







Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan (CERP) of Kankai River System



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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AKC	:	Agriculture Knowledge Center
ANR	:	Assisted Natural Regeneration
BRCRN	:	Building a Resilient Churia Region in Nepal
CBFMG	•	Community Based Forest Management Groups
CBO	:	Community Based Organization
CBS	•	Central Bureau of Statistics
CCA	•	Climate Change Adaptation
CCM	:	Climate Change Mitigation
CERP	•	Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan
CE	•	Community Forest
	•	Community Forest Licer Croup
	•	Climate Desiliant Land Llas Diaming
	:	Climate Resilient Land Use Planning
	:	Deforestation and Forest Degradation
DFO	:	Division Forest Office
DHM	:	Department of Hydrology and Meteorology
DoS	:	Department of Survey
DRR	:	Disaster Risk Reduction
EIA	:	Environment Impact Assessment
FFS	:	Farmer Field Schools
FGD	:	Focus Group Discussion
FOP	:	Forest Operational Plan
FPIC	:	Free, Prior and Informed Consent
GESI	:	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
ha	:	hectare
ICIMOD	:	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development
IEE	:	Initial Environmental Examination
IP	•	Indigenous People
 IPacks	•	Intervention Packages
IPM	:	Integrated Pest Management
Km	•	Kilometer
	:	Local Resource Person
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	•	Multi Criteria Analysis Ministry of Founds and Fraingmont
MOFE	:	Ministry of Forests and Environment
PCTMCDB	:	President Chure Terai Madhesh Conservation Development Board
PCIMCMMP	:	President Chure Terai Madhesh Conservation and Management Master
		Plan
PPMU	:	Provincial Project Management Unit
RS	:	River System
SDFO	:	Sub-division Forest Office
SDG	:	Sustainable Development Goals
SFM	:	Sustainable Forest Management
SNRM	:	Sustainable Natural Resource Management
TOF	:	Training of Facilitators
VDC	:	Village Development Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The project entitled "Building a Resilient Churia Region in Nepal (BRCRN)" aims to promote widespread adoption of climate-resilient land use practices; confront the challenges of deforestation and forest degradation (D&FD); better maintain the forest ecosystem in the Chure hills; and build resilience to climate-induced hazards by linking the Chure hills, Bhavar and Terai. BRCRN has adopted the river system-based approach and follows boundaries earlier identified and delineated by President Chure Terai Madhesh Conservation and Management Master Plan 2017. The said master plan projected integrated conservation plan on the basis of river systems. The Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan (CERP) is prepared to foster Climate Resilient Sustainable Natural Resource Management (CR-SNRM) in the river system so that this CERP will be launched to implement the concept of upstream-downstream linkage based on perspectives of the ecosystem services. The CERP process has followed participatory rural development planning approach including civil society organizations (CSOs), community-based organizations (CBOs), women lead organization, and groups, and government entities at different levels. It is based on 'Theory of change' approach integrating problem and solution tree analysis that explains how a given intervention, or set of interventions, is expected to lead to specific development change, drawing on a causal linkage based on available evidence. From problem and solution tree analysis the main problems along with their causes and effects are recorded, to come up with clear and manageable goals and the strategies to combat them. There are two main stages to this process: (1) the identification of negative aspects of existing situations (or key challenges) in the form of problem trees, and (2) the change of the problems into objectives leading to solution trees showing potential solutions or strategies that respond to the main drivers and underlying causes. In addition, the integrated and gender-specific approach was adopted during the process to ensure gender equality and women empowerment in sustainable natural resource management. The integrated approach adopted gender-inclusive actions such as ensuring equal participation, gender prospect in problem-solution analysis, and ensuring participation of women lead organizations in the consultation workshops. However, due to the limited involvement of women in the integrated approach, a gender-specific approach was adopted, and a separate study focusing only on women and women lead organizations was conducted during the process. In addition, the approach adopted particular research tools such as seasonal calendars, problem and solution community workshops, and focus group discussions among women, Dalits, IPs, women, and other marginalized communities. Also, the consultation process includes a consultation with women and women lead organizations.

Mai river also known as Kankai is the perennial river originated in Mahabharat range of northern llam. It is extended over 26.408626° to 26.865819°N and 87.715315° to 87.963366°E. The river system faces rapid urbanization with the annual rate of 13.4% per year from 2000 to 2019. It appears that the total forest area decreased by 138.5 ha at the annual rate of 0.03% during these 19 years. The ecosystem degraded areas termed as "hotspot" areas are identified initially by spatial analysis of 16 different variables from secondary spatial data sources. The variables were categorized into adaptation and mitigation themes and Geographical Information System (GIS) based Multi-Criteria Analysis (MCA) was used to identify preliminary hotspot areas. The maps generated from spatial analysis were taken to problem and solution workshops that took place at the local level. Participants from Community Based Organizations (CBOs) user groups- with a focus on women, indigenous people, poor and Dalit (community and collaborative forest user groups, farmer groups, and climate-induced disaster management groups, soil and water conservation groups) as well as government organizations (forest sub-division offices and local government at community level) were represented in the workshops. Identification of key drivers, problem analysis, solution analysis, and hotspot map delineation were done in two thematic groups of climate change adaptation and mitigation. The mapped hotspot locations were verified/updated in workshops and visited-verified in the field followed by discussions with the local communities. Additional two-day expert planning workshop in the river system discussed and validated the findings, focusing on identifying drivers and underlying causes of the two thematic problems.

Deforestation and forest degradation are related to climate change and pose threats to biodiversity and livelihood of forest dependent local communities. Forest degradation relates to loss of biomass (carbon) and reduction in the capacity of forests to produce ecosystem services on longer terms. The findings from local stakeholder and expert consultations indicate that unsustainable/illegal harvesting of forest products, forest fire, open/uncontrolled grazing, adopting inappropriate cropping systems, encroachment of forestlands, ineffective forest management practices and infrastructure development are major drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in Kankai river system. Climate-led hazards like erosion/landslide and flood are other drivers contributing to forest loss and degradation. These drivers are the results of several underlying causes- high forest resource dependency; poverty and limited livelihood opportunities available to local communities; ineffective forestry sector governance; weak law enforcement; ineffective sustainable forest management; financial and human resource constraints in community based forest user groups and forest offices; and weak coordination and cooperation among concerned agencies that have led to such degradations in this river system.

