessment\_LG, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1356)

Activity: Interaction with LGs representatives and staff on Internal Control System

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct an interaction with elected representatives and staff of LGs on the internal control system in LGs. During the workshop framework of ICS will be developed and shared among the LGs for the consistency

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: -Elected representatives and staff of LGs will be participating in the workshop.

Sample framework of ICS will be shared among the participants.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1358)

<u>Activity</u>: Dialogue Program with members of Judiciary Committees on the issues arise during judicial procedure.

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The purpose behind the constitutional provision of Judicial Committees is to promote access to justice and resolve disputes at the local level. The three members Judicial Committee is headed by the deputy/vice chairperson of rural/municipality. The Judicial Committee has been empowered to settle disputes related to 13 specific cases. Although the act has made clear the processes and jurisdictions of the Judicial Committees, there are many problems and challenges facing their effective operation. Thus, this issube based dialogue for JC is planned for this year. The objective of this issue based dialogue is to enhance the knowledge and skills of Judicial Committee members and staff

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Members of the Judiciary committee will participate in the interaction program. Expert resource persons will facilitate the interaction session.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1731)

**Activity:** Orientation on disable friendly local governance

To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To ensure the right of the persons with disability, it is necessary to orient the LGs on their issues and mainstream them in development process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Program will be organized in coordination with the National Federation of the Disabled Nepal. Participants will be LGs elected representatives and officials of the concerned department.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1732)

<u>Activity</u>: Training on GESI friendly legal system and psychosocial support for Judicial Committee of LGs.

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To make the legal system more responsive toward the GESI, capacity enhancement of the responding mechanism is important. Psychosocial support for the victim is necessary. Thus, these activities planned to provide the technical knowledge to Judiciary Committee's members for the GESI friendly case handling.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training on GESI friendly legal system and psychosocial support will be conducted for the members of the Judiciary Committees.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1733)

Activity: Interaction with LGs on Code of conduct against the GBV

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The program has been supporting LGs to prepare GESI strategy, GESI audit, formulate Code of Conduct on Workplace Harassment. It is necessary to track the implementation status and its impact in the LGs. Thus, this activity is planned for the interaction workshop with LGs to track the impact and implementation status of GESI strategy, GESI audit, and Code of Conduct on Workplace Harassment.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Workshop will be conducted. Participants of the workshop will be Deputy/vice chairperson and GESI focal person of 85 LGs. GPTA will facilitate them to share their practices and challenges to implement above mentioned activities.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1363)

**Activity:** Child Protection training to Child Right Officer of LGs

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to capacitate the Child Right Officer of LGs so that they could support the LGs to mainstream the Child Right Issues in LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for the child right officer in coordination with the Provincial Child Right Council.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1369)

Activity: Training to elected representatives and staff of LGs on Fiscal Discipline and Audit Arrear

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Fiscal discipline and audit arrears are two important aspects of financial management and accountability within any organization, including government entities such as Local Governments (LGs). During the TNA, most of the LGs and DCC have demanded training on Fiscal Discipline to reduce audit arrears and minimize the fiduciary risk in their organization. Thus, this activity is planning to capacitate the LG and DCC staff on fiscal discipline and audit arrears.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be organized for CAO and Account Officer of the LGs and DCC.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1135)

**Activity:** Capacity Development Training for DCC members

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Members of the DCC still lack the capacity gap to carry out their role as per the Constitution and Laws. DCCs have demanded capacity development training during the TNA. Thus, this activity aims to capacitate the DCC members on constitutional role and responsibility.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Capacity development training will be conducted in coordination with DCC. Participants of the training will be elected representatives of DCC.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-ER, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1370)

Activity: Public Procurement Training to elected representatives and staff of LGs

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Effective public procurement is essential for ensuring transparency, accountability, and value for money in the use of public funds. Training in this area equips procurement government officials, and other stakeholders with the necessary competencies to navigate the complexities of procurement processes and adhere to legal and regulatory requirements. GPTA has been providing public procurement training to PG's staff and LG staff since the last four years. However, training on Public Procurement is still in demand because of its technicality. Thus, this activity aims for LG staff and elected representatives to capacitate them on public procurement and e-bidding.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the PPMO.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.7.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1372)

**Activity:** Training for Spokesperson of LGs

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: he role of a spokesperson of local government is crucial in maintaining communication, transparency, and public relations. Their ability to convey information clearly, manage crises effectively and engage with diverse stakeholders is crucial for the smooth functioning and credibility of the local government. Thus, this activity aims to enhance the knowledge and skill of the spokesperson of LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for LGs' spokespersons in the coordination of LGs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1344)

**Activity:** Revenue Management training to the Revenue Advisory Committee of LGs.

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Although the Constitution of Nepal, 2072 and the Local Government Act, 2074 has made provision for the local governments to collect and mobilize internal revenue from various sources, LGs are not able to collect sufficient revenue from such sources. Thus, this activity aims to enhance the capacity of RAC on revenue management.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for the members of the Revenue Advisory Committee. During the training, a draft of the Revenue Improvement Action Plan will be prepared by participants.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1800

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1736)

<u>Activity</u>: Refresher Training/ interaction on Mid Term Expenditure Framework for elected representatives and officials of LGs.

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Medium Term Expenditure Framework is the tool to interlink the periodic plan with the annual plan. MTEF ensures the resources for the future plan and program and it is mandatory for LGs to prepare their MTEF. Program has been supporting LGs by conducting MTEF orientation to staff and elected representatives. However, most of the LGs are not able to prepare their MTEF by themselves because preparing MTEF is very technical. So, GPTA is planning to organize a follow training/workshop for the LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be organized in clusters. Experienced resources will be mobilized, and the training will be practical, focusing on relevant data from the LGs. Participants will draft plans for their respective LGs during the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1728)

Activity: Training on participatory planning process and monitoring for ward committee members

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The MoFAGA and NPC has developed the LG participatory planning process guideline for LGs to formulate their annual plan and budget. The seven-step planning process has clearly explained the participatory planning process. However, most of the LGs still lack the capacity gap of the participatory planning process. Conducting capacity building training on participatory planning process and monitoring for Ward Committee members is essential to empower them with the knowledge and skills necessary for effective community engagement, decision-making, and monitoring of local development initiatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Coordination will be carried out with local governments (LGs). Experienced resource persons will be mobilized to the LGs to facilitate the training. All ward members of the LGs will participate in the training

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

8, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1734)

Activity: GESI training to women representatives member of ward committee

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: It is essential to equip ward committee members on Gender and Social Inclusion concept and skills to create a more inclusive, equitable and effective governance. Thus, this activity aims to enhance the knowledge of women representatives of LGs on GESI mainstreaming.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted in coordination with the LGs. all the women elected representatives of the ward committee will participate in the training.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Training-ER, 1800

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1727)

Activity: Local Economic Development training for elected representatives of LGs

## To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Local Economic Development (LED) offers Local Government, private sector and local communities the opportunity to work together to improve the local economy. Thus this activity is planned to capacitate the LGs to prepare their LED plan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training demand for LED will be collected from LGs. training will be conducted based on the demand. Trained resource persons will be mobilized to LGs for the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training-ER, 800

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 4.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1735)

**Activity:** Training to CBOs

#### To be implemented by: Gandaki-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Community Based Organizations play an important role in civic oversight. Strengthening capacity of the CBOs foster good governance within the community. Thus, this activity aims to capacitate the CBOs on their roles as a watchdog of the community.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training will be conducted for CBOs. Participants will be selected in coordination with the LGs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

#### 5.10. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Lumbini

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.589)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation and workshop on integrated office management system at the provincial level and other systems, websites, and services provided by the Government of Nepal/Department of Information Technology

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to enhance the digital capacity of provincial offices in Lumbini by providing orientation and workshops on the integrated office management system and other digital tools offered by the Government of Nepal and the Department of Information Technology. The focus will be on equipping provincial officials with skills to efficiently use digital systems for office management, file handling, data security, and communication. By adopting these tools, provincial offices can streamline their operations, improve transparency, and deliver more citizen-friendly services.

Implementation Arrangement: The PPSU- Lumbini will lead this activity in collaboration with the Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA). IT professionals from the Department of Information Technology will be invited as resource persons to facilitate the training sessions. The PPSU will coordinate logistics, ensuring that necessary materials and technical support are in place. Post-workshop, the PPSU will monitor the adoption of these systems and provide additional support as needed to ensure effective implementation.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.595)

<u>Activity</u>: Provincial-level interaction program between three tiers of government in the areas of information technology, e-governance, and data management and coordination (elected representatives and employees)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to facilitate a provincial-level interaction program in Lumbini between the three tiers of government—federal, provincial, and local—focusing on information technology, egovernance, and data management. The program will bring together elected representatives and employees to discuss best practices, challenges, and opportunities in adopting digital solutions for governance. By fostering dialogue and knowledge sharing, the activity seeks to enhance coordination and collaboration across all government levels, promoting more effective use of technology in public service delivery.

Implementation Arrangement: The PPSU- Lumbini will organize this interaction program in collaboration with the OCMCM, PCU, and Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA). Experts in IT and e-governance will be invited as resource persons to guide discussions. The PPSU will coordinate with the federal and local government offices to ensure participation from key stakeholders and manage logistics for the program. Post-event, the PPSU will gather feedback to inform future initiatives in digital governance and intergovernmental coordination.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.603)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation, evaluation, and review support related to Provincial Financial Risk Assessment (PFRA)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Lumbini Province has executed Provincial Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) Procedure. The procedure has provisioned the assessment of fiduciary risks of the province based on the indicators. Assessment of fiduciary risks is avenue for mitigation of financial risk and establishing financial discipline in public financial management. In this ground the orientation and evaluation program will support to understand FRA provisions and evaluate the fiduciary risk of PG. PG ministries and their agencies will be able to prepare the Fiduciary Risk Reduction Action Plan (FRRAP).

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in close coordination with the OCMCM will organize the programme at province level to orient on FRA Procedure. Officials from PG, Chief of Ministries/Agencies, Chief of Finance Administration, Chief of Store Department, Chief of Information and Communication Department, Chief of Planning and Budgeting Department and other concerned staff will participate in the program to discuss FRA Procedure. Representatives from the Province Treasury Controller Office (PTCO) will also be invited in the program.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.606)

**Activity:** Assistance in the formulation of provincial government policies, laws, regulations, procedures, and plans

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Significant number of frameworks and legislations are required to implement federalism successfully. This includes GESI responsive laws related to the operation of the PGs such as public and sectoral administration responsibilities and to enable issuance of necessary laws at the provincial level. As per the recommendations of provincial law study conducted in FY 23/24, there are many laws and regulations to be formulated and revised to make PG more effective and functional. These laws will give clarity on the division of responsibilities and operating procedures. Therefore, this activity will support the PGs to formulate essential law as well as to review and revise the existing law.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Programme Support Units (PPSU)/OCMCM in consultation with MoIAL, Chief Attorney General Office and line ministries will carry out the activities. Formulation and review of laws (acts, regulation and guidelines will be conducted in a consultative way considering main principal to make laws GESI responsiveness. This activity also includes to organize consultative meeting with PG officials, CSOs, GESI activators and citizens to Drafted law, will be forwarded to the Provincial Assembly and provincial cabinate for review and approval through the proper channel by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Law.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Law, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.609)

**Activity:** Provincial Ministry's GESI Audit and Review of audit reports

To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: PLGSP has effortful support in regard to the GESI mainstreaming in the Lumbini province. GESI policy guidelines with GESI audit indicators have finalized and 10 provincial ministries and offices have conducted GESI audit with formation of Action Plan to fill the gap. Hence, it is proposed to assess the effectiveness of the action plan implementation and find out the improvement in committeent of Lumbini province government towards GESI mainstreaming.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM/PPIU will arrange in coordination with concerned agencies by outsoursing potential consultacy services. OCMCM/PPSU will prepare ToR of the consultant and carry out the assessment as well as conduct internal meetings within the provincial ministries, GESI focal person and concerning personnel. A comprehensive report will be prepared and submitted to GESI Directives Committee and proper instruction will be provided to concerning ministries who have low progress to satisfy fullfilling the gaps.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_GESI Audit-PG, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.613)

<u>Activity</u>: Workshops on GESI/GRB/Gender Based Violence reduction for Provincial staff (Provincial and Dstrict level office)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct workshops on Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI), Gender-Responsive Budgeting (GRB), and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) reduction for provincial and district-level staff in Lumbini. The workshops will focus on building the capacity of government employees to understand and integrate GESI principles into their work, implement GRB effectively, and develop strategies to prevent and address GBV. Enhancing the knowledge and skills of provincial staff will help create more inclusive, equitable, and responsive governance structures.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will lead the implementation of these workshops in collaboration with the Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA). GESI and GRB experts will be invited as facilitators to provide comprehensive training. The PPSU will handle the logistics, coordinate participant invitations, and ensure that necessary training materials are available. Following the workshops, the PPSU will collect feedback to guide future capacity-building initiatives in GESI and GBV prevention.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event Workshop-Staff, 1200

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.619)

**Activity:** Orientation on internal control system for provincial ministries

To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2074, local governments are required to establish and manage internal control systems. The internal control system will help to follow the rules and regulations in carrying out day-to-day activities of local governments. The Internal Control System is yet to be established in most of the local governments. It is planned to develop an internal control procedure through conducting orientation to the representatives and officials and collect information required to feed in the ICS framework. The information will further be fitted in the ICS framework to develop a procedure for the local governments as per the guideline developed by MoFAGA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Firstly mapping woll be done to identify the LGs who haven't prepared an internal control system. The mapping will help to avoid overlapping and maximize the use of available resources. Based on the mapping, LGs will be finalized to support in formulation of ICS procedure. The selected LGs will be oriented through hiring consulting service/consultant according to Procurement rules. MoFAGA has prepared the Internal Control Guideline (sample) for the LGs and the orientation will be based on the same guideline.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.626)

<u>Activity</u>: Government Enterprise Architecture Audit and information technology audit and review of provincial and local offices (with sample of 2 provincial offices and 3 local levels - Sub-Metropolitan, Municipality, and Rural Municipality)

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on conducting an audit and review of the Government Enterprise Architecture and information technology systems in selected provincial and local offices in Lumbini. By auditing two provincial offices and three local levels (a Sub-Metropolitan, Municipality, and Rural Municipality), the activity aims to identify strengths, gaps, and areas for improvement in IT infrastructure, data management, and e-governance practices. The findings will guide the development of more robust and efficient IT systems, enhancing digital service delivery and governance across the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will lead this activity, engaging IT audit experts to conduct the audits in the selected offices. PPSU will hire consuling service, if needed and will coordinate with the offices to facilitate access to relevant IT systems and data, ensuring that the review process is thorough. After the audit, the PPSU will organize a review meeting to discuss findings and recommend improvements, providing support for implementing necessary changes.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Institutions\_PG Ministries, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.598)

<u>Activity</u>: Dialogue program on governance reforms and good governance at the provincial level (province, local level associations, development partners, civil society)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to organize a dialogue program on governance reforms and good governance at the provincial level, involving stakeholders such as provincial government officials, local government associations, development partners, and civil society. The program will foster discussions on key governance challenges, reform strategies, and best practices to enhance transparency, accountability, and service delivery. This dialogue is intended to build a shared understanding and collaboration among stakeholders to drive governance improvements in the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will facilitate this dialogue program, coordinating with local government associations, development partners, and civil society representatives to ensure broad participation. Experts on governance and public administration will be invited as resource persons to guide discussions. The PPSU will handle logistical arrangements, including venue setup and dissemination of materials. Post-program, the PPSU will document key insights and action points to support ongoing governance reform efforts.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.604)

Activity: Issue-based inter-provincial dialogue program

To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity seeks to organize an issue-based inter-provincial dialogue program, focusing on common governance challenges and opportunities across provinces. The dialogue will facilitate knowledge exchange and collaboration between provincial officials, addressing key issues such as service delivery, intergovernmental coordination, and policy implementation. By bringing together stakeholders from various provinces, the program aims to identify solutions and strategies that can be adapted and applied to enhance governance practices in Lumbini and beyond.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will coordinate the planning and execution of this inter-provincial dialogue. Relevant provincial stakeholders and experts will be invited to participate in discussions and share their experiences. The PPSU will manage logistics, including participant invitations, venue arrangements, and necessary documentation. Post-dialogue, the PPSU will compile key findings and recommendations to inform future policy and programmatic interventions at the provincial level.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.611)

Activity: Best practice exchange program at the provincial level (province and local level)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: LGs have many good practices and success cases in regards to PLGSP program implementation however, there is no documentation of these good practices. Thus, these good practices will be documented and disseminated in the fiscal year 81/82. For the documentation, PCGG will collect the good practices from LGs by conducting workshops and visiting LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Best practices of the LG's will be collected, documented, compiled and publication by PCGG.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.616)

<u>Activity</u>: Analytical review and feedback collection Workshop on LISA, FRA, and other assessment systems at the provincial level

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity involves organizing an analytical review and feedback collection workshop focused on the Local Institutional Self-Assessment (LISA), Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA), and other assessment systems at the provincial level. The workshop aims to bring together provincial officials to review the effectiveness of these assessment tools, identify gaps, and gather feedback for their improvement. By refining these systems, the activity seeks to strengthen governance, accountability, and service delivery at the provincial and local levels.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will lead this workshop, engaging experts in LISA, FRA, and other assessment systems to facilitate discussions. The PPSU will coordinate with relevant provincial offices, ensuring participation from key stakeholders. Logistical arrangements, including venue setup and material preparation, will be managed by the PPSU. Post-workshop, the PPSU will compile the feedback and findings into a report to guide future enhancements of the assessment systems.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Interaction, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.622)

**Activity:** Meeting of the Provincial Coordination Committee (PLGSP-PCC)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

Narratives: The Provincial Steering Committee is an apex and the governing body of PLGSP in the province and provides strategic guidance to the PPSU and PRTA in terms of policy, contents and activities. Also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programs on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) will meet at least once in a trimester basis to review progress and address issues and problems encountered during implementation of the activities. It also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPSU and PRTA) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programs on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness. The Provincial Steering Committee (PSC) is formed under the chair of Hon'ble Chief Minister.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU in coordination with PPD and Principal Secretary will prepare concepts including the agenda, schedule and updated list of members. PPSU will further facilitate the organization of the meeting and inform participants including necessary logistic and event management support. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and shared with concerned stakeholders as appropriate.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 1200

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.628)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction on development issues between provincial and local governments and joint monitoring of programs operated by the provincial government (including members of the Provincial Coordination Committee)

### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to facilitate interaction on development issues between provincial and local governments, focusing on joint efforts to address challenges and enhance the effectiveness of development programs. Additionally, it includes joint monitoring of programs operated by the provincial government, with participation from members of the Provincial Coordination Committee. This interaction and monitoring will strengthen collaboration, ensure alignment of development priorities, and promote accountability in program implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will coordinate the interaction program and joint monitoring visits. The PPSU will engage members of the Provincial Coordination Committee, provincial officials, and representatives from local governments. Logistical arrangements, including scheduling, venue setup, and transportation for monitoring, will be managed by the PPSU. After the interaction and monitoring, the PPSU will document findings and recommendations to improve ongoing and future development programs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Visit\_Monitroring, 1600

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.634)

**Activity:** Coordination meeting with development partner organizations

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to organize coordination meetings with development partner organizations operating within Lumbini Province. The purpose of these meetings is to enhance collaboration, align development initiatives, avoid duplication, and leverage resources for more effective program implementation. By fostering a shared understanding of development priorities, these meetings will contribute to a more strategic and coordinated approach to provincial development.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will lead the coordination meetings, inviting key representatives from various development partner organizations. The PPSU will handle logistics, including scheduling, venue arrangement, and the preparation of discussion materials. Following the meetings, the PPSU will compile key outcomes and action points to facilitate ongoing coordination and partnerships with development partners.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Meeting, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.637)

