



STRENGTHENING VOICES FOR BETTER GOVERNANCE

Institutionalizing Civic Engagement & Accountability in Nepal

WHAT IS THIS INITIATIVE?

A flagship initiative under PLGSP aimed at strengthening citizen–state engagement by institutionalizing civic engagement and accountability mechanisms across local governments.

It focuses on transforming constitutional commitments into real, functional governance practices by embedding participation, transparency, and accountability into everyday decision-making.

WHY CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MATTERS



Strengthens trust between citizens and government



Ensures inclusive and participatory decision-making



Improves service delivery based on real community needs



Enhances transparency and accountability



Empowers women, Dalits, indigenous communities, youth, and marginalized groups

KEY ACTIVITIES

Community Mobilization

Engagement through Tole Bikas Samitis

Ward-level dialogues with youth, women, and marginalized groups

Simulation exercises to simplify planning processes

Legal & Institutional Strengthening

Development of Civic Engagement Handbook/Manual

Support for local laws, procedures, and guidelines

Embedding civic engagement into municipal systems

Institutionalizing Accountability Tools

Regular Public Hearings and Social Audits

Participatory planning and budgeting

Citizen feedback and grievance systems

Civic Engagement Platforms

Multi-stakeholder platforms linking:

Local governments
Civil society organizations
Community representatives

Continuous dialogue on:

Service delivery
Budget transparency
Local priorities

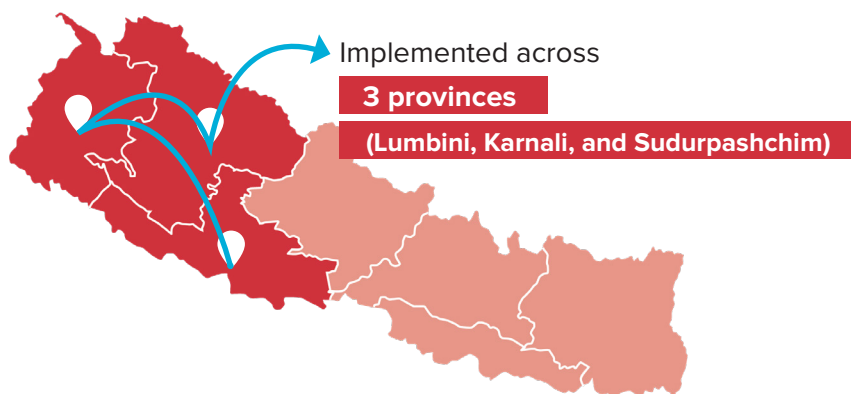
Strengthening Feedback Loops

Establishment of Commitment Compliance Monitoring Mechanisms

Ensuring citizen inputs → actual policy and service improvements

ACCOUNTABILITY IS THE BACKBONE OF DEMOCRACY

WHERE IS IT BEING IMPLEMENTED?



HOW IT WORKS (APPROACH)



EXPECTED RESULTS

- Institutionalized civic engagement systems
- Stronger local accountability mechanisms
- Improved LISA/LGPAS performance
- Enhanced citizen trust and participation
- Inclusive governance benefiting all communities

KEY PARTNERS

- NARMIN & MUAN
- PRTAs & PPSUs
- Civil Society Organizations

THE VISION

A responsive, inclusive, and accountable federal system where citizens are not just beneficiaries—but active decision-makers