Climate induced disaster and climate impact on agriculture productivity are two key challenges representing vulnerable ecosystem and community in the river system. Flood, erosion/landslide, and weak disaster risk management are major drivers, and are triggered by both natural and anthropogenic factors. Inappropriate land use practices like cultivation in slopy areas more than 30 degree, forest degradation, unplanned and unregulated road construction, and unmanaged riverbed material excavation are main human-induced causes. Heavy/erratic rainfalls, steep slopes and other topographic conditions are major natural causes. Climate stress on agriculture productivity has direct impact on people's livelihood especially women, elderly and children through low family income and food insecurity. It eventually makes forest ecosystem vulnerable through increased burgeoning pressure on forest resources. The major drivers identified are inadequate farm skills and financial resources; pests and diseases; insufficient irrigation; soil quality degradation; and loss and damage of agricultural lands and crops.

The strategic actions identified to reduce deforestation and forest degradation include reducing forest dependency by addressing poverty and alternative livelihood issues; promoting agroforestry, livestock management and private forestry; strengthening forest fire control system; controlling open grazing; improving law enforcement and overall forestry sector governance; promoting sustainable forest management; controlling further encroachment of forestlands; and capacity enhancement of user groups and government forestry staffs. Afforestation and reforestation activities are proposed to enhance forest density and species richness for improving ecosystem services. One of the important aspects of enhancing adaptation/resilience of ecosystem and community would be climate resilient farming practices and enhancing agricultural productivity. Increase in agriculture productivity will improve livelihood of small holding farmers and at the same time, it will decrease dependency on nearby forest resources. Strategic actions proposed for disaster risk reduction are landslide treatment, erosion control, riverbank stabilization and strengthening disaster risk management. In addition, the focus is also on enhancing gender inclusive governance to mainstream women, Dalits, indigenous people, and marginalized communities in the implementation of ecosystem restoration plans for the river system.

Based on the activities and key results identified from local stakeholder workshops, via problem tree and solution tree analysis, six intervention packages (IPacks) have been developed. This CERP only covers those key results and IPacks that correspond to local level interventions. CERP brings out issues on a number of vital areas of interventions that can take place at national level such asresolution of land tenure issues; and interventions to regulate infrastructure development in forest area, however does not suggest specific interventions as guided by CERP manual. Feasibility analysis is used to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the IPacks where risks and obstacles to implementation of each IPacks were assessed. Safeguard analysis is done to identify social and environmental risks or threats, as well as to identify where CERP interventions can contribute to significant social or environmental co-benefits. The measures to mitigate risks and enhance benefits are also assessed. Budget plan and monitoring protocol for CERP are also prepared adopting several matrixes. However, geographic focus of activities is not considered as a primary criterion for activity grouping during IPack formulation.

The IPacks developed mainly focused on reducing deforestation and forest degradation; enhancing adaptation/resilience of vulnerable ecosystem and local communities; raising awareness and enhancing capacity of CBOs and government staffs; and integrating gender and social equity issues. The IPacks provide adaptation and mitigation activities for forest management and subsequent carbon enhancement; climate resilient agriculture and land use practices; and reducing ecosystem and community vulnerability to climate-induced disasters. Since the upstream is not protected, the downstream people are facing serious problems of siltation in their private lands and loss of their properties and hence CERP activities are designed with focus on upstream-downstream linkages based on perspectives of the ecosystem services. The activities such as agroforestry, enhancing forest cover (enrichment plantation/assisted natural regeneration in forests of Chure and Bhavar), gulley control, landslide treatment, and climate resilient land use practices to build resilience of smallholder farmers against climate change impacts in upstream are intended to enhance resilience against climate-induced soil erosion, reduce runoff and enhance infiltration, thus reducing risks related to sedimentation and flooding in downstream areas. Riparian plantation is proposed at midstream and downstream to enhance tree cover, as well as riverbank stabilization together with embankments and bioengineering. Majority of the woodlots development and climate resilient agriculture projects are concentrated at downstream. These projects are believed to reduce pressure on remaining upstream forests and hence improve resilience to climate change impacts. Reducing rate of deforestation and forest degradation in Chure and Bhavar, and enhancing tree cover in downstream will produce important climate change mitigation benefits while also preserving and enhancing vital ecosystem services that are essential to the resilience of communities (linking both upstream and downstream) throughout the river system.

CHAPTER I : INTRODUCTION TO CRITICAL ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PLAN

I.I Background

The project entitled "Building a Resilient Churia Region in Nepal (BRCRN)" is implemented in 26 critical river systems (RS) in the southeast region of Nepal, covering parts of Provinces I, Madhesh and Bagmati. The project will be linking the Chure hills, Bhavar and Terai, and aims to promote widespread adoption of climate-resilient land use practices, confront the challenges of deforestation and forest degradation (D&FD), better maintain the forest ecosystem in the Chure hills, and build resilience to climate-induced hazards.

The Chure Hill is an ecologically highly sensitive and risk-prone landscape due to complex geology, tectonics, climate, hydrology, and biodiversity. Ecologically Churia is an integral part of Terai, thus, it should be considered as a landscape. Watershed level institution building and its well-functioning including upstream and downstream stakeholders can contribute in conservation and management of upstream watershed resources. This CERP has been planned in a way which ensures protection of upstream areas and hence downstream will have perpetuated ecosystem services on longer terms. The region is particularly vulnerable to erosion, landslides, and flooding due to ongoing tectonic processes, fragile geology, the material composition of the hills, and prolonged and intense rainfall during monsoon (Ghimire, 2011). A changing climate is further contributing to landslides, erosion, and flash flooding in the hills. These processes in the hills have shaped the active geomorphological process in the Bhavar region through aggradation and transportation of sediments. Over the last half-century, Bhavar have undergone tremendous changes in demography, land use, settlement and urbanization, and road infrastructures, which have extremely altered the landscape. Moreover, haphazard extraction of the riverbed material has altered the geomorphic processes in the Bhavar (Dahal & Paudyal, 2022). Higher sediment yield in Chure hill and alteration of geomorphological processes in Bhavar have profound impact on the morphology of the river and related disaster in the downstream area of Terai flood plain (Ghimire, 2020). The agricultural land of Bhavar and Terai are already in stress of climate variability, further degrading through compounding effects of upstream resource destruction.