<u>Activity</u>: Notice publication, feasibility study, technical evaluation, orientation, and workshop related to the Innovation Partnership Program

# **To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on implementing key components of the Innovation Partnership Program, which includes notice publication, feasibility studies, technical evaluations, and capacity-building workshops. The goal is to encourage innovative projects at the provincial and local levels, ensuring they align with the development priorities of Lumbini Province. By conducting feasibility studies and technical evaluations, the program will identify viable projects, while orientation and workshops will build the necessary skills and knowledge among stakeholders for effective implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU- Lumbini will coordinate this activity, starting with the publication of notices inviting proposals for the Innovation Partnership Program. PPSU will then facilitate feasibility studies and technical evaluations through hired experts to assess the potential of proposed projects. Following this, the PPSU will organize orientation sessions and workshops for stakeholders, ensuring smooth implementation and fostering innovation in the province.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

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Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 5.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.642)

**Activity:** Innovation Partnership Program

To be implemented by: Lumbini-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Innovative partnership fund mobilization in LGs in the first phase of PLGSP has deivered appreciable results. This FY Lumbini Provincial Government has planned to conduct different schems of the IPF in collaboration with different LGs which is based on competative selection process. For the competetive selection, the IPF selection and implementation guidelines have prepared and ready to implement.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the programm in collaboration with PLGSP

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, IPF Projects, 70000

#### **5.11.** Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Lumbini

Outcome 3: Local governments have capacity for Good Governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.630)

<u>Activity</u>: Three-day capacity building training on performance management for officer-level employees working in the Provincial Good Governance Center and Provincial Ministries

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PG and PCGG staff's individual capacity development is important to provide quality service delivery. For the capacity development of the staff of PCGG/PG. PCGG is going to conduct a single event on performance management. This training is conducted with close coordination of staff collage NASC.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG Lumbini will be conducted capacity development training for PG and PCGG staff. The training was conducted with close coordination to staff collage. The certified trainers of the staff college facilitate the training. The duration of the training is 3 days and at least 30 participants benefited from this training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Training-Staff, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.632)

Activity: Coordination meeting with stakeholders related to capacity development within the province

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Regular meeting, exposure and interaction are common and powerful tools for transparency and accountability which also help to increase trust of the stakeholders to the PCGG s if applied effectively and in a timely manner. The tools will help promote people's participation and ownership in the activities initiated by the PCGG. So the PCGG will held an interaction programme with stakeholders.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs will organize one day interaction with its stakeholders and responses the questions raised by the stakeholders in PCGG training hall.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 100

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.664)

<u>Activity</u>: Training on public procurement for employees of district-based sectoral offices of the provincial government (EGP)

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PCGG has planned to conduct two event on Public procurement and e-bidding for provincial district level staff. The training will support the provincial staffs to enhance their knowledge in the different types of public procurement including work, services and the process and also in the bidding process, and the overall process of e-bidding including the evaluation and selection procedures

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in coordination with responsible provincial ministry through OCMCM, will prepare a list of participants of the training. As much as possible, PCGG will coordinate PPMO for availability of resource persons to facilitate the training. If not possible, PCGG will hire highly experienced resource persons as per recommendation of PPMO and conduct the training at cluster level.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Training-Staff, 1400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.665)

Activity: Service entry training for newly appointed employees of the provincial government

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Pre-service training for newly appointed Provincial officials is important to enhance their capacity. Without the basic necessary knowledge, skills, and behaviors are highly required for effective performance upon their deployment. Through this induction/pre-service training, the participants (newly appointed staff) will obtain basic knowledge and information on different thematic areas that will help them to take up their roles as per their mandate once they join the office.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Provincial civil service commission of Lumbini province is going to publish the Provincial vacancies results soon. After that the newly appointed staff will be selected based on criteria and their request/need to join the pre-service training. The groups of participants will be arranged to organize the training. A standard course designed by MoFAGA will be used for the training. The training will be organized on a cluster basis in different places. Quality facilitators will be used to facilitate the training. The PCGG Lumbini organize the four events of pre-service training and 120 newly appointed Provincial staffs will be received the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Pre Service\_PG, 2800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.667)

Activity: In-service training for provincial government employees

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

Narratives: The personal growth of provincial staff is simultaneously important as provincial institutional growth. The in-service training motivates the staff to uplift their career. The need for inservice training for provincial officials is important and required for their efficiency as well as to support their career development. In-service training for the government staff is equally important for providing effective and quality service delivery to the citizens. There is an existing 35 days standard in-service course approved by the Lumbini provincial government which gives the authority to PCCG to conduct the training. The demand for in-service training is increasing day by day. The participants of this training will be of various levels of government officials working at the Province Level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement:</u> The participants will be selected based on criteria and their request to take in-service training. The groups of participants will be arranged to make uniform participants (level/joining date/location of offices etc.). A standard course will be prepared/customized. The training will be organized in PCGG training halls. Quality resource persons from different offices and quality freelancers use to facilitate the training. A total of two events of the training is planned and at least 60 participants will be received the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_In Service\_PG, 2400

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.668)

Activity: Law-making training for members of the legislative committees of the provincial assembly

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Legistrative process for parliamentarians should strengthen their understanding on law making process and equip them with the required skills to apply the knowledge on their role and responsibility. Lumbini thus planned to parliamentarians of Lumbini Province on Law making procedure.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs in consultation with the OCMCM and related stakeholders will implement the activity. The PCGGs in coordination OCMCM will organize the trainings. The training content on specially focused on provincial law making procedure and policy.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-ER, 600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.669)

Activity: Information technology training for provincial government employees

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PCGG has planned to conduct one event on information, communication and Technology related training for provincial IT officer at province level. The training will support IT officer to enhance their knowledge on ICT related issues and to implement e-Governance master plan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will conduct one event in province level and the PCGGs will recruit consultants or resource persons and mobilize them to facilitate the training will be both theoretical and practical based(site visits).

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.635)

Activity: Curriculum development for in-service training for officer-level employees of the sixth tier

## To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The curriculum is broadly considered as a program of an institution that covers the entire experience of the learner through the capacity development plan. The curriculum covers what and why to teach, how and when to teach. Thus the curriculum should be considered the most important aspect of the life cycle of a PCGG as the actions and reactions aimed towards achieving the objectives set by the curriculum. The curriculum development for a capacity-building training Programme for inservice training officer level 6th. In this way, the curriculum itself forms the basis for the formulation and implementation of the training programs of PCGG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The curriculum development for a capacity-building training program for government officials on a demand base inservice training for officer level 6th. Its provides a guideline for the implementation of the plan. This year one curriculum will be prepared for a capacity-building training Programme for officer level staffs. The required technical inputs will be supported by Nepal Administrative Staffs College NASC.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_Training Modules, 500

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.638)

Activity: Publishing the annual progress report of the Provincial Good Governance Center

## To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PCGG has been established to strengthen institutional and individual capacity of the provincial governments and local governments to deliver their service to the right holders. The PCGG should make public its activities through means of communications. The PCGG plans to develop and publish annual report.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will prepare annual progress report along with IEC material and publish.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Publication\_Knowledge Products, 300

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.6.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.640)

<u>Activity</u>: Preparation of economic and administrative procedures of the Provincial Good Governance Center

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: When Provincial government approve the PCGG act, financial administration regulation provided pathway to attain goal and objective in an organization by using the resources in efficient manner and support to establish the internal control system with in the organization. This activity is planned to prepare financial administration regulation of PCGG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG consultation with OCMCM and executive board of organization will develop the financial and administration regulation by hiring one expert and PCGG ensured the regular consultation with OCMCM, ministry of fincace and other stakeholder. The regulation will be finally presented in technical committee for review and approval process.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Guideline, 200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.645)

<u>Activity</u>: Implementation training based on the analysis of the revenue improvement action plan for members of the Revenue Consultation Committee and revenue branch employees of local levels

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The local governments are authorized to collect land revenue, property registration fee, vehicle tax, entertainment tax, advertisement tax, property tax, rent tax and business taxes. In order to explore the potential sources of revenue of LGs, 76, out of 109, will have their RIAP by the end of this fiscal year 2022-23 in support of PCGG under PLGSP. Further, PCGG has planned to conduct training to the Revenue Advisory Committee members to analyze their RIAP, its significance and their role for its effective implementation at local level. At the end of the session the LGs will have a plan of action for implantation of their RIAP.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will prepare a list of participants from the LGs who have RIAP. PCGG, in close coordination with the LGs, conduct training in participation of LG's elected representatives and staffs. PCGG will hire a qualified resource person to facilitate the training as a residential basis.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 3600

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.646)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on self/assessment based on the online system for chief administrative officers, employees, and representatives of local levels

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

Narratives: The Local Government Institutional Self- Assessment (LISA) is a tool to identify institutional strength and weakness of LGs in ten thematic areas and assess the status of the LGs. Similarly, Fiduciary Risk Assessment (FRA) is also a tool to assess fiduciary risk and prepare fiduciary risk reduction action plan. Online portal for the both assessment tools have been developed by MoFAGA where LGs conduct self-assessment/assessment on the basis of given indicators, which is further assessed by respective district coordination committees (DCCs). This is a regular activity but Chief Administrative Officer of LGs frequently change and need to be orientation. However, this requires continued knowledge enhancement support to LGs to effectively implement the tools based on the preset indicators to assess their strength and weakness. It is, therefore, planned to follow up the progress of implementation of LISA and FRA in LGs by providing technical backstopping through the trained facilitators. The Chief Administrative Officer and concern staffs of LGs will be provided with refresher training on both LISA and FRA to enable them for their continued effort in implementation of the both assessment tools.

#### **Implementation Arrangement:**

The PCGG has had organized capacity development training to the LG, resource persons and DCC to conduct LISA assessment. The PCGG will organize a review and orientation workshop with LGs Chief Administrative Officer to review and feed back on LISA assessment in a residential basis. The LGs will conduct assessment and DCC will approve the result of the assessment as per LISA Guideline.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event Orientation ER Staff, 2400

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.648)

<u>Activity</u>: Training of trainers for local level employees to implement the internal control system systematically based on demand

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2074, LGs are required to establish and manage ICS. The ICS will help LGs to follow the rules and regulations in carrying out day-to-day activities. The ICS is yet to be established in most of the LGs. Hence, PLGSP plans to support LGs for development of the Internal Control System of their LGs and implement it in LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGGs will carry out mapping to identify the LGs who have not yet prepared ICS. The mapping will help to avoid overlapping. Selected LGs will be oriented in coordination with PTCO. This will be conducted through hiring consulting service according to Procurement rules. The orientation will be based on ICS guidelines published by FCGO.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event TOT-Staff, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.649)

<u>Activity</u>: Assistance in the preparation of Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for local levels that receive minimum scores in LISA and FRA indexes and have not yet developed MTEF

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The proper planning, budgeting and monitoring system need to be established and strengthened in local government. The Local government operational act 2074 clause 34 requires the sectoral medium-term expenditure framework and development plans in the local governments. While preparing the public expenditure statement it is also mandatory for them to prepare the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) of three years. However, the local governments are not fully able to formulate such frameworks and plans on its basic principles, objectives and process. PCGG conducted orientation for the officials in the last fiscal years. However, some LGs are not able to prepare MTEF dociument. It is thus planned to prepare MTEF in 10 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGGs will carry out mapping to identify the LGs who have not yet prepared MTEF. The mapping will help to avoid overlapping. This will be conducted through hiring consulting service according to Procurement rules. The orientation will be based on MTEF guidelines published by planning commission. Finally hiring consultant prepare document and facilitate get approval from assembly

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Document\_MTEF, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.671)

Activity: Training on public procurement and EGP for local level employees

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: PCGG, in coordination with LGs, conducted a TNA with LGs to identify areas of capacity development to include in P-ASIP. In this way, procurement including e-bidding has been largely demanded by the LGs to make their procurement related activities safe and effective. Since various reports have showed week financial management and increasing volume of Airer in LGs in Lumbinin province and planned to conduct three events of training on Procurement and e-bidding for procurement unit staffs of LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of participants of the training. As much as possible, PCGG will coordinate PPMO for availability of resource persons to facilitate the training. If not possible, PCGG will hire highly experienced resource persons as per recommendation of PPMO and conduct the training at cluster level

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.670)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation training on policy, planning, and law formulation for mayors/deputy mayors/chairpersons/vice-chairpersons of local levels

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Working with LGs, PCGG has witnessed most of the mayor/deputy mayor faced the problem to make appropriate policy guidelines and plan due to the unsufficent knowledge of legal and constitutional provision in Lumbini Province. Considering the situation, PCGG has planned to conduct training on policy, guidelines and legislation process for LG's Chief and deputies with the aim to make proper utilization their authorities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will hire highly experienced resource persons and conduct the training. Since both Chief and deputies usually remain quite busy, PCGG will fix the date and venue in close coordination with the concerned LGs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event Orientation-ER, 3000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.666)

Activity: Capacity building training on information technology for local level employees

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The Government of Nepal has been incorporating the use of GIS to prepare resource inventory of country in digital form. At the same time, MoFAGA is developing LGs' website in a new format. After finalization of design, the ITOs will have to work on their LGs' website to make it accordingly. In such way, the IT officers at LG level require upgrading of skill in GIS and new format of LGs' website. Hence, training on GIS and website management is planned for IT officers and others LGs staffs working in all 109 LGs of Lumbini province

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will carry out a Training need assessment among the IT officers in all 12 district and develop a detailed concept note based on the identified topics. Highly experienced resource persons will be hired through outsourcing to conduct the proposed training. The training will be conducted at cluster level

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.663)

**Activity:** Service entry training for newly appointed employees of local levels

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of staff are going to be recruited by the LGs through the provincial Public Service Commission exam. Service Entry Training is an initial training for the civil servants to enhance their basic knowledge, skill and capacity for delivering the services effectively at their duty stations. Thus, PCGG has planned to conduct the five events of the training to the LGs' staffs. The persons recommended by provincial Public Service Commission for recruitment in different LGs will be the participants of the service entry training.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG, in close coordination with OCMCM and Provincial Public Service Commission, has already designed and approved training curriculum on Primary Administrative Training (Service entry training) for the newly recruited staff. Moreover, PCCG has already prepared a pool of highly experienced resource persons and they will be mobilized to conduct session as per their subject areas. In addition to that, PCGG will also coordinate with the provincial ministries to mobilize the secretaries, undersecretaries for facilitation of sessions related to those ministries. Certificate will be provided to the participants upon completion of the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Pre Service\_LG, 3500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.660)

**Activity:** In-service training for local level employees

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

Narratives: The personal growth of LGs staff is simultaneously important as LGs institutional growth. The in-service training motivates the staff to uplift their career. The need for in-service training for LG officials is important and required for their efficiency as well as to support their career development. In-service training for the government staff is equally important for providing effective and quality service delivery to the citizens. There is an existing 35 days standard in-service course approved by the Lumbini provincial government which gives the authority to PCCG to conduct the training. The demand for in-service training is increasing day by day. The participants of this training will be of various levels of government officials working at the local level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The participants will be selected based on criteria and their request to take in-service training. The groups of participants will be arranged to make uniform participants (level/joining date/location of offices etc.). A standard course will be prepared/customized. The training will be organized in PCGG training halls. Quality resource persons from different offices and quality freelancers use to facilitate the training. A total of two event of the training is planned and at least 60 participants will be received the training.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_In Service\_LG, 2400

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.658)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity building training on monitoring, supervision, roles, and responsibilities for elected representatives of the District Coordination Committee

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The proper planning, budgeting and monitoring system need to be established and strengthened in local government. Constitution and the Local government operational act fully provided authority with District Development Coordination Committee for the monitoring and supervision but due to the inaducate knowlege and training DCC does his role, thus PCGG planed first time this activity for the DCC members and official.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with DCC, will prepare a list of participant and hire qualified trainer/ resource person to facilitate the training in an effective manner.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-ER, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.653)

<u>Activity</u>: Training on decision implementation and decision writing for employees working in the judicial committee secretariat of local levels and expert support to the network

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Last fiscal year PCGG conducted one event this training during the evaluation participants are highly appriciated and need to all LGs. This year the PCGG planned to conduct the two events of the practical base training for judicial secretariat staffs rto use the different formats.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PCGG will hire highly experienced resource persons and conduct the training in cluster basis.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Support\_Expert Mobilization, 1200

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.7.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.651)

<u>Activity</u>: Training on results-based monitoring and evaluation for coordinators, officials, and employees of local level monitoring committees

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Proper planning, budgeting and monitoring systems need to be established and strengthened in LGs. However, many of LGs concern representatives and staffs are not fully able to formulate such frameworks, plans and monitoring on its basic principles, objectives and processes. The LGs representatives and officials need basic orientations/trainings to enhance capacity in this area. PCGG thus plans to orient elected representatives and officials of LG Staff on Result Base monitoring system.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs in consultation with the PCU with related stakeholders will implement the activity. The PCGGs also coordination with OCMCM will organize trainings on Result Base Monitoring evaluation to LG staff. This will be one event and maximum 30 participants will attend the trainings from LGs level.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.653)

<u>Activity</u>: Conducting trainer training and preparing resource persons for the institutional development of public hearings at the local level

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the Constitution, LGs have increased responsibility for effective service delivery and accountability toward its citizens. Social accountability tools like Social Audits, public audits and public hearings are common and powerful tools for transparency and accountability which also help to increase trust of the citizens towards LGs if applied effectively and in a timely manner. The tools will help promote people's participation and ownership in local development activities initiated by the government. Some LGs will be conduct public hearing in their LGs as per the guideline and process provided by the PCGG.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs will organize a ToT to those LGs who are interested to conduct peublic hearing in their LGs on the support of the PCGG. The PCGG will also provide financial support those selected LGs to conduct public hearing.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_TOT-Staff, 500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.657)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation support program on gender-responsive budgeting at the local level for members of the local executive and branch chiefs

#### To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The constitution guarantees social justice and affirmative action for women, Dalits, Janajati, Muslims, and other excluded or disadvantaged groups. PLGSP supported formulating the GESI Strategy and conducting the GESI Audit and GRB in all LGs of Lumbini Province. Similarly facilitated to appoint GESI focal person and formed a GESI committee in all LG. This activity aims to enhance the capacity of the GESI committee to implement the Gender responsibe budget guideline in selected 20 LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with PCU GESI specialist and LG, will develop the orientation content and organize the program. It will be helpful to institutionalize and fully implement of Gender Responsibe Budget guideline.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

20, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.659)

<u>Activity</u>: Collaborating with local levels and coordinating with the Provincial Ministry of Women for the declaration of child-friendly local levels

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The constitution guarantees social justice and affirmative action for the child rights. Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Admistration (MoFAGA) circular the draft CFLG guidelines and all LGs endorse from the assembly. During this year PCGG planned this activity for as others in demonstration.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with responsible provincial ministry and UNICEF field office before implementation this activities. This coordination meeting will be helpful for the implementation modality and prepare the guideline. as per the guideline PCGG introduce this activities.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Institutions\_LG, 1200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.661)

<u>Activity</u>: Study on the implementation status of GESI strategy and GESI assessment report prepared by local levels with the support of the Provincial Good Governance Center

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: All LGs of Lumbinin province prepared and/or adapt GESI mainstreaming strategy and regularly conducted GESI audit. The constitution has assured social justice and affirmative action for women, Dalit, Janajati, Muslims, and other excluded or disadvantaged groups. The aim of this activity is to support LGs to formulate strategy for mainstreaming GESI in policy, program, plan, and system of LGs as envisioned by the constitution. MoFAGA has provided a model GESI strategy and audit guideline to LGs. The PCGG planned this activities to analyze the implementation status.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs in consultation with the provincial responsible ministry before preparation TOR and hiring consulting service in a participatory approach. The PCGGs will select the independent consultant as per procurement process and conduct the impact study.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.675)