In these connections, Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan (CERP) is prepared to foster Climate Resilient Sustainable Natural Resource Management (CR-SNRM) in the river system. CERP activities are designed with focus on upstream-downstream linkages based on perspectives of the ecosystem services The CERP has followed a participatory rural development planning approach including civil society organizations (CSOs), community-based organizations (CBOs) and government entities at different levels. These methodology and process is based on international best practices, including the 'Theory of change' approach to planning, implementation, monitoring & evaluation and impact assessment in different time intervals.



⁽Source: CERP manual, 2021)

Figure I: Establishing casual linkages with theory of change analysis

The "Theory of change" approach explains how a given intervention, or set of interventions, is expected to lead to specific development change, drawing on a causal linkage based on available evidence. It includes an understanding of the desired activities, inputs, outputs, outcomes and impacts of the project as well as the current situations and dynamics including their incentives for change.

1.2 River System Concept: Holistic Approach of Integrated Watershed Management

The President Chure Terai Madhesh Conservation and Management Master Plan 2017 projected integrated conservation plan based on river systems.





A river system is a land mass of drainage basin where all river and its tributaries meet to have a common outlet. BRCRN follows the river system boundaries earlier identified and delineated by President Chure Terai Madhesh Conservation and Management Master Plan (PCTMCDB 2017). It is a part of watershed system that should ideally follow hydrological boundary, however, river system delineation in PCTMCMMP also considers land mass as a management unit that is delineated based on the geographical and socio-ecological variability.

Kankai river system can be divided into three zones based on the landform and river geomorphic behaviors as shown in Figure 2. Sediment generated through erosion and slope failure process in the upstream cause aggradation in Bhavar region, which leads to bank scour/cut/erosion and then channel

migration. Flowing downstream, channel becomes wider and channel migration is prominent in Terai region due to the loose and unconsolidated sediment in river bank.

I.3 Ecosystem Restoration

An ecosystem is a dynamic complex of plant, animal and micro-organism communities and their nonliving environment interacting as a functional unit. Ecosystem degradation is a negative trend in ecosystem condition, caused by direct or indirect human-induced processes including anthropogenic climate change, expressed as long-term reduction or loss of at least one of the following: biological productivity, ecological integrity, or value to humans.

Ecosystem restoration is any intentional activities that accelerate the recovery of degraded, damaged, or destroyed functional services that an ecosystem provides. The restoration planning requires multidimensional observation and analysis of core problems followed by a multi-stakeholder engagement and lead decision making process. Relating ecosystem services with relevant stakeholders for their perceptions of the services is vital for informed decision making about land use changes and resource management.

To design restoration practices effectively, land use and change information needs to be provided to the key stakeholders. The tools presented herein help trainee participants to understand the land cover data preparation process, data collection using satellite imageries, classifying the land cover types, spatially identify land use/land cover changes and map them to have a basic understanding of land cover change dynamics at river system levels.

In fact, CERP focuses on river system scale intervention planning to achieve ecosystem restoration at landscape level. Moreover, the CERP is guided by and perfectly in-line with the principles of ecosystem restoration of United Nations decade 2021-2030 that highlights following 10 principles that underpin ecosystem restoration:

- Ecosystem restoration contributes to the UN SDGs and goals of Rio conventions.
- Ecosystem restoration promotes inclusive and participatory governance, social fairness and equity from the start and throughout the process and outcomes.
- Ecosystem restoration includes a continuum of restorative activities.
- Ecosystem restoration aims to achieve the highest level of recovery for biodiversity, ecosystem health, integrity, and human wellbeing.
- Ecosystem restoration addresses the direct and indirect causes (drivers) of ecosystem degradation.
- Ecosystem restoration promotes knowledge generation and exchange throughout the process.
- Ecosystem restoration is based on well-defined goals.
- Ecosystem restoration is tailored to the local ecological, cultural and socio-economic contexts, while considering larger landscape.
- Ecosystem restoration includes monitoring, evaluation and adaptive management throughout and beyond the lifetime of project.
- Ecosystem restoration is enabled by policies and measures that promote its long term progress, replication and scaling-up.

I.4 Rationale of CERP

Most part of Churia is covered by forests while some parts are inhabited and cultivated. Increasing human interferences and expanding infrastructures coupled with climate vagaries on top of its own fragile-composition are causing serious threats to this region and downstream also. It has varying

elevation, climate and vegetation from one to another part. Churia (upstream) area has been considered to be very important for conservation to protect downstream Terai and its agriculture land. CERP has been formulated in a way which implements the concept of upstream-downstream linkage based on perspectives of the ecosystem services. The development of CERPs will contribute to the provision of climate-informed extension and advisory services. It ensures that adaptation to climate change (CC) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) has been integrated into provincial and local development planning. The project achieves this through promoting and integration of climate resilient land use practices in agriculture and forestry, subsequently integrating them into local decision-making processes. This will ultimately guide the adoption of prioritized low-carbon and climate resilient – Sustainable Natural Resource Management.

The goal is that government and development partners together improve local and provincial service delivery through river system interventions in CR-SNRM sector. The CERP is also the basis for monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of ecosystem restoration actions at the landscape scale as well as outreach and targeted budgeting on local level. Additionally, the data generated in the annual follow-up of the CERP intervention packages, and their success or failure will inform government reporting on climate change related international commitments and instruments. The reports on the cumulative impacts of the CERPs should be a part of the country's overall Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) reporting on land use change and greenhouse gas emissions at national scale.

CERP is envisioned at a river system scale to foster upstream-midstream-downstream connectivity by analyzing complex inter-linkage of causes and effect dynamics of climate vulnerability over the specific geographic regions and interventions to help build the climate resilience with interlinked and cascading impact from head to tail of the river systems. In this sense, it adopts a holistic integrated watershed management approach.

CHAPTER 2 : METHODOLOGY AND THE PROCESS

2.1 CERP Development Phase

Following nine steps were followed during the CERP development phases:





Figure 3: Steps of spatial analysis for CERP development

2.2 Spatial Planning as a Base for CERP

Mapping and spatial analysis have a vital role in the CERP development process. Maps and spatial analysis are generated by a combination of geospatial tools (i.e. GIS, Remote Sensing), desk-based research and fieldwork. Relevant analogue maps and data prepared by national and international agencies were collected and reviewed for the inclusion of the information in the digital spatial data as well as integration in the GIS.