**Activity:** Transformative leadership training for Dalit women members of the executive

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A number of women especially from marginalized communities coming into power currently augurs well for gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) but, the road to women's substantive participation in leadership and decision-making roles is littered with manifold challenges. Due to the mindset of elected representatives, it is challenging to influence them for policy-making in perspective of GESI. It is thus planned to train women representative on transformative leadership approach so that they can take initiation for GESI responsive planning during the local planning process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of women representatives and bring them to participate in the Transformative Leadership training. The PCGG will hire qualified trainer/ resource person to facilitate the training in an effective manner.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Training-ER, 2400

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.643)

<u>Activity</u>: Analyzing the implementation status of periodic plans made by local levels with the coordination of the Provincial Planning Commission, and capacity development and revenue improvement action plans in coordination with the Ministry of Economic Affairs

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2074, LGs are required to prepare periodic plans, capacity development plan and revenue improvement action plan in line with localizing the SDGs. Some LGs have already prepared these plans since four years and some LGs are yet to prepare their respective plans. Hence, PLGSP plans to conduct the impact of mentioned plan before support the remaining LGs to prepare plans in 2023/24.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGGs in consultation with the provincial ministry of finance before preparation TOR and hiring consulting service in a participatory approach. The PCGGs will select the independent consultant as per procurement process and conduct the impact study.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.9.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.652)

<u>Activity</u>: Assistance in creating a revenue improvement action plan for local levels in coordination with the Ministry of Economic Affairs

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The Constitution has authorized LGs to collect land revenue, property registration fee, vehicle tax, entertainment tax, advertisement tax, property tax, rent tax and business taxes. In order to explore the potential of increasing own source revenue of LGs it is necessary to prepare RIAPs by analyzing current status of own source revenue against revenue potential and revenue mobilization capacity of local governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG will develop the criteria for the LG selection and formulate RIAPs of selected LGs as a close coordination with provincial ministry of finance. The PCGG will sign a MoU with selected LGs to implement this activity. The PCGG will organize a orientation for LGs. The LGs will select and recruit consultants as per the Terms of Reference provided by the PCGG and rules and regulation of GoN of Nepal to purchase consultancy services for preparing the RIAP. A participatory approach will be adopted and workshops will be organized to discuss and finalize RIAPs. The PCGGs will provided required budget to prepare RIAPs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Document\_RIAP, 5000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 5.2.9.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.28.655)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on common issues between the heads of the provincial and local governments (CM Mayors Dialogue Forum)

# To be implemented by: Lumbini-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the Programme Document, it is expected that LGs will work on vertical cooperation and agreements with PGs in the areas of local economic growth, poverty alleviation, SDG Localization, etc. This activity is planned to bring LGs and PGs together to orient them on the concept of vertical cooperation, and explore common priorities for vertical cooperation and agreement in the sector mentioned above. Under this activity, Lumbini Province have planned to organize workshops among the key stakeholders to discuss the scope.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG, in close coordination with the OCMCM, will organize the workshops and implement the activities. The PCGGs will hire highly professional consultants having experience in moderation of high level strategic workshops. A participatory and exploratory approach will be adopted in the workshops, such as plenary sessions, group discussions, visioning, mapping, etc. to come up with some common areas to work through vertical cooperation.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 500

# **5.12.** Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Karnali

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1507)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to formulate/review law of Provincial and Local government( Laws , regulation, policy and strategy , guideline .etc )

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Karnali Province aims to address gaps in its legislative framework by formulating new laws and revising existing ones to strengthen the provincial government's legislative system. The focus will be on creating essential laws based on provincial needs and reviewing current legislation for better implementation. This effort, led by PPIU-Karnali and aligned with the Provincial and Local Governance Support Program (PLGSP), will involve consultation with provincial ministries and directorates. The initiative aims to improve the effectiveness of laws, address gaps in areas of concurrent and exclusive provincial rights, and support federalism by aligning legislative actions with provincial priorities.

Implementation Arrangement: Karnali Province, through a series of consultations, has identified essential laws and guidelines related to concurrent and exclusive provincial powers. The Ministry of Internal Affairs & Law (MoIAL) and the law section of OCMCM have recorded an inventory of these laws and guidelines, with eight provincial laws/guidelines to be revised or formulated. A consultant will be hired to carry out these revisions, conducting consultative meetings with stakeholders to address their needs. The consultant will prepare a draft incorporating feedback from both formal and informal meetings. The draft will be reviewed by a revision committee under OCMCM, and after incorporating all inputs, the final draft will be submitted to concerned ministries for forwarding to the provincial assembly.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

8, Document\_formulated\_Law, 1600

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1509)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct orientation on post parliamentary scrutiny, mock parliyament and law making for Provincial Assembly Members

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PPSU will conduct the program in coordination with the Provincial Assembly, ensuring respect for parliamentarians and adherence to ethical codes. The program will include post-parliamentary scrutiny, mock parliamentary processes, and law-making procedures for Provincial Assembly Members. A coordination meeting will be held with Provincial Assembly Members and the Provincial Secretary for effective planning and implementation of the orientation program. A total of 40 inclusive assembly members will directly benefit from the orientation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU will coordinate with the Provincial Assembly and Provincial Secretary to ensure the smooth implementation of the program. A coordination meeting will be held with Provincial Assembly Members and the Provincial Secretary to plan the orientation program effectively. The program will cover post-parliamentary scrutiny, mock parliamentary processes, and law-making procedures, tailored to the needs of Provincial Assembly Members. Relevant experts and trainers will be hired by OCMCM as per procurement act. A total of 40 inclusive assembly members will participate in the program.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Orientation-ER, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1510)

**Activity:** Orientation on provincial laws wokrshop at provincial level

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The "Orientation on Provincial Laws" workshop aims to enhance the understanding of provincial laws among Provincial Assembly Members, government officials, and other stakeholders. It will provide an overview of the provincial legislative framework, interactive sessions on the law-making process, and workgroup discussions to identify gaps in existing laws. The workshop will also include Q&A sessions to address concerns and foster dialogue between stakeholders and legal experts. Expected outcomes include strengthened capacity for law-making, identification of legislative gaps, and improved coordination among stakeholders. The workshop will be organized by PPSU in coordination with relevant provincial bodies and target diverse participants for inclusivity.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU organized a coordination meeting with the Provincial Assembly about the orientation program. PPSU will hire a consultant following government procurement rules. After that, the orientation program will be organized, and a report will be prepared. The content of the program will be discussed with the trainer and the target group.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event Orientation-ER, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1516)

**Activity:** Strengthen capacity building on provincial planning process to provincial authorities and stakeholders

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: PPSU will work closely with OCMCM to strengthen the capacity of provincial authorities and stakeholders in the provincial planning process. This is essential for ensuring that the planning process is effective. Key departments, such as the planning section, budget section, and other related sectors, will participate in a two-day capacity building program focused on improving their understanding and skills in the planning process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead this event in coordination with the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Planning, as well as the Planning Commission. An expert will be hired following government regulations, and the training content will be discussed with the trainer and relevant stakeholders beforehand. Once everything is finalized, the event will be conducted to ensure effective training.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1534)

**Activity:** Organize workshop on fudiciary risk reduction action plan (FRRAP) to PG officials

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In Karnali Province, audit arrears are increasing steadily. To minimize fiduciary risk, OCMCM/PPSU will organize a workshop on the Fiduciary Risk Reduction Action Plan (FRRAP) for provincial government officials. FRA focal persons, along with staff from the accounts and planning sections, will participate in th

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: A two-day workshop will be organized by OCMCM, which will lead the event. A facilitator will be hired by OCMCM in accordance with the government's procurement process. The FRRAP action plan will be developed for each ministry, and OCMCM will monitor its implementation.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1541)

<u>Activity</u>: Mentors mobilization in ministries of province government for facilitation on settlement of audit arrear

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Audit Arrears Management Information System has been developed and is currently in operation to manage audit arrears at the provincial level. Effectively managing audit arrears is crucial for the province. This system has been established to function efficiently at the provincial level and is designed to help manage and reduce audit arrears at the province and local level, which has become an emerging issue raised by the Provincial Government.

To minimize audit arrears, PPSU will mobilize mentors to provide daily support to provincial offices, assist in reviewing issues, and offer backstopping to effectively address and reduce audit arrears.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: In accordance with procurement rules and regulations, PPSU will mobilize mentors to assist in resolving audit arrears for provincial governments. A minimum of two mentors will be assigned to each ministry and its offices, with clear Terms of Reference (TOR) established for their roles and responsibilities.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Support\_Technical, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1542)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on public procurement management/e-GP system for employees of districts and directorate level of province government

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The OCMCM/PPSU will organize an orientation program on public procurement management and the e-GP system. This training is intended for Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs), as well as staff from the planning, procurement, and accounting sections at the provincial office, district, and directorate levels. The program will be conducted over two days and will be structured into three cluster levels. The content of the training will be finalized in collaboration with the trainer hired by OCMCM.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The OCMCM/PPSU will lead this event. A consultant will be hired in accordance with government regulations. The Terms of Reference (TOR) will be approved, and the event will be organized at the cluster level.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1738)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development on internal audit, internal control system, of employees of ministry, directorate and district level of PG

#### To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The OCMCM/PPSU will organize a two-day capacity development program on internal audit and internal control systems for employees at the ministry, directorate, and district levels of PG. Three events will be planned. Participants and trainers will be finalized by OCMCM. The events will be conducted at the provincial

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The OCMCM/PPSU will organize a two-day capacity development program on internal audit and internal control systems for employees at the ministry, directorate, and district levels of PG, in accordance with the relevant procurement act and regulations. Three events will be planned. Participants and trainers will be finalized by OCMCM, ensuring compliance with procurement standards. The events will be conducted at the provincial level.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training-Staff, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1739)

<u>Activity</u>: Workshop on PAMS/CGAS/ AAMIS /PFRA .etc of PFM system, to employees of province level

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: A workshop will be conducted for provincial-level employees focusing on the Public Financial Management (PFM) system, covering key topics such as PAMS (Public Accounting Management System), CGAS (Central Government Accounting System), AAMIS (Automated Asset Management Information System), and PFRA (Public Financial Risk Assessment). The session aims to enhance participants' understanding and skills related to these systems to improve financial management and accountability at the provincial level. Three events will be organized at provincial leve

Implementation Arrangement: The objective of the workshops is to enhance the understanding of the Public Financial Management (PFM) system among provincial-level employees, focusing on key areas such as PAMS, CGAS, AAMIS, and PFRA. Each workshop will span two days and will involve participants from relevant ministries, with three workshops scheduled across different provinces. The procurement process will begin with the selection of qualified trainers who have expertise in PFM systems. A Terms of Reference (TOR) will be prepared to outline the trainers' responsibilities, and all procurement activities will adhere to government regulations. Additionally, content development will involve collaboration with the trainers to create relevant workshop materials, including modules on the PFM systems and practical exercises that align with the participants' needs. Logistics will entail scheduling the workshops at provincial locations and arranging the necessary materials and facilities. To ensure effective learning, monitoring and evaluation criteria will be established to assess participant engagement and knowledge retention, with feedback collected post-workshop to inform future improvements. A summary report will be prepared to document the outcomes, including attendance and feedback.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop-Staff, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1692)

<u>Activity</u>: Support to public account committe, Audit arrear settlement committee and Internal control committe of province for enactiveness

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To enhance governance and accountability within the province, the Office of the Chief Minister and Provincial Management Unit (OCMCM/PPSU) will provide comprehensive support to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), Audit Arrear Settlement Committee, and Internal Control Committee, in coordination with the provincial assembly. The PAC will receive assistance in facilitating regular meetings, training on audit processes and financial management, and resources to analyze financial reports effectively.

The Audit Arrear Settlement Committee will be supported in developing a structured framework for prioritizing and resolving outstanding audit issues, including workshops on best practices and communication strategies with stakeholders. The Internal Control Committee will benefit from evaluations of existing internal control systems, training on risk assessment, and recommendations for improvement.

Overall, this coordinated effort aims to strengthen these committees' capabilities, ensuring their effectiveness in enhancing financial governance, accountability, and transparency within the provincial administration.

Implementation Arrangement: The objective is to enhance governance and accountability in the province by supporting the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), Audit Arrear Settlement Committee, and Internal Control Committee. Support for the PAC will include facilitating regular meetings, providing training on audit processes, and supplying resources for effective financial report analysis. The Audit Arrear Settlement Committee will develop a structured framework for prioritizing and resolving audit issues, complemented by workshops on best practices and communication strategies. The Internal Control Committee will evaluate existing internal control systems and offer training on risk assessment methodologies. A Terms of Reference (TOR) will be established to define the responsibilities and expectations for each committee, guiding training and support. Collaboration between the Office of the Chief Minister and Provincial Management Unit (OCMCM/PPSU) and the provincial assembly will ensure alignment in these efforts. Ultimately, these initiatives aim to strengthen the committees' capabilities, enhancing financial governance, accountability, and transparency within the provincial administration.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1545)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program among CIAA, OAG and employees and representatives of LGs and PG, on issues of audit arrear, curruption and irregularities

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

Narratives: An interaction program will be organized by OCMCM / PPSU to foster dialogue and collaboration among the Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA), the Office of the Auditor General (OAG), and representatives of Local Governments (LGs) and Provincial Governments (PG). This initiative aims to tackle critical issues related to audit arrears, corruption, and irregularities that undermine effective governance and public trust. Participants will discuss the challenges they face concerning audit findings and the implementation of corrective actions. The agenda will feature presentations on recent audit reports, case studies of successful interventions, and workshops focused on enhancing accountability and transparency. Through this collaboration, the CIAA and OAG aim to strengthen partnerships with LGs and PGs, promoting a unified effort to combat corruption and improve financial oversight. By encouraging open communication and

Implementation Arrangement: The interaction program between the Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA), the Office of the Auditor General (OAG), and representatives of Local Governments (LGs) and Provincial Governments (PG) will be structured with a clear Terms of Reference (TOR) to define roles and expectations. The OCMCM) will create the TOR and coordinate the hiring of qualified consultants to ensure the program's successful implementation. A detailed budget will be planned to support the event, which will focus on addressing audit arrears, corruption, and irregularities in governance. Participants will engage in discussions to share insights and best practices for improving accountability. This collaborative effort aims to strengthen partnerships and foster a culture of integrity within public administration.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 350

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1550)

**Activity:** GESI audit of all PG ministries

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

Narratives: Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) is a critical component of sustainable development initiatives. The activity will support to ensure that Provincial Ministries are integrating GESI in their programs and policies. It is necessary to conduct regular audits. This activity will help to promote sustainable development by ensuring that Provincial Ministries integrate GESI in their programs and policies. The audit will identify gaps and areas for improvement, and the recommendations and technical support provided by PPIU will facilitate the integration of GESI. The outcome of this activity will ultimately contribute to more effective and sustainable development outcomes. The proposed activity aims to conduct a GESI audit for 8 Provincial Ministries. The objective is to assess the extent to which the provincial ministers integrate GESI policy and program , identify the gaps and areas for improvement on GESI integration issues.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU will be responsible to identify all Provincial Ministries that require auditing for GESI integration. To assess the extent of integration, identify gaps, and areas for improvement. The consultant will be hired to facilitate the GESI-audit event. A team of auditors will be trained by PPSU on how to use the GESI audit tool to conduct the audit for the designated Provincial Ministries. PPIU will collect and analyze the findings from the audit. The recommendations of the audit report will be provided to Provincial Ministries for GESI integration. The allocated budget for this project will cover the costs related to facilitation, reporting and documentation of GESI-audit.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

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Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1557)

<u>Activity</u>: Establishment and rollout of Government office automation and services delivered from Department of Information Technology at Province level

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: OCMCM will establish and roll out government office automation and services delivered in coordination with the Department of Information Technology at the provincial level to strengthen e governence and quality service delivery at province level.

**Implementation Arrangement:** OCMCM will lead and procure as per procurement act

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1558)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction workshop (2 days) of IT officers – 1 event (best practices about IT and egovernance, issues and challenges)

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: he Office of the Chief Minister (OCMCM/PPSU) will organize a two-day interaction workshop for IT officers at the local and provincial levels. The workshop will focus on best practices in IT and e-governance, as well as addressing issues and challenges related to these areas at the provincial level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead and procure as per procurement act

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1559)

Activity: IT training on Provincial Ministries Computer Officer, computer operator

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The OCMCM will organize training for Provincial Ministries' Computer Officers and computer operators on ICT and e-governance, along with other topics as per the demand of IT personnel. A three -day training session will be conducted at the provincial level, with OCMCM coordinating all necessary arrangements.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead the procurement of trainers in accordance with the procurement act and finalize the training module with the selected trainers.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1560)

**Activity:** Exposure vist for employess of PPIU

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with PPD/PPM, will explore the possible areas for the visit, and coordinate and communicate with PCU and destination PPSU/s. The PPSU will prepare a detailed concept of visit with agenda and schedule for the visit and share with the destination PPSU/s. The PPSU will prepare and share the report of after completing the visit.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with PPD/PPM, will identify potential areas for the visit and coordinate with PCU and the destination PPSU(s). PPSU will prepare a detailed visit concept, including the agenda and schedule, and share it with the destination PPSU(s). After the visit, PPSU will prepare and share a report. In accordance with the Procurement Acts and regulations, OCMCM will lead the event, finalizing the venue and participants.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.4.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1575)

**Activity:** Support on ICT for provincial ministries and directorates

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP, since the beginning, has been supporting the PG, especially the OCMCM, in development of IT based information management system.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM and PGs, will provide necessary technical support for all these assignments by the experts' service of the PPSU as well as outsourced professional support. Similarly, the PPSU will also seek the professional service from the consulting firm/individual as required by hiring them through a competitive procurement process

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1617)

<u>Activity</u>: Discussion on issue based duilogue on Fiscal fedralism, Revnue sharing, LED, Egovernance, Innovation, GESI mainstreaming, Local government performance based grant system of PG, Law making, civic engagement in planning process at LG etc with colla

# **To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU**

Narratives: PPSU will organize a meeting with OCMCM and other concerned stakeholders to identify topics for an issue-based dialogue, including fiscal federalism, revenue sharing, local economic development (LED), e-governance, innovation, gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) mainstreaming, the performance-based grant system of the provincial government, law-making, and civic engagement in the local government planning process. This dialogue will be conducted in collaboration with key organizations such as ADDCCN, NARMIN, and MuAN, bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders. The main objectives of this program are to create synergy among stakeholders and to understand the actual status of federalism implementation at the grassroots level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: PPSU will coordinate with OCMCM and stakeholders to schedule a meeting, finalizing the issues, venue, and participant list. Invitations will be sent to key stakeholders, including ADDCCN, NARMIN, MuAN, local officials, and community leaders, with attendance confirmed to ensure diverse participation. A consultant from a local government association will be hired to facilitate the event at both provincial and local levels, following procurement rules and regulations. A panel of experienced professionals in federalism will also be hired through consultancy.

The program will feature thematic sessions for in-depth discussions, including expert presentations and open dialogues. A note-taker will document discussions and recommendations, resulting in a summary report outlining insights and proposed actions. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled to review these recommendations and develop an action plan, ensuring ongoing communication with participants for collaboration. A suitable venue will be arranged, along with logistics for transportation and necessary materials.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Interaction, 1200

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1514)

**Activity:** Support to develop spatial plan for LGs

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: In close coordination with OCMCM, PPSU Karnali will support the development of a spatial plan for local governments (LGs). This comprehensive plan, including 18 deliverables, was approved by the cabinet. Based on this, PPSU will invite potential LGs to submit their interest. Collaborative LGs will then form partnerships for further implementation.

Implementation Arrangement: In coordination with OCMCM, PPSU will develop a Terms of Reference (TOR) and a concept note with a detailed cost breakdown. The budget will then be transferred to the selected LGs (using fiscal transfer or another model as decided by the provincial government). An MoU will be signed between the provincial government and the LGs. The local government will hire a consultancy, firm, or expert as per government regulations. They will then complete the spatial plan as per the MoU with OCMCM, resulting in the finalized plan.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Document\_Strategy Paper, 4000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1519)

**Activity:** Instutional capacity development of PCC on dispute settlemet

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

Narratives: According to the Federal, Provincial, and Local Government Coordination Act 2077, the role of the Provincial Coordination Council (PCC) is to resolve disputes between the provincial and local governments. The provincial government has only been organizing PCC meetings so far, highlighting the need to develop the institutional capacity of PCC members. Strengthening their understanding of constitutional rights is crucial for creating a better platform for supporting federalism and effective dispute resolution. Therefore, a capacity-building program will be organized by OCMCM, involving high-level experts to enhance the capabilities of PCC members.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will organize a two-day capacity-building event for Provincial Council members. A senior consultant with extensive experience in federalism will be hired according to the rules and regulations of the Procurement Act. PPSU will support the consultant hiring process and assist in completing the event in coordination with OCMCM.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_PG Agencies, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1520)

**Activity:** Provincial Coordination Council meeting

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

Narratives: Organizing the Provincial Coordination Council at least once in a year is a legal (Clause 105 LGOA) provision. The inner spirit of this provision is to consult on the issues (dividend of resources, consultation on formulating law/act/guideline on exclusive powers, identifying strategic areas for mutual benefit, developing functional relationship & policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues if any) between provincial and local governments. Besides, this council meeting would tie up the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the provincial and local governments. Therefore, this proposed activity is essential to orient the PCC to attaining its inner objectives. This activity will support OCMCM to make the meeting effective in setting agendas and giving resolutions. This activity will further entail other sub activities prior and after the PCC meeting. In this connection, PPIU will support in strengthening the PCC Secretariat at OCMCM, in drafting PCC operational guidelines, implementing the decisions, finding out the common issues, strengthening sectoral committees in PG and as well as minute and disseminating the decisions to all concerned. PPIU will support to conduct 2 events of PCC meeting for the upcoming fiscal year.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The OCMCM /PPSU will identify the issues/agendas to be discussed in PCC together with the consultation of PCC members, LG, LG Associations and others that benefit all. In this connection, PPIU will develop a brief proposal along with a cost contribution scheme and expected outcomes for the implementation of PCC decisions for example joint working modalities between the PGs and LGs. Meeting minutes of the Provincial Coordination Council and Sectoral Committee will be widely disseminated to PCC members, LG and PG ministries.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 900

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1522)

**Activity:** Provincial Steering Committee (PSC)meeting

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

Narratives: The PLGSP Provincial steering Committee (PSC) meeting is an important platform for coordination and collaboration between various stakeholders involved in the PLGSP project. The PLGSP document has provisioned this meeting at least once a year, however PLGSP-Karnali has planned a quarterly basis PCC meeting for the fiscal 2023/24. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and address project-related issues, progress, challenges, and opportunities for improving the project outcomes. The proposed activity is crucial in ensuring that the PCC meeting is conducted effectively and efficiently to achieve the desired objectives. The objective of the activity is mentioned as facilitating effective coordination and collaboration among the PLGSP stakeholder.

Implementation Arrangement: PPIU will identify the issues and agendas to be discussed in the PSC meeting. PPIU will work closely with LGs and other stakeholders to ensure their active participation in the meeting. The meeting minutes of the PLGSP Provincial Co-Steering Committee will be documented and disseminated to all stakeholders. PPIU will also develop a brief report highlighting the key outcomes and decisions of the PSCmeeting. The PLGSP Provincial Co-ordination Committee will be convened thrice to discuss and address project-related issues in the FY 2024/25. The allocated budget for this activity will cover the costs associated with the venue, refreshments, transportation, and documentation of the meeting proceedings. It will also help in identifying and resolving any bottlenecks or obstacles in the implementation of the PLGSP program

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 900

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1526)

**Activity:** Workshop of best practices and learnings of LGs

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The OCMCM will organized two days Learning Sharing Workshop on best pratice on fedralism, ICT, LED etc for collaboration and knowledge exchange among local governments (LGs). OCMCM will invite LGs for participate and selected LG and coordinate as well to promote social accountability, strengthen intergovernmental relations (IGR), and share successful practices in local economic development.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead this event and do necessary arrangement of this event

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 2000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1546)

<u>Activity</u>: Coordination meeting with Province level ADCCN, NARMIN and MUAN members.

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: To strengthen federalism, it is essential to bring stakeholders together within a unified framework. Therefore, the Office of the Chief Minister (OCMCM/PPSU) will organize two meetings with members of (ADCCN), (NARMIN), (MUAN) at the provincial level. These coordination meetings will serve as vital opportunities for ADCCN, NARMIN, and MUAN members as well as provincial government to align their efforts, share knowledge, and work towards common goals in advancing fedralism issues .Through this collaborative approach, the meetings aim to enhance cooperation among stakeholders and promote the effective implementation of federalism. OCMCM will lead and finalized agenda for this meeting

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM / PPSU wiil lead and organized this meeting as per program document of PLGSP

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 700

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1553)

<u>Activity</u>: prepare procedures for innovative projects at the province level and establish innovative project bank for investment demonstration

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Office of the Chief Minister(OCMCM) will lead an initiative to establish comprehensive procedures for innovative projects, at provincial level as per need of the project , streamlining their identification, evaluation, and implementation. Stakeholder consultations will gather insights on local needs, guiding the development of standardized project selection criteria and funding mechanisms. OCMCM will also create an Innovative Project Bank to connect potential investors private sector , local governemnt etc . This initiative aims to foster collaboration among stakeholders, drive economic growth, and enhance sustainable investment opportunities.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will adopt both modalities: hiring consultants and implementing a comitee module

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

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Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1554)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development of LGs with collaboration of MUAAN, NARMIN, ADCCN and related stakeholders for innovative project proposal foundulation and IPF Orientation

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The (OCMCM) will facilitate capacity development for Local Governments (LGs) in collaboration with MUAN, NARMIN, ADCCN, and other relevant stakeholders. This initiative will focus on enhancing the skills of LG staff in innovative project proposal formulation and providing orientation on the Innovative Partnership project (IPF). Additionally, the program will disseminate information to Local Governments and potential partners to foster collaboration. This comprehensive approach aims to strengthen local capac

Implementation Arrangement: OCMCM will lead this event and coordinate as per need

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1555)

**Activity:** Implementation of IPF projects in LGs

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: As per the Innovative Fund guidelines, the Office of the Chief Minister and Provincial Management Unit (OCMCM) will facilitate the implementation of Innovative Partnership Framework (IPF) projects in the Local Governments (LGs) of Karnali Province, in accordance with the budget provisions. The selection and approval of these projects will be determined by the Project Steering Committee (PSC).

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM) will lead and coordinate with Local Governments (LGs) for project implementation in accordance with the Innovative Partnership Fund (IPF) guidelines.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1556)

Activity: IPF technical comittee meeting and Monitoring of IPF schemes

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: (OCMCM) will organize the IPF Technical Committee meeting and oversee the monitoring of IPF schemes in accordance with the approvedplan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will organozed meeting as per need and monitoring as per monitoring plan

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1576)

<u>Activity</u>: Interaction program on coordination in ICT & E-governance areas within three tires of governments

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: OCMCM will organize an interaction program on coordination in ICT and e-governance areas within the three tiers of government and will hire experts for panel discussion for this event in accordance with government procurement rules.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead this event in accordance with government rules and regulations, making all necessary arrangements and coordinating effectively.

Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.5.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1724)

**Activity:** Learning Sharing program of GESI focal persons

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: OCMCM will organize a learning-sharing program for GESI focal persons from other provinces to facilitate the rollout of GESI mainstreaming initiatives. All GESI focal persons and OCMCM staff will participate in this event.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: OCMCM will lead this event in accordance with government rules and regulations, making all necessary arrangements and coordinating effectively.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.1.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1666)

**Activity:** Training to ITOs on ICT based service delivery in LGs

To be implemented by: Karnali-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will plan capacity development training for ITOs of local governments as per their need and demand. KPTA will organize four training events at the municipality (palika) level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare concept notes and ToR to mobilize expert services to deliver training to ITOs of LGs as per need and demand. The KPTA will prepare a program plan, identify resource persons (firm or individual) from roster in CDMIS, and they will be recruited to conduct the training events.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

### **5.13.** Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Karnali

Outcome 3: Local governments have capacity for Good Governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1685)

**Activity:** Bridge course training for KPTA staff

To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA is envisaged to be the center of excellence with a strong presence in the field of capacity development right from its inception. KPTA staff is a must for delivering capacity development through the center effectively. Thus, various method of capacity development mentoring coaching, mobile expert mobilization, peer learning and community of practices on different thematic areas for the staff of KPTA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement:</u> - The KPTA, in close coordination with PPSU/OCMCM, will identify professional training facilitators and make contracts to deliver the beyond the training capacity development for KPTA staff.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1686)

**Activity:** Inter -province learning sharing exposure visit

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is planned to provide an opportunity to the KPTA staff/ officials for learning and sharing through exposure visits in other PLGSP implemented provinces so that they can meet and interact with each other and learn about best practices that can be adapted and rolled-out later in their context. In addition, the visit will enable KPTA staff/ officials to develop a horizontal linkage and coordination for promoting cross learning environments to perform better.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will explore possible provinces for the visit in consultation with KPTA/PPIU staff and concerned OCMCM officials. KPTA further communicates and coordinates with KPTA of the host province as the destination is identified. PCGG will prepare a detailed concept note with the clear objective of the learning through exchange of experiences and document the learning of the visit to share widely.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1688)

**Activity:** Quarterly review and coordination between stakeholders

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

Narratives: KPTA has been envisioned as a coordinating agency for all training providers in the public sector within the province to avoid duplication and overlap in the changed federal context. The KPTA will organize bimonthly co-ordination meetings with Development Partners providing training to the public sector. The meetings will create a platform to discuss their CD priorities and develop common understanding, prepare bimonthly review and action plan to make effective, efficient and ensure quality of services.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA will conduct a stakeholders mapping engaged in the capacity building areas at the PLG level. The KPTA will take the lead in organizing the coordination meetings inviting representatives from relevant PG's Commissions, Authorities, ministries, development agencies for their representative participation in the meetings. The meeting will be organized on a bimonthly basis.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Meeting, 240

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1650)

<u>Activity</u>: Impact evaluation review/ workshop of capacity develoment programme conducted by KPTA

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA has been conducting capacity development activities since 2077 to on-ward in the province and local elected representatives and personnel. Long-term and short-term training/orientation/workshop has been conducted based on the demands of P/LGs and some activities are supply based. But, KPTA does not have any legal documents of the capacity development activities' impact on the Province and Local level service delivery. However, it is very necessary to conduct an impact assessment of the CD activities for strengthening the KPTA self-capacity, working modality, proper planning and knowledge management.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will be hired third-party for impact assessment. Assessment will be conducted on a sample basis in the LGs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 1000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1651)

Activity: LISA and FRA implementation follow-up /training/Interaction and feedback

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Local Government Self-Assessment and Fiduciary Risk Assessment tools have been endorsed to LGs since 2077/78. Program has been backstopping LGs and DCCs to institutionalize these tools in the LGs. Entire LGs (79) of karnali Province have uploaded LISA results and LGs have 78 uploaded FRA results in the portal in fiscal year 2080/81. Although all LGs and DCCS are aware of the FRA and LISA tools, there are still some issues on the quality of the LISA and FRA report. Thus, this year's program is planning to conduct a workshop on LISA and FRA to identify, share the issue and make a common understanding among LGs on the indicators of the LISA & FRA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Workshop will be conducted to share the challenges to implement LISA and FRA in LGs. Elected representatives, LISA/FRA focal person, staff of DCC will be the participants. Based on the workshop finding, DCC will further assist LGs in the support of KPTA.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1652)

<u>Activity</u>: Support/follow-up/workshop with LGs representatives and staff to planning and implementation of MTEF at LG level.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Medium Term Expenditure Framework is the tool to interlink the periodic plan with the annual plan. MTEF ensures the resources for the future plan and program and it is mandatory for LGs to prepare their MTEF. Program has been supporting LGs by conducting MTEF orientation to staff and elected representatives. However, most of the LGs are not able to prepare their MTEF by themselves because preparing MTEF is very technical. In this regards, KPTA was already developed a tutorial video on MTEF preparation process. In 2081/82 KPTA is planning to organize a follow training/workshop for the LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Training/workshops will be organized in clusters. Experienced resource persons will be mobilized, and the training will be practical, focusing on relevant data from the LGs. Participants will draft plans for their respective LGs during the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1653)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Internal Control System(ICS) of LGs and facilitation support to prepare ICS guideline.

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct an interaction with elected representatives and staff of LGs on the internal control system in LGs. During the workshop framework of ICS will be developed and shared among the LGs for the consistency

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: -Elected representatives and staff of LGs will be participating in the workshop.

Sample framework of ICS will be shared among the participants.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 2100

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1654)

Activity: Capacity Development for GESI Focal Person through ToT and workshops.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To mainstream GESI in policy, program, and service delivery of LG, it is provisioned that all LGs shall have designated GESI Focal person. However, many LGs still haven't designated the GESI Focal person. Accordingly, all policies, programme and service delivery strategies should be both GESI sensitive and responsive in spirit as well as in practice thus facilitating and contributing to transformations in social norms and behavior. However, the GESI Focal person have limited capacity to influence the representatives for implementation of their GESI Strategy. Hence, KPTA has planned to organize workshops and ToT training on transformative approach in GESI mainstreaming.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: - The KPTA, in coordination with LGs, will prepare a list of GESI Focal persons for their participation in the training, workshops and ToT. KPTA will identify qualified resource persons and hire them to conduct the workshops, ToT training in a participatory manner.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1655)

**Activity:** Transformative and GESI mainstreaming training to LG representatives.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The Karnali Province Training Institute identifies the need for a leadership development training program for elected representatives at the local levels of Karnali Province. The main objective of this program is to develop the leadership of elected women and Dalit representatives at the local level and to enhance the leadership capacity of elected women and Dalit representatives at the local level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA, in coordination with LGs, program have been arranged to develop a comprehensive and refined understanding of GESI and leadership development for women and Dalit representatives at the local level. With the aim of promoting gender equality in leadership, a 3 days leadership development and GESI training program will be organized for elected women and Dalit representatives at the local levels.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Training-ER, 1000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1716)

**Activity:** Orientation on GRB audit of LGs

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

Narratives: Gender Response Budget (GRB) is about ensuring that the government budget, policies and programs address the needs and interests of men, women, and individuals that belong to different social groups. GRB makes sure that gender and social inclusion perspective is well integrated into all steps of planning and budget process so that local governments categorize and allocate their program budget to support and promote gender equality through acknowledging the need, priority and experiences of women and men. Thus, GRB training/orientation at local level is planned to build the capacity and understanding of Local government on GRB so that LGs ensure that the local level budget, policies and program address the need and interest of men, women and individual belong to different social group

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA will recruit consultants or the select local resource persons from the roster of KPTA to conduct orientation on GRB in selected LGs. The resource person will be mobilized to conduct training/orientation in GRB in designated LGs.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 2800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1656)

<u>Activity</u>: Induction training for newly appointed staff of province and local level(Assistant and Officer Level)

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The personal growth of PLGs staff is simultaneously important as PLGs institutional growth. The Induction training motivates the staff to sharpen their knowledge and uplift their personal career. Induction training for PLGs officials is important and it requires to boost-up efficiency as well as supporting their career development. Service entry training for the government staff is equally important for providing effective and quality service delivery to the citizens. There is an existing 15 days standard service entry course approved by the training council of KPTA. The demand for Induction training is increasing day by day. The participants of this training will be of various levels of government officials working at the PLGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The participants will be selected based on criteria and their request to take induction training. The groups of participants will be arranged to make uniform participants (level/joining date/location of offices etc.). A standard course was already prepared and customized. The training will be organized in KPTA training halls. Quality resource persons from different offices and qualified freelancers will use to facilitate the training.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1657)

<u>Activity</u>: In-Service training for newly appointed staff of province and local level(Assistant and Officer Level)

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The in-service training motivates the staff to uplift their career. The need for in-service training for PG officials is important and required for their efficiency as well as to support their career development. In-service training for the government staff is equally important for providing effective and quality service delivery to the citizens. There is an existing 30 working days standard in-service course approved by the KPTA training council which gives the authority to KPTA to conduct the training

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The participants will be selected based on criteria and their request to take in-service training. The groups of participants will be arranged to make uniform participants (level/joining date/location of offices etc.). A standard course was already prepared and customized. The training will be organized in KPTA training halls. Quality resource persons from different offices and qualified freelancers will use to facilitate the training.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1658)

**Activity:** Training on Law making process to representatives and officials of LGs.

# **To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA**

<u>Narratives</u>: The training for local representatives and employees to enhance their capacities and knowledge about the law making process and equip them to engage in effective legislation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA will be conducted this training at the local level in coordination and collaboration with local authorities.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Training-ER, 1000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1659)

**Activity:** Orientation on mediation and legal performance to Judicial committee members of LGs.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: To inform ward members about judicial literacy regarding provisions in the constitution and the Local Government Operations Act. and provide ward members with information on judicial literacy related to jurisdiction over justice, resolution of disputes through mediation, and other relevant topics as outlined in the constitution and laws.