Themes	Parameters Data types Sources		Sources	Processing methods	
	Deforested area Forest loss (2000- 2020)		Global Forest Watch data.globalforestwatc h.org	 Revised & update from temporal Google earth images 	
	Degraded forest	Open forest (Canopy <20%)	Sentinel image, 2021	 NDVI and supervised classification Inputs, revised & update from temporal Google earth images 	
	Forest fire	Fire incident	NASA's Website (https://firms.modaps. eosdis.nasa.gov)	 Overlay analysis on temporal GE images and draw tentative burnt area which will verify during participatory workshops 	
Climate mitigation	Potential enhancement area	Private land/Public land forest (Proxy indictors)	Cultivated land & Riverbed (DoS, 1996)	 Abandoned agricultural land (Cultivated land in the 1990's/2000's and barren/bushes in 2020's): Google earth overlay & Mapping Abandoned river/reclaim (River in 1990's/2000's and other land use in 2020's): Google earth overlay & Mapping 	
	Firewood consumption	rewood Household using firewood for C cooking C		 Household using firewood attributed in then VDCs and transferred into RS 	
	Landslide on forest area	Landslide	PCTMCDB (TU- CDG, 2021)	- Landslide distribution in forest	
	Road network on Chure hillslope	Road network on Chure hillslope	PCTMCDMP (PCTMCDB, 2016)	- Updated form Google earth	
	Agricultural land in slope area	Agricultural land Slope (Digital elevation model)	ALOS DEM (12.5m) (asf.alaska.edu)		
Climate adaptation	Agricultural land exposed to landslide hazard	Landslide hazard	PCTMCDB (TU- CDG, 2021)	Quadu cashair	
	Agricultural land exposed to Flood hazard	Flood hazard	PCTMCMMP (PCTMCDB, 2016)	Over lay allalysis	
	Land capability	Land capability	Soil and Terrain Database (SOTER) (FAO, 2009)		

Table 1: Data types, acquisition and their processing methods

Themes	Parameters	Data types	Sources	Processing methods	
	Landslide hazard	Landslide hazard	PCTMCDB (TU- CDG, 2021)	Overlay analysis	
	Flood hazard	Flood hazard	PCTMCDMP (PCTMCDB, 2016)	Flood hazard is revised and updated based on recent geomorphic change in flood plain using the temporal images of GE	
	Settlement exposed to landslide hazard	Settlement	Land cover, 2015 (PCTMCDB, 2016)		
	Settlement exposed to flood hazard	Settlement	Land cover, 2015 (PCTMCDB, 2016)	Overlay analysis	
	Wetland/water recharge	Wetland/water recharge	Wetland (DoS, 1996 & PCTMCDB, 2016)		
	House structure			Spatial representation was created on	
	Ethnicity	Indices	CBS 2011	then VDCs and transferred into river	
	Female literacy (Gender)	Indices		systems	

CERP is the core process of the project in identifying the problems and solutions that lead to project interventions (activities). The CERP objectives were to balance both mitigation and adaptation for climate resilience building of local vulnerable communities. Hence, mitigation and adaptation potentials of the project are considered as primary entry points for MCA to identify hotspot sites and considered as major themes. Mitigation potential is addressed through identifying areas (hotspots) where BRCRN interventions have potential to reduce emissions and enhance the subsequent carbon stock. Similarly, adaptation potentials are addressed through identifying areas (hotspots) where BRCRN interventions have potential to address vulnerable ecosystems and vulnerable local communities.

Following graphics demonstrate adaptation and mitigation logic adopted for which careful choice of themes, variables, process and results were:



Figure 4: Multi-criteria analysis

2.3 Local Stakeholder Consultation

2.3.1 Selection of Participants

The selection process of participants for the two consecutive workshops i.e. Problem Analysis and Solution Analysis was vital for the validity and quality of CERP process. The selection process was carried out in collaboration with Division Forest Office (DFO) of Ilam and Jhapa district. The selection process prioritized to include women and women lead organizations including Indigenous Peoples and their institutions at the river system level. The DFOs informed respective sub-division offices to support in selecting participants, who are well informed about the issues of River System. Similarly, the study team coordinated with local government (*Palikas* and wards) to trace out the representatives who are directly associated with the agriculture and disaster issues. The participants are from Sub-division Forest Office, Community Forest User Groups, Farmers Group, River Management Committee, Federation of Nepali Journalists, Nepal Red Cross Society, Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities, Ratuwamai Afforestation Project, Disaster Management Committee, School Management Committee, Shivasatakshi Municipality Office and other local Community Based Organizations (CBOs) while considering social inclusion i.e. representatives from women, poor, Indigenous Peoples (IPs) and Dalits.

2.3.2 Workshop

Workshops were conducted at three locations for Kankai river system- upstream, midstream and downstream. The two-day workshop was organized at upstream section on 11 and 12 April 2022. The workshop venue was Namuna CFUG Office hall at Danabari, Mai Municipality-2, Jhapa. There were 42 participants in total. Among the participants, 17 were from IP groups and altogether 9 females and 33 males. The workshop for midstream section was organized on 24 and 25 April 2022. The workshop venue was Gaide CFUG Office hall at Maidhar, Shivasatakshi-10, Jhapa. There were 26 participants in total. Among the participants, 5 were from IP groups and altogether 7 females and 19 males. The workshop for downstream section was organized at two locations. It was difficult in gathering participants from either side of Kankai river at single location due to lack of bridge. A one day workshop was organized in each location at downstream. A workshop was organized on 23rd June 2022 at Janata Chowk, Shivasatakshi-4, Jhapa in Ward Office hall. There were 39 participants in total. Among the participants, 17 were from IP groups and altogether 10 females and 29 males. The other workshop was organized on 24th June 2022 at Kamatoli, Jhapa Rural Municipality, Jhapa in the hall of Taghandubba Health Post. There were 20 male participants in total. Among the participants, 6 were from IP groups (Annex 2).

The day one of the workshop was focused to prepare problem tree while day two was dedicated to develop solution tree as per the problem tree developed in day one.

A. Problem Analysis (Day One)

The workshop facilitators firstly briefed about introduction of the BRCRN and the objectives of the workshop. This session was followed by the discussion on the topics of 'Climate Change Mitigation' and 'Climate Change Adaptation'. The aim



of this session was to bring common understanding among the participants, facilitators regarding the

concept of 'Climate Change Mitigation' and 'Climate Change Adaptation' that would be instrumental to bring clear, and precise local issues associated with River System. This was robust basis to design intervention packages for the BRCRN.