To educate members about their role in the judicial process and the procedures of justice administration and to inform ward members about their responsibilities in the judicial process, including practices related to justice administration and relevant laws and regulations.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA will be conducted this training at the local level in coordination and collaboration with local authorities. The training will follow the curriculum, subject matter, teaching methods, and materials specified by the institute and will be based on the session plans, lasting for three days. The necessary resource persons for the training will be sourced from the Capacity Development Management Information System (CDMIS) of the Provincial and Local Governance Support Program, including registered experts from the KPTA, officials from provincial ministries and offices, as well as independent experts. The training will be conducted at the specified local level, on the designated dates and locations outlined in the schedule.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Training-ER, 1000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1660)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity Development on settlement and ward level planning process (Coaching, mentoring, mobile team mobilization and simulation)

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The MoFAGA and NPC has developed the LG participatory planning process guideline for LGs to formulate their annual plan and budget. The seven-step planning process has clearly explained the participatory planning process. However, most of the LGs still lack the capacity gap of the participatory planning process. Conducting capacity building through simulation exercises, coaching mentoring and training on participatory planning process and monitoring for Ward Committee members is essential to empower them with the knowledge and skills necessary for effective community engagement, decision-making, and monitoring of local development initiatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: Coordination will be carried out with local governments (LGs). Experienced resource persons will be mobilized to the LGs to facilitate the training. All ward members of the LGs will participate in the training

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, LGs, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1661)

**Activity:** Training to KPTA staff on research and consulting service management.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA is envisaged to be the center of excellence with a strong presence in the field of capacity development right from its inception. KPTA staff is a must for delivering capacity development activities and also research and consulting services through the acadamy effectively. Thus, various method of research and consulting services management for the staff of KPTA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: - The KPTA, in close coordination with PPSU/OCMCM, will identify professional training facilitators and make contracts to deliver the beyond the training capacity development for KPTA staff.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1662)

**Activity:** Demand based capacity development trainings

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA is envisioned to be a center of excellence, establishing a strong presence in the field of capacity development from its inception. To effectively address the needs of local governments (LGs), KPTA will gather demand through formal dispatch letters, extensive consultations, and by responding to specific requests from LGs for capacity development activities. This structured approach will ensure that KPTA delivers targeted and impactful training initiatives that meet the unique needs of each local government.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will send official letters to local governments (LGs) to solicit their capacity development needs. These letters will outline the purpose of the initiative and request specific feedback on areas where support is needed. KPTA will establish a formal mechanism for LGs to submit specific requests for capacity development activities. This could be through an online portal or a dedicated email address, ensuring that all requests are documented and prioritized.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1800

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.7.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1663)

**Activity:** Training need Assessment

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The KPTA is committed to enhancing the capabilities of provincial and local governments (LGs) through targeted training initiatives. To achieve this, KPTA is undertaking a comprehensive Training Needs Assessment (TNA) that will systematically identify the specific skills and knowledge gaps at both provincial and local levels. This assessment will form the foundation for designing effective capacity development programs that respond to the unique challenges faced by these governments.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The KPTA, will follow government procurement process for consulting service to select professional consulting firm to identify the specific capacity development initiatives for PLGs.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 1500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1664)

<u>Activity</u>: Traning to ward chairpersons and ward secretary on Sifaris, social security, vital registration and Sarjhmin

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to provide training to ward chairpersons and ward secretaries in Karnali Province on key administrative processes, including "Sifaris" (recommendation letters), social security management, vital registration, and "Sarjhmin" (local-level verification). The training will enhance their knowledge and skills in efficiently handling these essential functions, improving service delivery at the ward level and ensuring that citizens receive timely and accurate support.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Karnali will organize this training program, engaging experts in local governance and public administration to facilitate the sessions. PRTA will manage logistical arrangements, including participant coordination, venue setup, and preparation of training materials. Following the training, PRTA will provide follow-up support to ensure that ward officials effectively apply the acquired knowledge in their respective roles.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1665)

<u>Activity</u>: Learning sharing workshop on Good practices of Innovative Local Economic Development between LGs

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The Learning Sharing Workshop on Good Practices of Innovative Local Economic Development will be organized to foster collaboration and knowledge exchange among local governments (LGs). Recognizing the critical role LGs will play in enhancing local economies and ensuring accountability towards their citizens, this workshop will aim to promote social accountability, strengthen intergovernmental relations (IGR), and share successful practices in local economic development.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare concept note and ToR to mobilize expert services to facilitate the workshop. The KPTA will prepare a program plan, identify resource persons (firm or individual) from roster in CDMIS, and they will be recruited to conduct the workshops events.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 1000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1667)

Activity: Capacity Development training to technical staff of LGs on building code

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will plan 5 events of capacity development training for technical staff (Engineer and sub-engineer) of local governments on Building code. KPTA will organize four training events at the municipality (palika) level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare concept notes and ToR to mobilize expert services to deliver training to technical staff of LGs as per need and demand. The KPTA will prepare a program plan, identify resource persons (firm or individual) from roster in CDMIS, and they will be recruited to conduct the training events.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1668)

<u>Activity</u>: Mobile team mobilization (MT)for effective implementation of local level planning process of LGs(Periodic Plan,CD Plan, RIAP and LED Plan)

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The mobile expert services team is usually flexible and may move to various places to provide training programs, workshops, and mentoring sessions. By offering targeted training and support, the team helps the local leaders and government staff develop new skills, acquire knowledge, and improve their performance in various areas related to their work or responsibilities. After the initial training sessions, the mobile team may conduct follow-up visits or evaluations to assess the impact of the capacity development efforts. This allows them to gather feedback, identify any ongoing needs, and make adjustments to their programs or approaches accordingly. The main objective of the mobile service will be to technically support for the effective implementation of different prepared plans of LGs such as periodic plan, revenue improvement plan, Capacity development plan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare concept notes and ToR to mobilize expert services to make LGs effective and efficient service delivery on the institutionalization of LGs. The KPTA will prepare a program plan, identify resource persons (firm or individual) from roster in CDMIS, and they will be recruited to conduct the interaction program based on ASIP.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Support\_Expert Mobilization, 1000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1669)

<u>Activity</u>: 1 Day Community of Practices (CoP)/interaction with representatives and staff to identify issues and solution

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Federalism and its areas are new concepts for Nepal and there are various issues and concepts that are new to federal governance. Therefore, for the purpose of interacting as well as imparting hands-on skill to elected representatives as well as staff, PLGSP is planning to organize CoP on various different thematic and domains targeting LG officials and elected representatives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: In coordination and consultation with the PLGs and analysis of the context, KPTA plans to organize CoP with representatives and officials of local level. The content and program will be developed in close coordination with PPSU/ OCMCM and resource persons selected from CDMIS following government norms and procedures.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Community of Practicies, 1000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1670)

<u>Activity</u>: Promotional activities related to Good Governance and prevention of corruption at the local level.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Good governance will be the cornerstone of a thriving community. It will ensure that our local government is responsive, inclusive, and accountable to its citizens. Today, we will explore how each of us will play a vital role in fostering an environment where ethical practices will flourish, and corruption will have no place. Good governance will not just be the responsibility of elected officials; it will be a collective effort. We will encourage every one of you to engage with local government processes. You will attend town hall meetings, ask questions, and voice your concerns. Your participation will be crucial in holding leaders accountable and ensuring that decisions reflect the needs of the community.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare concept notes and ToR to mobilize expert services. The KPTA will prepare a program plan, identify resource persons (firm or individual) from roster in CDMIS, and they will be recruited to conduct the interaction program based on ASIP.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Interaction, 1500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1671)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development programme related to local level periodic plan (ToT, orientation, worksho and on-sight coaching)

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The main objective is to create periodic plans in accordance with the guidline, directives, standards, and frameworks issued by the Government of Nepal and the Provincial Government, ensuring alignment with the long-term vision, policies, plans, and sustainable development goals of the Government of Nepal and the Karnali Provincial Government. in this regard, Strengthen capacity of staff of LGs to understand and apply local-level planning frameworks. Equip officials of LGs with the tools to engage stakeholders effectively.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: ToT, orientation, worksho and on-sight coaching events will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in these events.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 3000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1673)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development programme related to local level CD Plan (ToT, orientation, worksho and on-sight coaching)

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Without improvements in the institutional structure, human resources, and physical infrastructure capacities of local levels, it will not be possible to provide quality services to citizens, introduce innovation in a timely manner, or achieve results-oriented outcomes. Therefore, to create effective, quality, and accountable local governance, it is essential to identify the needs of local levels and develop a long-term capacity development plan.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: To implement this program, ToT, orientation, worksho and on-sight coaching events will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in these events.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Workshop\_Stakeholder, 3000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.8.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1674)

<u>Activity</u>: Capacity development programme related to local RIAP (ToT, orientation, worksho and onsight coaching)

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

Narratives: The increasing expenses of local governments have made it imperative to enhance internal revenue mobilization capacity to support their expenditures and strengthen their capabilities. This requires exploring the possibilities of revenue authority at the local level, identifying necessary policy, legal, and managerial reforms to mobilize potential revenue sources, and implementing these measures. Based on these efforts, there is a need to project the actual internal revenue that can be mobilized in the future, thus highlighting the necessity of a revenue reform action plan. To study and analyze the current state of revenue, identify the necessary actions for revenue reform, strengthen overall revenue administration, and facilitate the revenue projection for the next three fiscal years, the six local levels in Karnali Province need to prepare a Revenue Improvement Action Plan. This plan will outline the activities required for revenue reform.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: To implement this program, ToT, orientation, worksho and on-sight coaching events will be conducted in coordination with LGs. Elected representatives and officials will participate in these events.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 3000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1675)

<u>Activity</u>: Orientation on Social Accountability tools implementation (Public hearing , socila audit, PETS, CSCR etc.) to LGs.

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will plan 4 events of orientation on Social accountability tools such as PETS, CSCR, Social audit, public hearing to LGs staff and representatives

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare a concept note and Terms of Reference (TOR) for this event. A trainer will be hired following the government's procurement process, and the content will be finalized in collaboration with the trainer. The event will be organized as planned.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Public Hearing, 2800

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1676)

Activity: Capacity development training to community mediators (8 Days)

To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will organize an 8-day basic meditation training for community mediators in consultation with local governments (LGs). These two provincial-level events aim to help mitigate misunderstandings and disputes at the community level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare a concept note and Terms of Reference (TOR) for this event. A trainer will be hired following the government's procurement process, and the content will be finalized in collaboration with the trainer. The event will be organized as planned.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1677)

Activity: Capcity development training to CD focal persons to implementation of CD Plan.

### To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will plan capacity development training for capacity development (CD) focal persons at local governments. Priority will be given to local governments with an existing CD plan. To ensure the smooth implementation of CD plans at the local level, KPTA will organize three training events at the municipality (palika) level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare a concept note and Terms of Reference (TOR) for the implementation of this event. A trainer will be hired from the roster or through the government's procurement process. The event will be facilitated by the trainer, with KPTA providing technical support and ensuring proper reporting.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1678)

**Activity:** Capacity development training to Tole Bikash Sanstha (TLOs)

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will organize two capacity development training events for Tole Bikash Sanstha (TLOs) registered under the local TLO guidelines. A 2-day capacity development program will be held at the provincial level to support social transformation within the community.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will prepare a concept note, Terms of Reference (TOR), and an event plan as per PASIP. A resource person will be hired for this event in accordance with government procurement rules. The event will be organized at the provincial level, and completion will include proper reporting.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Institutions\_CBOs/NGOs, 1000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1679)

<u>Activity</u>: One Stop Service Delivery (OSSD) center establish and support to operationalize OSSD at local level

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: KPTA will select two LGs for OSSD in close coordination with PSC and OCMCM. One Stop Service Delivery (OSSD) in the local level aims to streamline and simplify access to government basic services for citizens. This initiative involves creating a single platform where multiple services are available under one roof, reducing the need for citizens to visit multiple section of LG office.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA, in close coordination with PPSU/ OCMCM, will make detailed plans (concept note and proposal/ToR etc.) external consulting firms/Resource person will be hired through public procurement process to facilitate whole process of OSSD.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, System\_Implemented, 2000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1680)

**Activity:** Develop training manuals and curriculum

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: A significant number of trainings have been planned to build capacity of elected representatives and staff at both provincial and local level through KPTA. In such a way, many training curricula, CD manuals have been developed by MoFAGA and PCGGs in various provinces. The KPTA also has developed and approved a number of modules/ curriculum on different training topics and thematic areas. Despite that, there are still some thematic areas left for the curriculum development. Thus, to minimize over-reliance on outside experts as sources of knowledge, KPTA has plans to develop three CD manuals, curriculum, and training materials.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA, in close coordination with PCU and OCMCM, will make detailed plans (concept note and proposal/ToR etc.) external consulting firms/Resource person will be hired through public procurement process. KPTA prepared three training modules in the 2023-24 fiscal year by signing MoU between NASC.. As much as possible, KPTA will go through the same methodology for preparation of the three CD manuals, curriculum, and training materials.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Document\_Training Modules, 1500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1681)

**Activity:** Monthly publication and broadcasting of KPTA activities.

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As part of disseminating the progress of the KPTA, monthly activities progress publication and also broadcasting through local media will be used as a means of communication. The broadcasting will cover the basic information, monthly progress/ achievements, future strategies of KPTA and challenges along with successful case stories.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The information will be gathered and with help of the internal team and publication materials and shall be published in the website and broadcasting interviews of management team in local media for wider sharing in the provincial network. Consulting services may be procured on an as needed basis for design and production of radio programme.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

12, Publication\_Knowledge Products, 600

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1682)

**Activity:** Video documnetary of KPTA

# To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As part of wider dissemination of th progress and the marketing strategy of KPTA. Video documentary will be prepare which covers the detail information of physical infrastructure, major achievemnets and future strategies of KPTA.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: KPTA will follow the government procurement process to hire a consultant to prepare video documentary.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Publication\_Learning Modules (Video), 500

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 6.2.9.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1683)

**Activity:** Quarterly bulletin publication of KPTA

## To be implemented by: Karnali-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As part of disseminating the progress of the KPTA, bulletin, brochure and publication materials will be used as a means of communication. The bulletins and brochure will cover the basic information, quarterly progress, achievements, milestones and challenges along with successful case stories.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The information will be gathered and with help of the internal team the bulletin, brochure and publication materials shall be published in the website and disseminated for wider sharing in the provincial network. Consulting services may be procured on an as needed basis for design and production of bulletin.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Publication\_Learning Modules (Document), 400

# 5.14. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PPSU Sudurpashchim

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

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.533)

**Activity:** Forumate povince laws (Acts, Regulations, Directives, etc.)

# **To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU**

Narratives: As per the constitutional provision, the Province Government (PG) has been active in drafting and enacting a significant number of laws, frameworks and guidelines for effective functioning of the provincial governance, public administration and public service delivery to successfully implement the federalism. In this regard, the PLGSP, since the beginning, has been supporting and providing technical assistance in law drafting process. The effort is particularly focused on application of the universal/national norms and standards for law drafting in a consultative manner including wider stakeholders' consultations. This effort will assist to ensure that the drafting officials and legislators are in line with their goals and purposes; the laws are consistent, well written and fully understood by stakeholders; and ensure other required obligations. This process also seeks to facilitate bringing more clarity, consistency and ownership in formulating, implementing the devolved roles and responsibilities of PGs in an effective and efficient way.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Law (MoIAL) and relevant PG ministries, will carry out the activities. The priority and demand-based laws (acts, regulations, procedures, guidelines, etc.) will be identified, consulted and processed for drafting in a consultative manner with engaging the key stakeholders.

### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Document formulated Law, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.3.25.534)

**Activity:** Review the existing province laws (Acts, regulations, procedures, guidelines, etc.)

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

Narratives: The law review and amendment are another crucial duty of the PG. Several laws drafted and enacted by the province are realized with several constraints form effective implementation in the province, from the parts of legal provision to structural and human resources arrangement, as well as gaps, errors and contradictions for other relevant laws. At the same time, the changing nature of society and changes scope of works also demand for timely revision of some PG laws. Realizing this context, the PLGSP has also been providing necessary technical assistance in laws review process including identification of such laws, and encouraging the PG agencies to make the review process in a consultative, participatory and inclusive manner. In fact, such practice will bring more clarity, consistency and ownership in the revision work.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM, MoIAL and relevant ministries, will facilitate to undertake this activity. As required, the PPSU also leads and facilitates the PG in prioritization of laws (acts, regulations, procedures, guidelines, etc.) for review work, and processed for review work in a consultative manner with engaging the key stakeholders.

This activity will be implemented through a professional consulting firm/consultant, hired through a competitive process.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_reviewed\_Law, 2000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.83)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct an orientation to Provincial Assembly / Thematic Committee Members on law drafting process

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Parliament plays a particularly important role in development of better legislations. Similarly, the people's representatives in the parliament should, at least, be aware of impacts of laws in the society and people. Therefore, they should have or acquired a fundamental knowledge on law making process including the established values and practice. Even these basic capacities will play a crucial role in discussion and enactment process of any legislation. Similarly, the Secretariat officials should have adequate knowledge and skills in this regard, so that they can assist the lawmakers as required in the enactment process.

PLGSP has been making a special focus on improving the quality of laws and capacity of both representatives and officers in of law drafting and review process through different assistance and intervention. In this regard, the capacity development of the Province Assembly/Thematic Committees' Members and the Secretariat officials on law making and legislative process is an important intervention, which also helps in creating a minimum common understanding among the Members and officials and facilitate the legislators to carefully act on legislative process.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination with the Provincial Assembly Secretariat, MoIAL and the Office of Chief Attorney, will conduct this activity. The PPIU will develop the concept note and content of the orientation as well as coordinate and facilitate for acquiring the service of relevant resource persons (Federal parliamentarians, senior law officers and/or national/senior experts (through outsourcing) as required, in coordination and consultation with PA, PG, MoFAGA and MoLJPA.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-ER, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.32)

Activity: Prepare and publish the GESI status report of PG (Based on GESI Audit)

To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: GESI audit in 7 province ministries was conducted in FY 2023-24 under leadership of the Ministry of Social Development (MoSD) and the PLGSP/PPIU extended its expert assistance in the process and reporting. Earlier, the PLGSP/PPIU drafted the GESI audit indicators and forwarded to the MoSD for finalization and approval process. The GESI Audit Procedure was approved by the Cabinet in the FY 2023/24. The procedure has provisioned to conduct the GESI audit in all PG ministries, agencies and offices as a regular annual duty.

Hence, the PLGSP/PPSU has planned to support PG/MoSD in producing and publishing the provincial GESI report based on the GESI audit findings. This report will further serve as the baseline for all PG agencies and stakeholders to act forward. This will also guide the PGs in planning, programming and budgeting at the province with prioritizing the GESI perspectives.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with MoSD, will develop the concept note and ToR and hire the consulting firm/individual through a competitive process to undertake and accomplish this activity. The PPSU and MoSD will provide regular inputs and guidance to the consulting firm/consultants as per the requirements as the part of quality assurance and oversight of the assignment.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_GESI Audit-PG, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.35.1543)

**Activity:** Support in strengthening the grievance handling management system (Hello CM)

To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Grievance Handling System, known as 'Hello CM' was developed in the Sudurpashchim Province in the FY 2021/22 and in operation from then after. The Mobile Application of the system was also developed in FY 2023-24 as a part of further updating and easing the reporting and receiving the grievances from the general public and other stakeholders.

Hence, the PLGSP continues to support for regular operation and further enhancing the system through various support, i.e. equipment, coaching and mentoring, etc. The PPSU also aims to support the OCMCM for wider public information dissemination, awareness and advocacy about the mechanism through various means of communication, including preparation of IEC materials and public outreach, as necessary.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM, will coordinate and facilitate to undertake all related activities.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Support\_Technical, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1501)

Activity: Conduct an orientation to PG staff on the provision and procedure related to public hearing

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Provincial Governments need to be more accountable towards the citizen and also to maintain transparency in their operations and function. To maintain transparency and accountability in PG, the use of different tools like, public hearing, pubic audit, etc. The PLGSP has been supporting the PG agencies in the province to conduct a couple of public hearing events (of provincial major projects/programmes) from the earlier years.

In FY 2023/24, the PLGSP/PPIU supported the PG/OCMCM in drafting the Procedure related to Public Hearing in order to standardize the public hearing process and regulated by the law. The draft went through a series of consultation; however, the finalization process is still underway. In this regard, the PPSU will facilitate and provide expert assistance, as required, for the finalization process. After finalized, the PPSU, as per plan, will facilitate to conduct the orientation to the PG staff about the Procedure.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will lead the process and conduct the event in coordination/ consultation with OCMCM. The PPSU will coordinate and facilitate for arrangement of the resource persons from PG, PLGSP and external experts, as required.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 300

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

ASIPB Number: 7.1.4.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.28)

**Activity:** Support to PG in SDGs locatization (SDGs localization report preparation and publication)

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is a global commitment and Nepal is committed to fulfill the target in a given time frame. With the changed governance system (unitary to federal), Nepal needs to localize the SDGs indicators and targets into provincial and local plans, programmes and strategies. The localization effort has taken place in the Sudurpashchim Province accordingly and the Provincial Policy and Planning Commission (PPPC) is leading the process, as conducting stakeholders' orientations, targets and indicators setting, and provincial level reporting.