The participants were divided into two groups viz. 'Climate Change Mitigation (CCM)' and 'Climate Change Adaptation-(CCA). Each group nominated their spokespersons for the documentation of thematic issues and women were encouraged to be a spokesperson. Adding to this, CCM group was requested to discuss on the issues of deforestation, forests degradation and enhancement activities whereas CCA group was focused on the issues of agriculture and disaster. Both the groups were oriented on how problem and solution trees were to be formulated. They were asked to identify the key problem, direct and underlying causes of the problem and impacts of problem. The participants were also oriented about mapping of hotspots for interventions. For this map of the river system, overlaying boundary and satellite image were displayed through projector. Printed maps were also used for orientation. Participants were oriented about the features of maps like forest area, cultivated area, river/streams, roads etc.

All issues of four thematic areas (deforestation, forest degradation, agriculture and disaster) were documented in the meta cards. Meta cards were displayed on the walls of the workshop hall in a sequence of key problem/challenge at the top, the drivers in the middle and then meta cards with underlying causes at the bottom to develop a problem tree.

• Group Exchange

The problem trees prepared by each groups were displayed and group exchange was done for verification and inputs. The spokespersons of respective CCM and CCA groups were assigned to present their problem trees. During the presentation, CCM groups received inputs from participants of CCA groups and vice versa. This process provided ample space to refine the local issues on case to case basis mutually.



B. Solution Analysis (Day Two)

On the second day, same participants were asked to remain in their respective groups of CCM and CCA. As informed them on the day before each group was asked to prescribe solutions of respective issues identified in problem analysis. They were asked to identify activities against problems, output of the activities, outcomes and finally impacts. The facilitators played same role as in problem analysis. All solutions were documented in the meta cards and displayed for the group exchange. Meta card with outcomes was pasted at the top followed by outputs and activities at the bottom to develop a solution tree.

• Group Exchange

The group exchange processes were carried out same as in Day One.

2.3.3 Identifying and Mapping of Hotspots

In the problem analysis day, the map of River System was displayed in both hardcopy and power point presentation including interactive Google Earth Images and carried out participatory discussion to identify hotspots of the respective River System (RS). These participatory discussions were instrumental to trace out the hotspots in terms of their severity, which would be basis for designing intervention packages for the BRCRN project with reference to climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation discussed in the problem analysis and solution analysis. The study team noted the name and physical location of the hotspots identified by the participants for field verification.

2.3.4 Field Visit and Focus Group Discussions (FGDs)

The study team went to field after the two-day workshops to verify identified hotspots. Maps and checklists were used for field verifications of hotspots. The study team had also conducted key informants interview to understand the depth of the problems in the respective hotspots. The study team discussed with local people on the major problems of the hotspots and rationale interventions to address the problems along with the local safeguard information. Indigenous people (IPs), Dalits social groups, and women were focused in consultations for inclusiveness, customary practices, norms, values and existing indigenous institutions, their roles in community and encourage them for their meaningful participation and insist them to be vocal on their problems in the face of climate change mitigation and climate change adaptation. The study team documented all the issues raised in field consultations, which would be reflected in the CERP.

2.4 Expert Planning Workshop

2.4.1 Expert Planning Workshop Participants

The experts from Division Forest Offices, Sub-division Forest Offices from respective river systems, Province Forest Directorate and Agriculture Knowledge Center participated in the two-day workshops. Experts were invited in collaboration with BRCRN-PPMU and FAO-TA and Province ministries. All participants were informed though formal letter from Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Forest, Environment and Soil Conservation.

2.4.2 Workshop

The two-day expert planning workshop was conducted at Birtamod of Jhapa district on 16 and 17 August 2022. The workshop was conducted for Ratuwa, Kankai, Biring and Mechi river systems of Jhapa and Illam district. The workshop was intended to validate the preliminary CERPs prepared from local stakeholder consultations. In the workshop, BRCRN-PPMU firstly briefed about introduction of the BRCRN project and objectives of the study. This session also included study process followed. In the workshop, detailed outcome derived from problem analysis, solution analysis and hotspot verification were shared. Issue related with deforestation, forest degradation, agriculture and disaster raised in local stakeholder workshops were shared with respective experts. Problem tree, Solution tree, Hotspot map, intervention packages, activities, safeguard analysis matrix, benefit enhancement activities were shared and discussed/verified in the workshop for individual river system. Comments and suggestions collected from the workshops are incorporated in relevant sections for improvement of the Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan.

CHAPTER 3 : INTRODUCTION TO KANKAI RIVER SYSTEM

3.1 Physiography, Land Cover and Hydrology

Mai river also known as Kankai is the perennial river originated in Mahabharat range of northern Ilam. However, the delineation of Kankai river system shows its northern boundary lies just upstream to Main Boundary Thrust. It is extended over 26.408626° to 26.865819°N and 87.715315° to 87.963366°E.



Figure 5: Location of Kankai river system

The geology of RS can be divided into Lesser Himalaya group, Siwalik group (Lower, Middle and Upper Siwalik) and Terai-Quaternary group based on the rock types and their characteristics. Also, Upper Siwalik can be differentiated into lower and upper member. The upper member is composed of poorly-sorted, matrix-supported boulder-sized, loose conglomerates and lenses of sands. Sandstone boulders are derived from the Siwalik Group itself. Whereas, lower member contains well-sorted, clast-supported, cobble-pebble-sized conglomerates (Ulak, 2016). Almost clasts of conglomerate are from the Lesser Himalayan terrain. Likewise, thick-bedded, coarse- to very coarse-grained, friable, "pepper and salt" sandstone with pebbly sandstone. Moreover, medium- to coarse-grained, grey sandstone alternates with bioturbated, variegated to dark grey mudstone are privilege on upper member of lower Siwalik. Similarly, lower member of Lower Siwalik composed of fine-grained, calcareous, greenish-grey sandstone interbeds with bioturbated, variegated mudstone.

The Main Frontal Thrust (MFT), Mai Khola Thrust, Main Boundary Thrust (MBT), and Main Central Thrust (MCT) together with several folds, faults and joints characterize the geomorphic process in RS.



Figure 6: Geology of Kankai river system

Over last 19 years from 2000 to 2019, the forest¹ and cultivation area are decreased by 138.8 ha and 147.6 ha at the annual rate of 0.03% and 0.02% respectively. Erosion and landslide are responsible for forest loss in Chure hills, but such loss is minimum. Nonetheless, clear felling under the management plan of Ratuwamai Plantation Project has contributed to decrease in the forest cover within the river system.