In this context, under this activity, the PPSU will assist and facilitate the PPPC in provincial SDGs localization report preparation and localization efforts, as required by the PPPC.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with the PPPC, will accomplish this activity. The PPIU will prepare the concept note and ToR as required and process for hiring the professional consulting firm or individual to undertake this assignment. Similarly, the PPSU/OCMCM and PPPC will provide regular inputs and guidance to the consulting firm/consultants as per the requirements as the part of quality assurance and oversight of the assignment.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.31)

Activity: Conduct an orientation to GESI focal persons of PG on GESI audit

To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Government of Sudurpashchim Province has appointed the GESI Focal Person in each of seven ministries and almost PG offices across the province, with the aim to implement the vision of the constitution to promote gender equality, prosperity and social justice. The GESI Focal Person has specific GESI mainstreaming roles and responsibilities in their respective ministry and subsequent offices, along with lead, facilitate and coordinate for development of GESI policy, strategy, plan as well as incorporate the GESI matters in all other sectoral plans, policies, programmes and budgeting. Hence, the routine capacity development efforts are required for GESI FPs to update themselves and effectively perform their roles and responsibilities.

As the GESI audit at PG ministries and offices is scheduled as a regular duty, the GESI FPs are also required to orient on GESI Audit related legal provisions, process and operational tasks. Therefore, the PPSU, in coordination with the Ministry of Social Development (MoSD), will conduct at least one orientation event on GESI audit to PG GESI Focal Persons in order to facilitate the GESI audit works effectively in the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination and collaboration with MoSD, will design the course content and conduct an orientation event for PG GESI Focal Persons. The PPSU will coordinate and facilitate for arrangement of the resource persons from PG, PLGSP and external experts.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.39)

**Activity:** Organize the joint monitoring and evaluation of the activities of PG and PLGSP

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Routine monitoring/follow-up visits to collect the relevant data and information about the progress of the programme implementation as well as to provide the timely feedback for the improvement is important for all programmes. OCMCM and relevant PG ministries/institutions are also interested to observe how the field activities are going on and what are the initial feedback of actual beneficiaries upon the implemented activities in terms of effectiveness and initial impressions. Hence, joint monitoring/follow-up visits have been planned for the officials of PGs and PLGSP/PPSU to observe the implemented activities by PGs institutions (including PLGSP) and collect initial feedback of the beneficiaries. This is expected to promote learning and improvement in the programme implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with PPD/OCMCM, will organize the joint monitoring visits – including sites, participants and detailed schedules – as periodic and need basis to monitor and assess the status and progress of the programme intervention and benefits.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Visit\_Monitroring, 1000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1695)

<u>Activity</u>: Support in strengthening the Government Integrated Office Management System (GIOMS) including system and service establishment

# **To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: GIOMS is the system developed by Government of Nepal and will be gradually implemented in all government agencies across the country. Currently several federal ministries, departments and subordinate offices are implementing this system. GIOMS is a centralized system with common module applicable for all government agencies which reduce the concept of paper in office that will enhance the efficiency and transparency of an organization. The integrated system allows the agencies and offices to store, manage, and retrieve data into a centralized and interconnected system of all ministries and agencies. It will help all ministries and agencies to have and use the system, which provides a centralized repository for data from different sources and departments, eliminating the need for separate databases or spreadsheets. This promotes data consistency, accuracy, and integrity.

Therefore, as the system is being introduced and implemented in all province and local governments also, the PLGSP is assisting the Government of Nepal in strengthening the system especially by facilitating in organizing a series of trainings/orientation programmes to government staff on the system for its effective implementation.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination and consultation with PCU/MoFAGA, MoCIT/DoIT and other relevant federal agencies and OCMCM, will organize the this activity by internal experts/consultants from the federal government. In addition, PPSU will also facilitate in establishment of the system in the province in coordination with PCU/MoFAGA, DoIT and other relevant federal agencies.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 900

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.34)

<u>Activity</u>: Strengthen IT based information management system in PGs (Various systems including websites, profile, portal, etc. upgrade/update, operation adn technical support)

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP, since the beginning, has been supporting the PG, especially the OCMCM, in development of IT based information management system. For several reasons, development and launch of expected systems are still on pipeline, however, some crucial systems are started, such as redesigning on PG websites, province portal, province profile, e-cabinet, grievance handling (Hello CM) system, planning system, etc. These are in the initial stage of operation and need routine technical support and updating. Thus, this activity is dedicated to routine support in upgrading/updating as well as operational and technical support for smooth operation of the systems introduced in the province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM and PGs, will provide necessary technical support for all these assignments by the experts' service of the PPSU as well as outsourced professional support. Similarly, the PPSU will also seek the professional service from the consulting firm/individual as required by hiring them through a competitive procurement process.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, System\_Updated, 1800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.567)

Activity: Support in preparation of the Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) of PG

To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Constitution has provided revenue collection authority to all the three levels of government. In this context, each government is also required to develop and implement the revenue improvement strategy/action plan in order to explore the potential of increasing own source of revenue. Thus, this activity is planned to support the province government to develop the revenue improvement action plan (RIAP) or strategy, which will provide ideas and bases for revenue collection, revenue areas expansion, and increment to boost up the domestic revenue collection and system.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with Ministry of Economic Affairs (MoEA), will facilitate and support in preparation of RIAP of the Province. In this process, inputs, suggestions and feedback from both public and private sectors are also collected through various means and accommodated as appropriate for the preparation of the strategy/action plan.

This assignment will be conducted through hiring the professional consulting firm/individual. The PPSU will prepare the concept note and ToR as well as process to undertake this assignment. The PPSU, in consultation with MoEA, will also facilitate and/or guide the firm/consultants during the assignment as required by and performs quality assurance and oversight of the assignment.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_RIAP, 2000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.13 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1710)

Activity: Conduct trainings/orientations on IT systems operation and management to PG Staff

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP, since the beginning, has been supporting the PG in development of IT based information management system, such as redesigning on PG websites, province portal, province profile, e-cabinet, grievance handling (Hello CM) system, planning system, etc. These are in the initial stage of operation and need routine technical support and updating. This support also includes capacity development of PG and IT officials about the system, operation/usage, and minor troubleshooting, and so as the PPSU has planned for.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM and PGs, will conduct at least three capacity development events (trainings/orientations) for PG/IT officials as mentioned above. The activity will be conducted by the PLGSP experts as well as through outsourced professional support, as required.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 800

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.14 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.35)

<u>Activity</u>: Strengthen IT based information management system in PGs (PG level programmes/projects pf provincial stakeholders - mapping/tracking system development)

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Projects Mapping System (PMS) allows users to create and manage multiple projects, providing a centralized hub for all project-related information. It helps to keep track of projects as well INGO/NGO run in Province. At one centralized system which track all the project run under which INGO/NGO also track sector wise information. It will help OCMCM to track and get information about the project run in Province.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination and consultation with OCMCM, will outsource IT service through procurement process to accomplish this activity. In addition, the PPSU will coordinate with LGs, UNDP field office and UN agecines based in Dhangadhi, AIN, NGO federation, province chapter and other stakeholders as necessary to aquire necessary data and information for the system entry.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, System\_Developed, 500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.15 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.44)

**Activity:** Conduct a study on economic potentialies of the province

**To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU** 

Narratives: A recent study by Central Bank of Nepal (Nepal Rastra Bank, 2022) has stated that Sudurpashchim Province is lagged behind in economic progress despite having abundant natural resources. The province is low in industrial and entrepreneurship development due to lack of research and exploration and study of the potential sectors. There are several difficulties in the province, mainly geographic conditions, access to finance, development and financial infrastructure, road connectivity, etc. along with the lack of required resources and capacity of the local and provincial governments in mobilizing institutional and technical resources for overall development and service delivery. The study also stated that despite of several challenges, there are different opportunities on agriculture (esp. high value crops production and export), tourism (unexplored destinations especially, natural and cultural) and industrial development.

In this reference, the Ministry of Economic Affairs (MoEA) plans to conduct a study on economic potentialities in the province, basically based on the existing status, opportunities and challenges in the various sectors (Along with the mentioned challenges and opportunities). These sectors are identified as primary, secondary and auxiliary areas of economic development in the province. The study is also expected to explore the revenue generation and expansion opportunities and challenges based on the existing status. Similarly, the study is also expected to seek the potential areas, opportunities, challenges and ideas related to establishing and promoting the functional relations and partnership between public and private and NGO sectors for overall development of the province. Hence, PLGSP/PPSU is going to support in this initiative.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with MoEA, will prepare the concept note and ToR and, process to undertake this assignment. This assignment will be conducted through hiring the professional consulting firm/individual.

The inputs, suggestions and feedback from both public and private sectors are collected through various means during the assignment and accommodated them as appropriate for the preparation of the final report of the study. Further, the PPSU, in consultation and coordination with MoEA, will facilitate and/or guide the firm/consultant during the assignment as required and, performs the role of quality assurance and oversight of the assignment.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Document\_formulated\_Study Report, 2000

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.16 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1530)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct a provincial level learning sharing workshop for with deputy mayors and vice chairs of LGs on learning sharing related to monitoring and evaluation

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

Narratives: All organizations, whether government or private or non-government, functions with and/or implement their regular and development related activities with annual plan and policy. Similarly, there is a provision of monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of such plans and actions, whether in the form of embedded activity or as a function of the executive. The M&E is necessary to identify any potential issues, track progress, and measure outcomes. And, the findings and analysis of such M&E is a powerful approach for the authority, policymakers, decision-makers and implementors track progress and demonstrate the impact of a given activity, project, programme, or policy. It is also necessary to exhibit the effectiveness, efficiency, accountability and transparency of the governments, agencies, leadership and implementors, to the people and the country.

LGs are the first and close governments to the people and, their activities are closely related to people and their welfare as well as the first impression of the governments. Therefore, as the constitution and law (Local Governance Operation Act, 2074) have provided the provision of M&E committee in each LG and the Deputy Mayors/Vice Chairpersons lead that, the PLGSP/PPSU aims to conduct a workshop with the Deputy Mayors/Chairpersons of LGs, as 'Coordinator of M&E committee' to discuss on their experiences, leanings, issues and challenges related to M&E in their LGs. This learning sharing workshop will be an exciting avenue and opportunity for exchange of ideas and experiences for enhance their ideas and knowledge as well as thinking of ways forward.

Implementation Arrangement: The PPSU, in coordination with OCMCM, PPPC and PCU/MoFAGA, will conduct this activity. The PPSU will lead in process to develop the concept note with contents and agendas in coordination with the OCMCM and PCU/MoFAGA as well as LGs. The PPSU may also seek for acquiring the service of expert/s for facilitation and reporting purpose.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Interaction, 1500

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.4.17 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1500)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct orientations to the staff of PG (Ministries) and subordinate offices on the systems/provisions on monitoring and evaluation developed in the province

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Strengthening monitoring and evaluation system in the province and local governments has been one major intervention of the PLGSP since its beginning of implementation. The PLGSP experts have been rigorously engaged in developing laws and capacity development package for PLGs in this regard, seeing the weaknesses in M&E system and of the activities for quality assurance.

In this context, the PPSU aims to enhance the capacity of PG officials in M&E system and process, and therefore, has planned to conduct orientations particularly based on the efforts and experience of PG officials at their offices in this regard. The participants will be benefited from the latest M&E practices and approaches along with self-assessing their own practices and performances.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination with OCMCM, PPPC and PCU/MoFAGA, will organize the orientation. The PPSU will develop the concept note and course content in coordination with the relevant PG/FG officials as well as coordinate and seek for acquiring the service of expert/s (University scholars, and/or national/senior experts (through outsourcing) as required, in coordination with OCMCM, PG, MoFAGA and National Planning Commission.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation-Staff, 1050

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1698)

Activity: Conduct programme on strengthening interrelations between province and local level

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Intergovernmental coordination, cooperation and interrelationship regarding implementation of federalism is vital. There are several issues associated around these areas hindering the implementation of federalism. The Constitution of Nepal has provisioned exclusive and concurrent powers to all three levels of government, and the Federal, Provincial and Local Levels (Coordination and Interrelations) Act, 2077 has provided the clear points and/or contents for all governments for requiring and strengthening the effective interrelations among them to exercise their powers and perform duties and functions for the people and country. Similarly, the structural arrangements such as councils, commissions, etc. are also provided for and to connect the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the governments.

In this context, for the last two years, PLGSP/PPIU has facilitated and coordinated for an additional platform for the cordial interaction/dialogue between PG and LGs leadership and authorities in order to improve intergovernmental coordination, as a regular effort, by organizing joint events. Where both PG and LGs openly discuss and interact for identifying key and priority issues, challenges and ways forwards for their resolution. With learning from previous experience (As both PG and LGs leadership and officials appreciated for the effort and their benefits), this activity is planned and reframed.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with OCMCM and LGs, will organize this policy dialogue/interaction as a part of strengthening inter-governmental relation and coordination between PG and LGs at the province, that could be reflected in particularly development planning and implementation, public service delivery and laws and policies formulation and implementation.

The PPSU leads and facilitates the process in coordination with and under guidance of the Principal Secretary and PPD (Province Secretary) as well as in coordination with LGs leadership and plans for a series of event as district based. The PPSU also keeps a continuous coordination with the secretariat of Hon. Chief Minister in this regard.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

9, Event\_Workshop\_PLG, 4500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.537)

<u>Activity</u>: Provide support to the Provincial Coordination Council (holding meeting, implementing decisions)

# **To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU**

Narratives: The Provincial Coordination Council (PCC) is provisioned under the Federal, Provincial and Local Levels (Coordination and Interrelations) Act, 2077, Clause 24 and 25. The inner spirit of this provision is to consult on the issues (dividend of resources, consultation on formulating law/act/guideline on conclusive powers, identifying strategic areas for mutual benefit, developing functional relationship & policy uniformity, resolving political as well as other issues if any) between provincial and local governments. Besides, this council meeting would tie up the functional relationship and linkage in planning, managing development activities between the provincial and local governments. In addition, the council is provisioned to resolve any issues in-between the PLGs. This activity will support the OCMCM, the Secretariat of the PCC, to conduct the meeting effectively in setting agendas and giving resolutions.

This activity will further entail other sub activities prior and after the PCC meeting. The PPIU will support in strengthening the PCC Secretariat at OCMCM, in drafting the agendas, implementing the decisions, finding out the common issues, strengthening sectoral committees in PG as well as recording minutes and disseminating the decisions to all concerned.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The OCMCM/PPSU will list out the agendas for the PCC meeting with focusing on the previous meetings' discussion points and decisions implementation status. In this regard, the PPSU assist the OCMCM to discuss in the mentioned points with PG-ministries/agencies, LGs, LGs Associations, etc. in order to adequately note the agendas and progress status. In this connection, PPSU will assist the Secretariat (OCMCM) in developing a concept note along with a cost contribution scheme and expected outcomes for the implementation of PCC decisions for example joint working modalities between the PGs and LGs.

The PPSU will assist in dissemination of the meeting minutes (decisions) of the PCC and Sectoral Committees widely to LGs and PG ministries. Further as necessary, the PPSUs will support the OCMCMs to conduct necessary visits and consultations with LGs and PCC members to update the status and decision execution.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Meeting, 600

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.3.25.538)

Activity: Organize the Provincial Coordination Committee Meeting of PLGSP

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The Provincial Coordination Committee provisioned under the PLGSP Programme Dococument, is the governing body of PLGSP in the province and, provides strategic guidance to the PPIU and PCGG in terms of policy, contents and activities. The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) will meet at least on a trimester basis to review progress and address issues and problems encountered during implementation of the activities. It also provides directions to the PLGSP team (PPIU and PCGG) for necessary communication and coordination with other agencies and governance programmes on issues and areas for harmonization and effectiveness.

The Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) is formed under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister. In the committee, the members including the representatives from DCC, Municipality and Rural Municipality associations, principal secretary and secretaries from PG ministries and elected representatives from LGs are nominated by the Chief Minister based on the provision of PLGSP Programme Document.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in coordination and consultation with PPD, PPM and Principal Secretary, will prepare necessary documents including agenda, presentations and schedule. The PPSU will further facilitate the organization of the meeting and inform participants including necessary logistic and event management support. The decisions of the meeting will be documented and shared with concerned stakeholders as appropriate.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 300

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1527)

Activity: Conduct a sharing workshop on good practices of PG and DPs working in the province

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Development Partners (INGOs and Donors) working in the province are also contributing to promote the governance and capacities of PLGs. PLGSP has been organizing the DPs coordination meetings since its beginning with a purpose to bring synergy effect in the governance as well as overall development related programmes as applicable, avoiding duplication and to complement through combined efforts.

In this context, this time PLGSP/PPSU has planned to organized a workshop for sharing of good practices of PG and DPs in the province level, which will be beneficial for all stakeholders.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will lead and coordinate to conduct the workshop, including setting agendas, communicating to DPs and facilitating the event. The events will be organized in presence of all ministries and working DPs in the province.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Stakeholder Consultation, 500

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.82)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct an interaction/workshop between PG and LGs on concurrent rights, intergovernmental relations and coordination (Including topics on Intergovernmental coordination, collaboration and interrelations regarding federalism implementation)

# **To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: Intergovernmental coordination, cooperation and interrelationship regarding implementation of federalism is vital. There are several issues associated around these areas hindering the implementation of federalism. This activity is thus planned to organize a workshop to discuss the issues, challenges and ways forwards for the resolution.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM, PGs and LG associations, facilitates and supports to organize the workshop on issue-based discussion on intergovernmental coordination, cooperation and interrelationship regarding implementation of federalism. The primary stakeholders of this workshop are the representatives/officials of province and local governments.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Workshop\_PLG, 1000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1524)

Activity: Conduct the citizen survey of any four selected offices of PG

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

Narratives: Citizens' satisfaction is one of the critical factors contributing to the quality of democracy and political stability. Quality and timely service delivery foster the citizen's trust and confidence in public services and institutions. It is also associated with the legitimacy of the government institutions and the government's ability to govern effectively. Over the years, the government institutions worldwide have been struggling to deliver quality services to the people. Although confidence in public institutions is viewed positively (Llewellyn et al., 2013), the decline in citizens' trust or confidence has remained a widespread concern, as observed in World Values Survey (Haerpfer et al., 2020) and other researches (e.g. Cowell et al., 2012). Many scholars and policymakers have expressed concern over the decrease in trust towards governments globally since the 1990s (Kang & Park, 2018).

For the case of Nepal, the Nepal National Governance Survey 2017/18 indicated an increase in citizens' confidence in accessing public services, with 69% of respondents reporting either complete or partial confidence, reflecting a rise in confidence compared to previous studies (Nepal Administrative Staff College [NASC], 2018). However, questions on quality, effectiveness and challenges to receive the public services in Nepal continues and, more than one-third believe that public services are not provided on time with specified standards and without the use of intermediaries (NASC, 2018).

Although the aspirations of service users in receiving public services across the country will remain similar, the citizens' confidence in public services is complex and is associated with several factors such as nature of services, location, age, gender, education, etc. Therefore, this year (FY 2024/25), PLGSP/PPSU has planned to conduct an independent study on the citizen's satisfaction of any four service delivery offices of the province government as a baseline study. The study findings will be beneficial for learning the actual status, citizens' aspiration and areas to improve.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU will lead and facilitate the process to identify the major service providing offices of the PG and select any four among them in consultation and coordination with OCMCM. The PPSU will prepare the concept note, contents of study, scope of work, etc. accordingly. After all preparation, the PPSU will seek the professional service from the consulting firm/individual for conducting this study/survey. They shall be hired through a competitive procurement process.

This study will be conducted as per norms of an independent study/survey modality, and no influence shall be made to the study team members for any adjustment or correction.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Institutions\_PG Agencies, 2000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1705)

Activity: Conduct an interaction/discourse on inclusive governance system

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: The constitution of Nepal 2015, has declared Nepal as an inclusive state with providing several inclusive provisions and measures. The constitution has particularly envisioned equality and social inclusion as one of the major goals for creating a democratic and just society. Transformation from the unitary to federal system of state governance system is the major example, in the means that the state can ensure equal access to public resources and opportunities. And, the rights of citizens for inclusion, their wellbeing is protected by the state policies and practices and Nepalese people can enjoy their rights and services from the state with no one left behind approach. Exclusion of people to participate meaningfully in the social, political and economic life of the society as the key reason for inequality and instability. It adversely all affects the development initiatives and economic growth. Therefore, the constitution and different policies emphasize on the inclusive governance in all the state's affairs.

The central point of inclusive governance stays on policy, provisions, practices and perceptions within framework of the rule of law, participation, representation, transparency and accountability for ensuring equitable access of all people irrespective of caste, class, gender and any other grounds, to basic services, resources and development opportunities. And, there shall be no disparities or discrimination based on gender, caste, ethnicity, religions and any other background. However, in practice, there are still many hindrances to progress in this reference: from policy to implementation, from structures to initiatives, from approaches to service delivery. Perhaps, a little more attention to policy reframing, careful examination and correction in their actual practice and overcoming the unintended gaps in policy provisions and their actual implementation, etc. may create and bring positive impacts.

Given the context, the PLGSP/PPSU has planned to organize a policy dialogue/interaction among the key stakeholders to discuss about the current provisions and practices related to inclusive governance in Nepal and attempts to explores participants' views and suggestions to draw a meaningful conclusion which will be beneficial for all levels of government and stakeholders.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with OCMCM, National Inclusion Commission, MoFAGA, LGs/Association and other key stakeholders, leads and facilitates to organize the event. The PPSU prepares concept and contents for this policy dialogue/event in a consultative manner with above mentioned stakeholders and make all arrangement for successfully accomplish this activity/event.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Interaction, 2000

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.565)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct the planning and periodic review workshop (Annual and trimester) of PLGSP (PPIU and PCGG)

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is planned to organize the trimester, half-yearly and annual progress review and planning workshop to track the progress, issues and challenges for effective implementation of the activities during the reporting period. The workshop is also organized for information sharing to and discuss on above mentioned agendas with the PG stakeholders (PG ministries and agencies) relating to the implementation of the PLGSP activities in the province. Further, it provides an opportunity to build a common understanding and learning among the PG stakeholders as well as explore the way forwards to smoothen the activities implementation and arrangement at the province level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with OCMCM, will organize the workshops as required for the reporting period.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Meeting, 750

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

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.563)

Activity: Organize inter-province experience sharing/study visit of PG officials

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU

<u>Narratives</u>: Inter-province experience sharing visit is an opportunity for the PG officials and PLGSP/PPSU TA team officials to learn and share through exposure visits in other PLGSP implemented provinces. The team can visit, meet and interact with each other and, learn about best practices that can be adapted and rolled-out later in their context. In addition, the visit will enable the visiting officials to develop a horizontal linkage and coordination promoting cross learning for improved performance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation with PPD/PPM, will explore the possible areas for the visit, and coordinate and communicate with PCU and destination PPSU/s. The PPIU will prepare a detailed concept of visit with agenda and schedule for the visit and share with the destination PPSU/s. The PPSU will prepare and share the report of after completing the visit.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Visit\_Exposure, 800

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

Output 5: Horizontal collaboration among Local Governments and vertical collaboration across Local Governments, Provinces and Federal Government is institutionalised and strengthened through Inter-Governmental mechanisms, Civic Engagement, Local Governanc

**ASIPB Number**: 7.1.5.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.3.25.1706)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct interaction programmes on the IT/ e-governance and data management related efforts at LGs

## **To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PPSU**

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP, since the beginning, has been supporting both PG and LGs in development of IT based information management system. And, regarding, local level support, PLGSP has been supporting all LGs in arrangement of a dedicated IT officers at each LG along with technical support in operating several IT/database systems at LG such as, SUTRA, websites, profiles, etc. including regular capacity development activities for the IT officers of LGs.

In this context, the PLGSP has however, observed and supported in implementation of different systems in LGs, now PLGSP wishes to conduct an interaction programme on IT/e-governance and data management related efforts at LGs particularly to discuss on their experience, learning, issues and challenges in this regard.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PPSU, in consultation and coordination with PCU/MoFAGA and LGs, will conduct at least three events. The PPSU may divided the numbers of all 88 LGs into three clusters to conduct this activity. The activity will be conducted by the PLGSP experts.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Interaction, 1500

# 5.15. Narrative of ASIPB Activities- PRTA Sudurpashchim

Outcome 3: Local governments have capacity for Good Governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.4.18 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1709)

Activity: Organize and conduct various CD training based on the demands at PG level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Capacity development of human resources is a continued process of an organization to enhance their capacities and enhance their knowledge and skills to effectively deliver their roles and responsibilities. In the reference, the PLGSP has been supporting in developing and implementing various CD activities for the staff/officials/representatives of PG in the areas of governance, administration, development effectiveness, management and coordination for effective, efficient and inclusive service delivery from the Provincial governments. Hence, this year, PLGSP has planned to conduct different CD activities particularly as required at the province level.

Implementation Arrangement: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the trainings in coordination and consultation with OCMCM and PGs. Earlier in the planning phase, PCGG will seek/collect the CD requirements or conduct a training need assessment for the PG level, both thematic and personnel. After need assessment, the PCGG will coordinate with PPSU, OCMCM and PG to priortize the themes and level to conduct the traininigs. PCGG/SPRTA expert team prepared the concept note with contents in consultation with PPSU, OCMCM and PG officials. PCGG will arrange the expert service internally from PG/PLGSP team and/or will seek the service of external experts as relevant to accomplish these training activities.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 4: Provincial institutions, organisations and capacity of elected representatives and staff, are strengthened for Provincial Good Governance, inclusive service delivery and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.4.19 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.65)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct orientations on the roles and responsibilties of the provincical council members; and on stress management, time management, positive thinking, communciation and presentation skills.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct orientations for provincial council members in Sudurpashchim Province, focusing on their roles and responsibilities, along with essential soft skills such as stress management, time management, positive thinking, communication, and presentation skills. These orientations will enhance the council members' effectiveness in fulfilling their duties, improving decision-making processes, and fostering a collaborative work environment

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will organize this orientation program, inviting experts in governance, stress management, and communication skills as facilitators. PRTA will manage all logistical aspects, including venue arrangements, scheduling, and preparation of orientation materials. Following the sessions, PRTA will collect feedback from participants to assess the effectiveness of the orientation and identify any further capacity development needs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event Orientation ER Staff, 2000

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.6.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1581)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct capacity development trainings to enhance the capacity of the technical staff under PLGSP program (PPIU and PCGG)

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to organize capacity development training programs for the technical staff working under the PLGSP program, including those in the Provincial Program Implementation Unit (PPIU) and the Provincial Center for Good Governance (PCGG) in Sudurpashchim Province. The training will focus on enhancing technical skills, program implementation strategies, and knowledge of best practices, thereby strengthening the overall capacity of the PLGSP program to achieve its objectives more effectively.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will coordinate and conduct these training sessions. PRTA will identify the specific capacity development needs of the PPIU and PCGG staff and engage experts to facilitate the training on relevant topics. Logistical arrangements, such as participant coordination, venue setup, and training materials, will be managed by PRTA. Following the training, PRTA will collect feedback to measure the training's impact and guide future capacity-building initiatives.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 6: Provincial Research and Development Academies have capacity to sustainably deliver demand-driven capacity development services for PLG institutions, organisations, their staff, and elected representatives, to perform their institutional function

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.6.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1599)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct demand-based capacity development trainings to enhance the capacity of OCMCM members and staff working at the Secretariate.

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: The PLGSP conducted a series of training workshops and orientations for the cabinet (PG Ministers) and secretariat officials for their capacity enhancement in the areas of personal etiquette, hospitality management, behavior action, stress and work management, communication skills, etc. Their influence has also been observed gradually in their daily activities and actions. As a part of continual effort to strengthen the PG leadership capacities along with their associated secretariat, the PLGSP has also planned for certain activities. However, the themes of the activities will be based on the needs and expectations of the participants. In this reference, the PCGG/SPRTA will coordinate to ensure the themes in-between to plan and executive the relevant trainings, workshops and orientations, etc.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PLGSP/PCGG/ SPRTA will conduct the CD events in consultation with OCMCM and PG ministries. PCGG in coordination with PPSU will collect the needs and expectations earlier to identify or propose the themes of the activities. Once these requirements acquired, the PCGG will plan accordingly to design and implement the activities.

The PCGG/SPRTA will carefully design the contents with inputs/suggestions from the experienced thematic experts, therefore seek the service of highly experienced and qualified professional to facilitate the event.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1603)

<u>Activity</u>: Workshops on Issue-based dialogues related to LG periodic plans, CD plans and revenue improvement action plans.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: As per the provision in the Local Government Operation Act 2017, local governments are required to prepare various plans and regulations in order to effectively function as well as deliver the public services. They need to formulate various plans such as, periodic plan, human resource plan, CD plan, revenue plan, etc. In this regard, LGs have or have been preparing such plans. However, such efforts are always affected by lack of expertise, experienced human resources, municipal priorities, etc. Many prepared plans are also found with several gaps and challenges from structural to implementation level. Therefore, with four years of experience and learnings, the PLGSP has emphasize to have open and issued based dialogues with LGs representatives and officials to discuss on gaps and challenges as well as ways forward to produce quality products for the future. The dialogues will be mainly focused on periodic plan, CD plan, RIAP and other crucial policy documents prepared by the LGs.

Implementation Arrangement: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with PPSU and PCU/MoFAGA will undertake the activity. To start with, the PCGG will collect necessary data and information from LGs on such mentioned plan and policy documents, as well as informally interact firstly for their basic needs and issues as a part of creating contents/agenda for the dailogue. With these inputs, PCGG will prepare the concept note including, workshop contents/agendas, schedule, resources, etc. Then, this activity will be conducted as district based events (9 events for 9 districts). In this regard, the PCGG will seek the expert service from internal experts from PG/PLGSP team and/or will seek the service of external experts as relevant.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

9, Event\_Meeting, 4500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1564)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct Internal Control System Orientations (with model ICS procedure) for the LG Elected representative and staff (3 person / each LG)

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: The internal control refers to the process in an organization to ensure that its operations are efficient, effective and adhere to the established laws and policies. The Financial Procedure and Accountability Act 2074 in Nepal has made it mandatory for all provincial and local governments to establish and manage the internal control system (ICS) in their institutions. However, almost of the PLGs have yet to establish the systems and tools for administrative management and fiscal discipline. The PLGSP has been working since beginning in orienting the officials about the system (ICS) and providing technical assistance. In this process, PCGG has planned to conduct orientations for LGs elected representatives and officials on ICS of its effective implementation, with including providing coaching on formulation of ICS at the LGs, where they have not prepared yet.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with PPSU/OCMCM, Provincial Financial Comptroller's Office (PFCO) and LGs will undertake the activity.

PCGG will draft the concept note and ToR for this activity with the expert service from internal experts from PG and/or will seek the service of external experts in consultation with PFCO and OCMCM.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 3600

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1577)

Activity: Follow up /monitoring / interaction and quality assessment of LISA and FRA implementation

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP coordinated and suported MoFAGA and LGs in introduction of LISA and FRA system in LGs as well conduct the orientation to LGs representatives and officials. Then after, PLGSP has been extending its expert assistance and quality assurance support to LGs in effectively implementation of LISA and FRA systems in LGs. Hence, as a part of routine support, the PLGSP will also support LGs in the systems. The PLGSP expert team will monitor the status, review for quality and provide necessary orientations.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This activity will be undertaken as the PLGSP experts visit the LGs as per its plan to monitor the status, check for quality as well as provide necessary mentoring and orientation to the LGs representatives and officials.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 3500

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

ASIPB Number: 7.2.7.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.50)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct follow up / training / interaction on midium-term expenditure framework (MTEF) for the elected representaives and staff at local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Another major support from the PLGSP to LGs is training/orientaiton and technical support in preparing the MTEF. The PLGSP/PCGG has been extending this support from the begining, and it is continued for this year too. This worskhop particularly provide/refresh the Mayor/Chair, CAOs and Head of Planning Unit of LGs on various aspects of MTEF such as concept, objectives, method and preparationa process, as well as alignment with their annual and periodic plans and budget.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with PPSU/OCMCM and PPPC will undertake the activity. PCGG will prepare the concept note including, contents/agendas, resources, etc., and schedule the activity in consultation with LGs. PCGG will arrange the expert service internally from PG/PLGSP team and/or will seek the service of external experts as relevant to accomplish this activity.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2700

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.79)

<u>Activity</u>: Provide mobile expert services at the local level for the effective implementation of plans (periodic plans, CD plans, RIAP, MTEF and Public Procurement).

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The concept of mobile expert service as backstopping to LGs was introduced last year in the PLGSP activities implementation. It was found quite effective for technical backstopping, learn about LGs progress and strengthen the coordination and relations. Through this activity, the technical expert service including coaching/mentoring was provided to LGs in various areas such as, preparation/finalization of various plans, budgeting, GESI, PFM, etc. Therefore, this activity is continued this year as well. The service will be mainly focus on drafting/finalizing periodic plan, RIAP, ICS, LED, MTEF, public procurement, etc.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This mobile service will be provided by the experts of PLGSP and also acquire service of outsourced experts on the themes. The PCGG/SPRTA will in communication and coordination with the LGs, prepare visit plan, schedule, contents, etc., and undertake the activity accordingly.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

20, Support\_Expert Mobilization, 2000

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1623)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct Local Economic Development (LED) training for the elected reps and staff athe local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: After the governance restricting, the federal system also pays special attention to the concept of local economic development (LED) as it is necessary not only for localities specific but also for the country as a whole to progress in socio-economic development to minimize the persistent regional/geographic disparities.

LED is an approach towards economic development which allows and encourages local people to work together to achieve sustainable economic growth and development thereby bringing economic benefits and improved quality of life for all residents in their areas/localities. In this context the roles and responsibilities of LG are very crucial to coordinate and facilitate for creating and nourishing such environment, by overcoming or minimizing the existing barriers to LED.

Hence, the PLGSP has planned to conduct a series of training programmes to LG representatives and officials in this regard, so that they can play a vital role in supporting LED in their areas.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will coordinate and conduct this training event in coordination with PG ministries, federal agencies and LGs. The PCGG will develop a concept note with contents and, make all preparations and arrangements to conduct these events (4 events). In this regard, the PCGG will seek the service through outsource professional experts of the areas.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.58)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct demand-base orienations on participatory planning and budgeting procedures for the members of local level ward committees and Tole Committees.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct demand-based orientations on participatory planning and budgeting procedures for members of local-level ward committees and Tole (community) committees in Sudurpashchim Province. The orientations will equip these members with the skills and knowledge necessary to actively engage in the local planning and budgeting process, ensuring that the needs and priorities of their communities are adequately reflected in local government plans and budgets. This participatory approach will promote inclusivity, transparency, and accountability in local governance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will lead this activity, coordinating with local governments to identify and invite members of ward committees and Tole committees for the orientations. PRTA will engage experts in participatory planning and budgeting to facilitate the sessions. It will also manage the logistical arrangements, including venue setup, scheduling, and preparation of training materials. Post-orientation, PRTA will collect feedback to evaluate the sessions' impact and identify additional support needs for effective community participation.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2100

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.64)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct a training on Public Procurement (e-bidding) for the PG level engineers and Admin Section Heads.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Adherence to public procurement related laws is essential for making any public procurement and e-bidding is a standard process in this regard. In this regard, the roles and responsibilities of engineers and administration officers are vital to ensure the due process and quality of services/goods procured. Incomplete knowledge and/or error in the documentation or decision-making process will cause for irregularities and compromised delivery. In this reference, as per needs and demand from the province government, the PLGSP has planned to conduct a training programme on public procurement and e-bidding process for engineers and administration officer from the provincial agencies/offices.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in coordination and consultation with OCMCM, PFCO and PPMO, will organize this training. PCGG will lead for coordination and logistic arrangement for the event. This is a specialized training and will be conducted with the service of expert-trainers from internal sources (FG, PG) and other relevant organizations or outsourced professional experts in the areas.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

1, Event\_Training-Staff, 700

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.70)

**Activity:** Conduct capacity development trainings for internal auditors at the local level.

#### To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is designed to conduct capacity development training for internal auditors at the local level in Sudurpashchim Province. The training will focus on enhancing the skills and knowledge of internal auditors in areas such as financial management, risk assessment, auditing procedures, and compliance with regulatory standards. Strengthening the capacity of internal auditors will improve financial accountability and transparency within local governments, leading to more effective and efficient use of public resources.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will coordinate this training, engaging experienced auditors and financial management experts to serve as facilitators. PRTA will manage logistics, including identifying participants, arranging the training venue, and preparing necessary materials. After the training, PRTA will gather feedback from participants to assess the training's effectiveness and identify further support needed to strengthen local-level auditing practices.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1400

Output 7: Local Government institutions and organisations, including elected representatives and staff, are strengthened and accountable for Good Governance, Intergovernmental collaboration, Civic Engagement and GESI responsiveness.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.7.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.78)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct community of practices (CoP) / discussions with the participation of elected reps and staff on identified issues and solutions at cluster and local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to establish and conduct Communities of Practice (CoP) discussions involving elected representatives and staff at the cluster and local levels in Sudurpashchim Province. The CoP sessions will provide a platform for participants to discuss identified issues, share experiences, and collaboratively develop practical solutions. By fostering dialogue and peer learning, this activity seeks to enhance problem-solving capabilities, promote best practices, and strengthen local governance.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will facilitate the CoP discussions, coordinating with local governments to identify key topics and participants for the sessions. PRTA will organize these discussions at cluster and local levels, managing logistics, including venue arrangements and necessary materials. Post-discussion, PRTA will document key insights and solutions to support the implementation of best practices across local governments.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

10, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 1500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1622)

**Activity:** Conduct inclusive annual program and budgeting workshops for the elected representatives and staff at local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct inclusive annual program and budgeting workshops for elected representatives and staff at the local level in Sudurpashchim Province. The workshops will focus on building the capacity of local governments to prepare and implement GESI-responsive programs and budgets effectively. By equipping participants with the knowledge and skills needed to adopt inclusive budgeting practices, the activity seeks to enhance local governance and ensure that service delivery addresses the needs of all community members, especially marginalized groups.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will lead this activity, coordinating with local governments to identify participants for the workshops. PRTA will invite experts in program planning, budgeting, and GESI to facilitate the sessions. Logistical arrangements, including venue setup and materials, will be managed by PRTA. After the workshops, PRTA will provide follow-up support to local governments to implement the inclusive budgeting practices discussed during the sessions.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

9, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 4500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.635)

**Activity:** Conduct In-service training to PG staff.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: In-service training is a process of regular capacity development effort for civil service staff working in different agencies and offices. This programme will provide exciting opportunities for the participants as enhace their knowledge and skills through class room based learnings, practical and learning visits. This training will be conducted for set days (35 days) with set training module. Further, this training completion with required marks/grade is the basic requirement for promotion into the next level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the trainings, in coordination and consultation with OCMCM, as residential in its training hall. This training will be organized for the officer and assistant level staff of the province. PCGG/SPRTA expert team prepared the concept note with contents in consultation with OCMCM officials. The notice about the event detail will be published in the website of the OCMCM and SPRTA. Then, the parlicipants will be selected based on the set criteria.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

2, Event\_In Service\_PG, 3200

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.648)

Activity: Conduct In-service training to LG staff.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: In-service training is a process of regular capacity development effort for civil service staff working in different agencies and offices. This programme will provide exciting opportunities for the participants as enhace their knowledge and skills through class room based learnings, practical and learning visits. This training will be conducted for set days (35 days) with set training module. Further, this training completion with required marks/grade is the basic requirement for promotion into the next level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the trainings, in coordination and consultation with OCMCM, as residential in its training hall. This training will be organized for the officer and assistant level staff of the province. PCGG/SPRTA expert team prepared the concept note with contents in consultation with OCMCM officials. The notice about the event detail will be published in the website of the OCMCM and SPRTA as well as sent to all LGs for their information. Then, the parlicipants will be selected based on the set criteria.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_In Service\_LG, 8000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

ASIPB Number: 7.2.8.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.67)

**Activity:** Conduct service-entry training to government staff at local level.

#### To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Service Entry Training is an initial training for the civil servants to enhance their capacity for delivering the services at their duty stations. This training is an induction to newly joined staff on their roles and necessary knowledge, skills and behaviors required for effective performance. There is a list of hundreds of new staff required this training in the province. This is also a continuous events that PLGSP/PCGG has been conducting from beginning. The PLGSP/SPRTA has planned to conduct five such trainings in this fiscal year.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the trainings in coordination and consultation with OCMCM. This training will be organized for the officer and assistant level staff of the province. PCGG/SPRTA expert team prepared the concept note with contents in consultation with OCMCM officials. The notice about the event detail will be published in the

website of the OCMCM and SPRTA as well as sent to all LGs for their information. Then, the parlicipants will be selected based on the set criteria.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event\_Pre Service\_LG, 3000

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.76)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct trainings based on the findings of LISA and LG capacity develop plans along with other contemporary demands for LG representatives and staff.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: The LGs in the province have been conducting their self assessment (Local Government Self-Assessment) being based on the set tools since after its endorsement in the FY 2077/78. The PLGSP has been extending its expert service including mentoring, quality assurance, etc. from the begining, later on along with DDCs. And, all LGs in Sudurpashchim Province have been complying with this requirement and upload their LISA results in the portal within the timeframe provided. Similarly, the PLGSP has been also assisting the LGs in preparation of their periodic and CD plans. In this reference, the PLGSP sudurpashchim has planned this year to conduct various training programmes as identified/suggested by CD plans and as realized from LISA learning. Such training will be provided to both elected representatives and officials of LGs, for their capacity enhancement in the areas as identified.