During, 2000 to 2019, built-up area has been expanded by 401.1 ha at the annual rate of 13.4 %. Rapid growth is observed along the East-West highway, especially in and around of Kerkha, Jhiljhile, Dudhe, Gaide and Surunga. The decrease in availability of surface water can be attributed to water diversion for Mai Khola hydropower. Moreover, climate change impact on ground water availability is already evidential which might further decline in near future (Silwal et al., 2020).

	2000		2019		Change area	Rate of	
Land cover	Area (ha)	Percentage (%)	Area (ha)	Percentage (%)	(ha)	Change (%/yr)	
Built-up	40.5	0.1	441.5	0.7	401.1	13.40	
Cultivation	35836.0	57.2	35688.4	57.0	-147.6	-0.02	
Forest	22491.1	35.9	22352.6	35.7	-138.5	-0.03	
Grassland	681.9	1.1	704.8	1.1	22.9	0.17	
Water bodies	916.9	1.5	583.0	0.9	-333.9	-2.36	
Riverbed	2630.8	4.2	2826.9	4.5	196.1	0.38	

Table 2: Land cover change in Kankai river system

Source: (ICIMOD & FRTC, 2021)

The flood frequency analysis using Log Normal method on data of Mainachuli gauging station resulted the following discharge (Pudasaini et al., 2022):

Return Period	Discharge (m ³ /s)
(year)	Mainachuli
2	3443.75
10	6783.83
25	8693.45
50	10204.32
100	11782.99
200	13448.52
1000	17649.30

¹ Land with tree crown cover of more that 10 percent and area covering more than 0.5 ha, with minimum height of the trees to be 5 m at maturity and in-situ conditions. The land may consist either of closed forest formations where trees of various storied and undergrowth cover a high proportion of the ground, or of open forest formations with a continuous vegetation cover in which tree crown cover exceeds 10 percent.

3.2 Climatic Conditions

The RS has subtropical climate with dry season (from October to May) and rainy season (from June to September). The annual average temperature is 24.6°C, ranging from 18.4° C in the coldest month to 30.6° C in the hottest month. The temperature rises from March to June-July while it decreases from October to January. The average annual rainfall is 2041.6 mm (DHM, 2021).

Station	Average long term rainfall (mm)				
	Annual	Monsoon	Maximum 24 hours		
Soktim Tea E	2587.4	2141.7	278.1		
Gaide (Kankai)	2696.9	2194.1	437		

Table 3: Rainfall distribution in Kankai RS

Source: DHM, 2021

The climate change scenarios analysis performed for National Adaptation Plan (NAP) process indicated that average annual mean temperature of Jhapa district is likely to rise, Representative Concentration Pathway (RCP) 4.5 projected that increased by 0.83°C and 1.03°C in medium-term and long term respectively. The highest rates of mean temperature increase are expected for the post-monsoon season followed by the winter season (MoFE, 2019). Raising temperature further will create the water stress during the dry months through decreasing the agricultural production and thereby increasing food insecurity in one way or the other.

Table 4: Climate change scenario in Kankai RS

	District	٥C		ge (⁰C)			
		RCP 4.5			RCP	RCP 8.5	
Temperature		Reference Period (1981-2010)	Medium Term (2016-2045)	Long Term (2036- 2065)	Medium Term (2016-2045)	Long Term (2036- 2065)	
	Jhapa	24.2	0.83	1.03	24.2	1.18	
		mm		ge (%)			
		RCP 4.5			RCP 8.5		
Precipitation		Reference Period	Medium Term	Long Term (2036-	Medium Term	Long Term	
		(1981-2010)	(2016-2045)	2065)	(2016-2045)	(2036- 2065)	

Source: (MoFE et al., 2019)

Similarly, average annual precipitation is likely to change in both the medium-term and long-term periods. Precipitation of Jhapa district will receive 3.72% and 6.54% long term period based on RCP 4.5 and RCP 8.5 respectively.

3.3 Socio-ecological Process

The hill indigenous groups cover the major ethnic groups in the Chure-hill, whereas, mixed communities are found in Bhavar and Terai region.

More than 70.4 % of total land of Chure hill is covered by forest, accompany with 23.3% cultivated land. The Chure hillslope of the inner river (Mai) valley comprises of upper Siwalik which is very

erosive in nature. The erosion and sedimentation process together has made the valley landscape geomorphologically active. In many ways, these dynamisms have hindrance the process of mitigation and adaptation. Nevertheless, farmers are increasingly practicing multi-year cropping such as Amriso, Banana, Supari (Areca nut), Tea and Coffee. Despite of these efforts, erosion and sedimentation processes are still active. Erosion/Landslide in the uphill exaggerate debris run-out process often create the huge debris fan, causing the loss and damaged across foothill of Chure. The growths of settlement and tourism activities in and around such formed fan have contributed in increasing vulnerability.

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Figure 7: Elevation profile of Satashi Khola of Kankai RS, showing natural and social process

Kamal, Satashi and Dudhe Khola are main tributaries of Kankai, derive sediment from the adjacent Chure hill and deposit in Bhavar and Terai. These tributaries behave as meandering channel before joining to Kankai river.

Farmers in Mai valley are growing cereal crops together with animal husbandry, whereas mixed agriculture practices are existed in Bhavar region. In the downstream, farmer groups are also practicing riverbed farming for winter vegetables and fruits.



Figure 8: Elevation profile of Kankai RS, showing natural and social process

CHAPTER 4 : PROBLEM AND SOLUTION ANALYSIS

4.1 Problem Analysis

Theme I: Climate Change Mitigation

4.1.1 Drivers and Underlying Causes of Deforestation and Forest Degradation

The major challenges of the forests sector identified at Kankai River System are deforestation and forest degradation. Causes of deforestation and forest degradation are usefully separated into direct drivers and underlying causes. Drivers of D&FD are mostly associated with anthropogenic activities.

The drivers are prioritized and presented in sequential order in Table 5.