Implementation Arrangement: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the trainings in coordination and consultation with LGs. This training will be organized for the elected representatives and officials of LGs as identified and as per need. In this process, the PCGG/SPRTA expert team prepared the concept note with contents in consultation with LGs as well as based on their CD plans and LISA results. The PCGG expert will conduct need analysis on themes and personnel level to identify the themes more particular. Then based on the themes, PCGG will conduct the trainings with the technical support from the internal expert from PPSU, OCMCM and PG and the external/independent expert (consultants).

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1563)

Activity: Organize/conduct strategy / audit planning follow up / trainings.

To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

**Narratives:** Transformative leadership is little different than other leadership styles.

Transformational leadership inspires and motivates followers, whereas transactional leadership is based more on reinforcement and exchanges. Whereas, leadership is more focused in shaping employees' or followers' perceptions, responses to organizational change, and acceptance of innovations, such as evidence-based practices.

Therefore, the PLGSP has attempted to provide transformative leadership training to deputy mayors and vice chairpersons of LGs. This training will bring several related characteristics with leadership qualities in them such as, enhancing their self-awareness and understanding of strengths and weakness, their relationship aspects, technical leadership capacities and understanding vision for transformation in them and in team.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the training workshop in coordination with OCMCM, PPSU and relevant resource institutions, as well as coordinate with LGs to acquire their needs and expectations. The PCGG/SPRTA will carefully design the contents with inputs/suggestions from the experienced experts in the transformative leadership development initiatives, therefore seek the service of highly experienced and qualified professional to facilitate the event.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1565)

**Activity:** Conduct capacity development training to judicial committee members at the district level in coordination with Nepal Bar Council on judicial functions (judicial performance).

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity aims to conduct capacity development training for judicial committee members at the district level in Sudurpashchim Province. The training, organized in coordination with the Nepal Bar Council, will focus on enhancing the judicial functions and performance of the committee members. By providing knowledge on legal frameworks, case management, and dispute resolution practices, the activity seeks to strengthen the effectiveness and efficiency of judicial committees in addressing local-level disputes and ensuring justice.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This activity aims to conduct capacity development training for judicial committee members at the district level in Sudurpashchim Province. The training, organized in coordination with the Nepal Bar Council, will focus on enhancing the judicial functions and performance of the committee members. By providing knowledge on legal frameworks, case management, and dispute resolution practices, the activity seeks to strengthen the effectiveness and efficiency of judicial committees in addressing local-level disputes and ensuring justice.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

5, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 3500

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.8 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1569)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct training on climate resilience and disaster risk manangment training to staff at the local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The climate change and its effects have been apparent in all sphere of life. The studies provided the local levels are the most vulnerable to climate risks. Various types of disasters are one of the major impacts of climate change. Similarly, climate change has huge impacts in agriculture, water resources, temperature, weather, forest, and daily livelihood. Therefore, each LG has to be well aware on them, so that LGs can properly planned and implement relevant activities to deal with or minimize such impacts. Climate change adaptation and mitigation measures, resilience building, preparedness for disasters, rescue and relief works, etc. are primary tasks that LG should be well aware and prepared of.

Therefore, the PLGSP has aimed to provide training to LGs officials in such themes for their knowledge and skills enhancement and their capabilities to be prepared against such incidents.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with the PPSU/OCMCM. MoITFE, MoIAL, etc., will undertake this activity with the expert service from internal resources – PLGSP experts and PG expert officials and/or through acquiring the service from the independent external experts or firms through transparent and competitive process.

A total of four events will be conducted with covering the officials from all 88 LGs.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.9 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1571)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct demand-based trainings for the LG staff working in education, agriculture and health sections.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on organizing and conducting demand-based training programs for local government staff working in the education, agriculture, and health sectors in Sudurpashchim Province. The trainings will be tailored to meet the specific needs of each sector, aiming to enhance the capacity of staff to implement effective policies, programs, and service delivery mechanisms. By addressing the sector-specific skill gaps, this activity will contribute to improved governance and service provision at the local level.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will lead this activity by first assessing the training needs of local government staff in the education, agriculture, and health sectors. Based on these needs, PRTA will design and facilitate training programs, engaging subject matter experts for each sector. PRTA will manage logistics, including participant coordination, venue arrangements, and provision of training materials. Post-training, PRTA will gather feedback to evaluate the effectiveness of the sessions and identify additional capacity-building needs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.10 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1613)

<u>Activity</u>: Training / workshop to mayors of the municipalities and chairpersons of the rural municipality on leadership development and management.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: Competent leadership inspires trust and confidence among people, enhancing public satisfaction and engagement with the local government. Making sound decisions, managing resources effectively, and guiding the community through challenges can all be achieved when government officials follow these guidelines. The leaders oversee the duties and functions to effectively meet the needs and expectations of their people and communities that include from plan and policy formulation to their effective implementation for benefit and welfare of the people and localities. Similarly, they must remember they are there to guide and oversight to ensure their policy and actions should meet the characteristics of good governance mainly, rule of law, transparency, accountability, participation, etc.

Therefore, the PLGSP/PCGG/SPRTA has planned for such training workshop for the leaders of elected representatives, i.e. Mayors and Chairpersons of the local governments to add on ideas and values on enhancing their leadership skills, deal with several gaps and challenges and contribute to achieving inclusive and efficient governance at the local level. It covered a wide range of contents, for e.g. power structures, decision-making processes, team motivation and mobilization, inclusive governance, effective communication, etc. The PCGG/SPRTA will also utilize its prior experience and learning of similar activities to add on special contents in the workshop.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PLGSP/PCGG/ SPRTA will conduct the training workshop in coordination with LGs as to acquire their needs and expectations. The PCGG/SPRTA will carefully design the contents with inputs/suggestions from the experienced experts in the leadership development initiatives, therefore seek the service of highly experienced and qualified professional to facilitate the event.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 3600

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.11 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.66)

**Activity:** Organize / conduct demand-based trainings for the IT officers

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Capacity development of IT Officers of LGs is the annual event that PLGSP has been conducting from the beginning. ITOs have now become an essential human resource in LGs since the online/system-based planning, reporting and submission as well as service delivery practices have been increasingly used in all tiers of governments. Therefore, their routine capacity development is necessary for updating their knowledge and skills with existing and newly introduced systems, and share issues and challenges they have been facing in their LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in coordination and consultation with PPSU, will undertake this activity. PPSU IT expert will lead the process of developing training contents, logistics and schedule in this regard and PCGG will make necessary arrangement in this regard. This training will be conducted as 3 events for clustering all 88 IT officers from 88 LGs into 3 group. This specialized training will be conducted with the support from the outsourced experts.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 3300

Output 8: Local Government Basic Service Delivery Systems deliver effective, sustainable and inclusive services to all people, especially the most marginalised and remote.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.8.12 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.77)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct urban planning and designing training for the LG technical staff (engineers and sub-engineers etc.).

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: Urban or land use planning and designing is an important task for LG in order to ensure the appropriate distribution of land by their nature. Even under the existing features, such planning and designing assists in manage them to the extent possible with given the priorities to the geographical features of the localities. This not only facilitate in organized settlement and resources management, but also in safety and security of land, resources, properties and people from different kind of disasters and minimize risks and impacts.

Therefore, among various theme, PLGSP/PCGG also includes this theme in its capacity development efforts for LGs, and particularly targeted for engineers and sub-engineers from LGs.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation with PPSU/OCMCM and MoPID as well as following federal concept and guidelines, will create the content of the course of the training. This training will be conducted with the service of expert-trainers from internal sources (FG, PG) and other relevant organizations or outsourced professional experts in the areas.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Training\_ER\_Staff, 2700

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.1 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.53)

<u>Activity</u>: Accountability tools at the local level such as: Public Audit, Public Hearing (with model procedures) and Social Audit implementation orientation

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: There is increased responsibility at the local governments for effective service delivery and accountability toward its citizens. The social accountability tools like Social Audit, public audit, public hearing are common and powerful tool for transparency and accountability which also help to increase trust of the citizen towards LG if applied effectively and timely manner. It will help promote people's participation and ownership in local development activities initiated by the government. In this context, the PLGSP/PCGG will conduct three events of orientations on tools of public accountability, and practically support them to draft the relevant procedure in between.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with PPSU/OCMCM and LGs, will undertake the activity.

PCGG will draft the concept note and ToR for this activity with the expert service from internal experts from PG/PLGSP and/or will seek the service of external experts as required.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Orientation\_ER\_Staff, 2100

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

ASIPB Number: 7.2.9.2 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.80)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize/conduct Gender Responsive Budgeting workshop for the elected representatives and staff at local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

Narratives: Gender responsive budgeting is a prerequisite in the budget formulation. Gender Responsive Budget (GRB) is an important strategy for examining and assuring the budget for their contribution to gender eqality concept. It consists of a set of process and tools to allow correct and easy assessment of the implementation of budgetary expenses and revenues on the socio-economic positions of women and men. GRB is not a separate budget for women. Rather it mainly seeks to ensure that all the needs and interests of various social groups are highlighted in the budget as women and men have different priorities and needs, due to their distinct roles in the society. In this reference, the planned workshop on GRB to LGs representatives and officials will provide necessary ideas and knowledge on concept and process of GRB while preparing their budget and programmes.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with PPSU/OCMCM, MoEA and PPPC will undertake the activity. PCGG will make necessary preparations to conduct this activity. PCGG will undertake this activity with the expert service from outsource professionals/experts.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 3000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.3 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.56)

**Activity:** Organize/conduct GESI strategy / GESI audit planning follow up / workshops.

# To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: local levels from its beginning particularly for enhancing inclusive governance system. As a result, all province and local governments agreed to GESI mainstreaming in governance systems and development works. In addition, the PG and LGs have formulated either GESI policy or strategy or action plan.

Hence, the PLGSP has planned to conduct follow up workshops for LGs- among elected representatives and officials- relating to GESI strategy formulation (those LGs which have not made yet) and GESI audit plan for the LGs to assess their efforts in GESI mainstreaming at their governance system, planning and budgeting, administration and service delivery.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with the PPSU and MoSD, will undertake this activity with the expert service from internal resources – PLGSP experts and PG expert officials and/or through acquiring the service from the independent external experts or firms through transparent and competitive process.

A total of six events will be conducted with covering all 88 LGs.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

6, Event Workshop ER Staff, 3600

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.4 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1562)

Activity: Conduct GESI-service training to GESI Audit-LG staff.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: The PLGSP aims to make sure to mainstream GESI at both provincial and local levels from its beginning particularly for enhancing inclusive governance system. As a result, all province and local governments agreed to GESI mainstreaming in governance systems and development works by developing GESI policy or strategy or action plan and GESI audit.

As a major routine intervention, the PLGSP aims to make sure to conduct GESI audit in each government entities to assess the GESI mainstreaming efforts, as well as identify related strength, weakness, gaps and challenges. In this context, PLGSP/PCGG will coordinate, facilitate and support 15 selected LGs in developing the GESI Audit Procedure and related documents.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA, in consultation and coordination with the PPSU and MoSD, will undertake this activity with the expert service from internal resources – PLGSP experts and PG expert officials and/or through acquiring the service from the independent external experts or firms through transparent and competitive process.

A total of 15 LGs will be selected based on the set criteria and supported in development of the GESI Audit Procedure and related documents.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

15, Document GESI Audit-LG, 3000

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.5 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.29.52)

<u>Activity</u>: Workshop on roles, responsibilities and vertical cooperation of local level assemblies and executive committees

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: As per its goal, the PLGSP has been extending its expert technical assistance to all three tiers of governments, particular with focus on province and local governments. In this regard, the PLGSP is primarily focused on strengthening the governance system, and strengthen the capacities of elected representatives and officials of governments is one of the major objectives.

In this context, the programme has always emphasized on the effective delivery of duties and functions of the LG representatives for quality and efficient service delivery to citizen at the localities. Therefore, the PLGSP has been assisting and facilitating LG representatives and officials to perform their duties and functions as provided in the Constitution and LGOA 2017. At the same time, the PLGSP has been particularly extending its assistance on necessary coordination and facilitation with two levels of governments (province and local governments) strengthening the vertical cooperation and coordination. This workshop will mainly focus on the roles and responsibilities of all organs of LG as well as vertical cooperation from the LG side.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The PCGG/SPRTA will conduct the workshop in coordination with LGs associations and MoFAGA. The workshop will be based on the provisions of the Constitution and the Local Government Operation Act 2017 and other relevant laws. PCGG/SPRTA will develop the concept note with necessary contents and schedule plan for the events. This activity will be undertaken with the expert service from internal resources – PLGSP experts and PG expert officials and/or through acquiring the service from the independent external experts or firms through transparent and competitive process.

# Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

4, Event Workshop ER Staff, 2800

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.6 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1566)

<u>Activity</u>: Conduct training to the LG elected reps and staff on performance-focused conflict management, stress management and inter-personal relationship management in coordination and collaboration of NARMIN and MuAN.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity is designed to conduct training for local government elected representatives and staff in Sudurpashchim Province on performance-focused conflict management, stress management, and interpersonal relationship management. The training aims to build the capacity of local government officials to handle conflicts, manage stress, and foster healthy workplace relationships, thereby improving governance and service delivery. The sessions will be conducted in collaboration with the National Association of Rural Municipalities in Nepal (NARMIN) and the Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN).

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: The Provincial Research and Training Academy (PRTA) in Sudurpashchim will coordinate this training program, working closely with NARMIN and MuAN to ensure a comprehensive and tailored curriculum. PRTA will engage experts in conflict resolution, stress management, and interpersonal skills to facilitate the training. The logistical aspects, including participant invitations, venue setup, and training materials, will be managed by PRTA. After the training, PRTA will collect feedback to assess its effectiveness and identify any areas for further capacity-building support.

#### Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 2700

Outcome 3: Local governments have capacity for Good Governance and for delivering inclusive basic services to all people.

Output 9: Civic Engagement, social inclusion and external accountability mechanisms are internalised by Local Governments to ensure meaningful inclusive service benefits and performance accountability to people.

**ASIPB Number**: 7.2.9.7 (PLMBIS Number: 2.7.25.1624)

<u>Activity</u>: Organize / conduct capacity development trainings for elected Dalit and marginalized members at the local level.

## To be implemented by: Sudurpashchim-PRTA

<u>Narratives</u>: This activity focuses on organizing capacity development training programs for elected Dalit and marginalized members at the local level in Sudurpashchim Province. The training aims to empower these members with the necessary skills, knowledge, and confidence to actively participate in local governance processes. By enhancing their capacity, the activity seeks to promote inclusive decision-making, improve service delivery, and ensure that the voices of marginalized communities are effectively represented in local government.

<u>Implementation Arrangement</u>: This activity focuses on organizing capacity development training programs for elected Dalit and marginalized members at the local level in Sudurpashchim Province. The training aims to empower these members with the necessary skills, knowledge, and confidence to actively participate in local governance processes. By enhancing their capacity, the activity seeks to promote inclusive decision-making, improve service delivery, and ensure that the voices of marginalized communities are effectively represented in local government.

## Milestone, Milestone Explanation, Budget (NPR, in '000):

3, Event\_Workshop\_ER\_Staff, 180

# **5.16.** Operational and Machinery Cost

SN	Outcome	PLGSP Unit	Unit Budget (GON)	Total Budget (GON)	Unit Budget (JFA)	Total Budget (JFA)	Total Budget
1	Operational	Koshi-PPSU	0	0	5000	5000	5000
2	Machinery & Equipment	Koshi-PPSU	0	0	1000	1000	1000
3	Operational	Koshi-PRTA	0	0	4346	4346	4346
4	Machinery & Equipment	Koshi-PRTA	0	0	800	800	800
5	Operational	Madhesh-PPSU	5025	5025	0	0	5025
6	Machinery & Equipment	Madhesh-PPSU	2000	2000	0	0	2000
7	Operational	Madhesh-PRTA	3500	3500	0	0	3500
8	Machinery & Equipment	Madhesh-PRTA	1800	1800	0	0	1800
9	Operational	Bagamati-PPSU	0	0	5480	5480	5480
10	Operational	Bagamati-PRTA	0	0	6700	6700	6600
11	Machinery & Equipment	Bagamati-PRTA	0	0	1600	1600	1600
12	Operational	Gandaki-PPSU	0	0	6529	6529	6529
13	Machinery & Equipment	Gandaki-PPSU	0	0	1700	1700	1700
14	Operational	Gandaki-PRTA	1	1850	0	0	1850
15	Operational	Lumbini-PPSU	0	0	5483	5483	5483
16	Operational	Lumbini-PRTA	0	0	4422	4422	4422
17	Machinery & Equipment	Lumbini-PRTA	0	0	600	600	600
18	Operational	Karnali-PPSU	0	0	3785	3785	3785
19	Machinery & Equipment	Karnali-PPSU	0	0	500	500	500
20	Operational	Karnali-PRTA	0	0	5930	5930	5930
21	Machinery & Equipment	Karnali-PRTA	0	0	1000	1000	1000
22	Operational	Sudurpashchim-PPSU			4632	4632	4632
23	Operational	Sudurpashchim-PRTA	0	0	4982	4982	4982
24	Machinery & Equipment	Sudurpashchim-PRTA	1000	1000	0	0	1000