Drivers of D&FD	Underlying Causes	
Unsustainable/ illegal harvesting	Poverty and limited livelihood opportunities	Forest products being a source of income generation to poor/marginalized
	Demand-supply gap of forest products	Population growth (increased forest users); higher demand for timbers due to urban growth; Delay in harvesting and supply of forest products from CFs
	Insufficient private land forests	Small landholdings; Inadequate supply of demanded species; Discouragement in private forests due to livelihood dependency on crop farming, longer income return from private forestry and no legal provision in registration and use of forest products from private forests in unregistered lands
Forest fire	Lack of awareness	
	Carelessness from herders and forest dwellers	Throwing of cigarette butts, careless handling of fires etc.
	Intentional fire	Intentions of illegal poaching, improved forest products like forage & wild vegetables- Niguro
	Inadequate preparations for forest fire management	Inadequate skilled human resources for firefighting; Inadequate firefighting equipment in CFUGs; Inadequate management of fire lines; Inadequate efforts in removal of dry biomass accumulated in forest floor
Open and uncontrolled grazing	Inadequate fodder production in private lands	Small landholdings; Low investment capacity for other alternatives like stall feeding

 Table 5: Direct drivers and underlying causes of deforestation and forest degradation

Drivers of D&FD	Underlying Causes	
	Weak forest protection	Inadequate fencing; poor enforcement of rules and regulations
Encroachment of forestland	Population growth	Settlement expansion; Agriculture land expansion
	Poverty and limited livelihood opportunities	
	Unmanaged settlers/settlements	Inadequate efforts of government in addressing land ownership issues; Ineffective law enforcement
Ineffective forest management practices	Limited financial and technical capacity of CFUGs	Low income of CFUGs; Inadequate skill, equipment and technicians for forest management in CFUGs
	Barriers in forest enhancement	Problems associated with plantation & its protection- open grazing, riverbank cutting and cutting of saplings by fodder, firewood collectors; Expansion of invasive species (<i>Mikania micrantha</i> , <i>Mimosa</i> <i>diplotricha</i>)
	Weak governance	Declining accountability of CFUGs; Deficiency in forest sector transparency; Weak coordination and cooperation among stakeholders
Climate-led hazards	Erosion/landslide	Topography; Forest degradation in Chure; Construction of road without adopting detail engineering study and design; Heavy/erratic rainfall
	Flood	Heavy/erratic rainfall; Unmanaged excavation of riverbed materials (increased demand for construction materials)
Infrastructure development	Disproportionate population distribution	Construction of roads etc. through forest area to serve scattered settlements, market access
	Socio-cultural practices	Construction of religious and cultural sites; Customary practices; local norms and values; relationship between different religious groups etc.

Problem Analysis

The findings from local stakeholder consultations and expert consultations indicate that unsustainable/illegal harvesting of forest products, forest fire, open/uncontrolled grazing, encroachment of forestlands and infrastructure development are the major drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in Kankai River System. Climate-led hazards like erosion/landslide and flood are other drivers of forest loss and degradation. Ineffective forest management practices also contribute to forest degradation. Direct drivers of deforestation and forest degradation are the results of several underlying causes. The major underlying causes are high forest dependency; poverty and limited livelihood opportunities; ineffective forestry sector governance; weak law enforcement; lack of sustainable forest management; financial and human resource constraints in CFUGs and forest offices; and weak coordination and cooperation among concerned agencies.



Figure 9: Problem tree for deforestation

Deforestation and forest degradation are related to climate and pose threats to biodiversity and livelihood of forest dependent local communities. Deforestation refers to complete loss of forest cover. One of the major drivers is encroachment of forestlands for agriculture land and settlement expansion. The underlying causes are population growth, limited livelihood options of households and unmanaged settlers (land tenure issues) near forest areas. Nowadays, in community forests, encroachment is minimal due to regular monitoring of forests by local community forest user groups. Any expansion is limited to minor shifting of boundaries into forestland at some locations. Infrastructure development in forest area is found to be other driver of forest loss. Unplanned and unregulated opening of road networks to serve scattered settlements, religious and cultural sites etc. are other causes of forest loss. Landslide and flood triggered by both human-induced and natural factors also cause forest loss. Inappropriate land use practices are main human-induced causes; and heavy/erratic rainfalls, steep slopes and other topographic conditions are the major natural causes (Figure 9).



Figure 10: Problem tree for forest degradation

Forest degradation relates to loss of biomass (carbon) and reduction in the capacity of forests to produce ecosystem services. Unsustainable and illegal harvesting is other driver of forest degradation. Harvesting of forest products comprise felling of trees and saplings (mostly illegally) for timber and poles, firewood collection for household use and sell, and repeated and unsustainable harvest of fodder. Unemployment has motivated many people for illegal collection of timber, firewood for sale. Demand-supply gap of forest products through legal channel also motivates people for illegal and unsustainable harvest. The other important causes are unregistered lands and insufficient private land forests due to small landholdings. The forest regulation prohibits felling and sale of forest products from unregistered lands. It has demotivated local people for developing private land forest. Forest fire is other major drivers of forest degradation. It damages and hinders regeneration, seedling growth and destroys non-timber forest products under lower strata of forest-floor. It is also believed to trigger soil erosion due to the destruction of natural vegetation. Forest fire is caused either due to careless handling of fire by forest dwellers and herders or intentionally by poachers for hunting; and local communities for improved forest products like forage & wild vegetables- Niguro. The spread of forest fire has been difficult to handle due to inadequate trained human resources and firefighting equipment. Early preparations for forest fire like fire line management, removal of dry biomass are also inadequate. Open and uncontrolled grazing negatively affects regeneration and growth of seedlings and ultimately causes forest degradation. People are dependent on forests for grazing due to loss of grazing lands, inadequate fodder production in private lands and lower financial capacity to switch to stall feeding.

Ineffective forest management practice is also one of the drivers of forest degradation. It is mainly associated with institutional weakness caused by lower financial capacity and technical resources; barriers in forest enhancement; and weak forest governance due to deficiency in forest sector transparency, declining accountability, and weak coordination and cooperation among forest stakeholders. Poor financial status of CFUGs; inadequate inputs and protection of plantation sites due to open grazing, riverbank cutting and cutting of saplings by fodder, firewood collectors; and expansion of invasive species like *Mikania micrantha*, *Mimosa diplotricha* are major barriers of forest enhancement in the area (Figure 10).

Theme 2: Climate Change Adaptation

4.1.2 Drivers and Underlying Causes of Vulnerable Ecosystem and Community

Climate induced disaster and climate stress on agriculture productivity are two key challenges representing vulnerable ecosystem and community in Kankai River System. These two key issues have impacts on the ecosystem and livelihood generation through damage to natural vegetation, loss and damage of agricultural lands, loss of life and properties, low family income and food insecurity.

The drivers are prioritized and presented in sequential order in Table 6.

Table 6: Direct drivers and underlying causes of vulnerable ecosystem and community				
Drivers	Underlying Causes			
Climate Induced Disaster				
Flood	Upstream landslide and erosion	Fragile geological condition and slope terrain		
	Heavy/erratic rainfall	High intensity rainfall and continuous rainfall for several days		
	Unmanaged excavations of river bed materials	Lack of environment assessment; Higher demand of river bed materials due to urban growth		
	Inadequate drainage management	Inadequate consideration of water drainage during construction of infrastructures like road, causing inundation		
	Riverbed rise due to sedimentation			
	Riverbank encroachment	Squatter settlements, poverty, presence of political influence, inadequate efforts of government in addressing the problem		
Erosion/landslide	Topography	Fragile geological condition and slope terrain		
	Heavy/erratic rainfall	High intensity rainfall and continuous rainfall for several days		
	Forest degradation	Forest fire, open & uncontrolled grazing, unsustainable harvesting		
	Road construction without adopting engineering study and design	Use of heavy machineries in road construction		
Weak disaster risk management	Inadequate capacity and coordination	Insufficient and scattered investments; Weak coordination and collaboration at national level; Weak upstream downstream linkage		

Drivers	Underlying Causes	
	Ineffective Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) policy and planning	Low capacity of local governments in DRR planning and implementation; Less priority to disaster preparedness; lack of integrated planning for DRR
Climate Stress of	on Agriculture Productivity	
Inadequate capacity and resources	Limited farm skill and technology use	Inadequate skilled farm technicians at local level
	Low investment capacity of farmers	Inadequate promotional activities in agriculture (incentives, subsidies)
	Inadequate irrigation facilities	Degradation of wetlands/lack of conservation; Drying up of water sources; Deepening of surface water level below agriculture lands; Declining groundwater table (about 20 feet in the past to 40-45 feet at present); Destruction of irrigation infrastructures due to flood, landslide and road construction
	Limited human resources	Inadequate farm labors (youth migration for foreign employment) and skilled technicians
	Poor market access and infrastructures	Market dominated by middlemen; higher cost of production and low market price on sell; Lack of storage and processing facilities
Pests and diseases	Decline in organic content of soil	Use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides
	Use of less immune hybrid varieties	Loss or limited availability of native varieties due to lack of conservation; Inadequate technical knowledge, skill and facilities for seed selection, grading and storage
	Lack of knowledge on identification and treatments of pests and diseases	
Soil quality degradation	Low organic inputs	Insufficient compost manure due to declining livestock farming
	Use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides	Inadequate knowledge, skill and technology for compost, bio-pesticides production
	Sedimentation in farmland	Sedimentation due to flood

Drivers	Underlying Causes	
Loss and damage of agricultural lands and crops	Climate-led hazard such as flood and erosion	
	Climate impacts	Crop damage and yield loss due to heavy/erratic rainfall and other climate impacts like windstorm, hailstorm, fog/smog etc.
	Agriculture land fragmentation; land use conversion	Population growth and settlement expansion; Plotting for rise in land prices; urban growth
	Crop-depredation by wildlife in the field	

Problem Analysis

Flood, erosion/landslide, and weak disaster risk management are major drivers of climate induced disaster that enhances ecosystem and local community vulnerability. Flood and landslide have caused loss and damage of natural vegetation, agricultural land, and properties affecting local people's livelihood. Impacts of flood are associated with inundation, riverbank cutting, and channel migration. Inundation is higher in downstream region. The underlying causes among others are inadequate drainage management and riverbed rise due to sedimentation. These disasters are triggered by both natural and anthropogenic causes. Inappropriate land use practices like cultivation in slope lands, forest degradation, unplanned and unregulated road construction, and unmanaged riverbed material excavation are main human-induced causes. Heavy/erratic rainfalls, steep slopes and other topographic conditions are major natural causes. Weak disaster risk management has further exacerbated exposure to these disasters. The reasons behind this are weak coordination and collaboration among concerned sectors and ineffective DRR policy and planning. The investments in DRR are inadequate and scattered without proper planning (Figure 11).

Climate stress on agriculture productivity is the other aspect of vulnerable community. It has direct impact on people's livelihood through low family income and food insecurity. It eventually makes forest ecosystem vulnerable through increased pressure in forest resources. The major drivers are inadequate farm skills and financial resources; pests and diseases; insufficient irrigation; soil quality degradation; and loss and damage of agricultural lands and crops. Farmers have limited skill for commercial and climate resilient farming practices. There is less use of technology and equipment to enhance agriculture productivity. Irrigation facilities are not sufficient. The problems associated with irrigation are depletion of surface and groundwater sources (excess use of deep tube well); and higher cost of irrigation while using diesel operated pump sets from deep boring, low electric voltage to operate electric pump sets. Investment capacity of small farmers is low due to poor financial status. Government support is inadequate. Moreover, poor market access and infrastructures have demotivated farmers to adopt commercial agriculture. Production cost is higher compared to market price of sale of products. Market is dominated by intermediaries. Lack of farm labors due to youth migration abroad, lack of agriculture technician and inadequate promotional programs (incentives, subsidies, farm equipment support) are other problems in agriculture sector. Farmers depend on chemical fertilizers and pesticides for increasing agriculture yield. It has resulted in low organic content deteriorating soil quality. It also increases pests and diseases. Crop insects, pests and diseases are also increasing due to use of less immune hybrid varieties. Farmers use hybrid varieties due to seed

unavailability and low production from native varieties. The major crop pests and diseases among others are Fauji kira – Army worm – *Mythimna separata* (maize, rice); Gabaro (banana) – Banana weevil borer (*Cosmopolites sordidus*); Dhanko Khairo Phadke – Rice brown plant hooper (*Nilaparvata lugens*); blight, blast etc. Farmers lack technical skills on identification and treatment of pests and diseases. Land use conversion of farmlands for settlement purpose; loss and damage of farmlands due to erosion and flood; crop damage and loss due to climatic impacts like heavy rainfall, fog/smog etc.; and crop depredation by wildlife in the fields are also among important problems in agriculture sector that needs to be addressed (Figure 12).



Figure 11: Problem tree for climate induced disaster



Figure 12: Problem tree for climate stress on agricultural productivity

Key Observations

- The major flood risk areas identified are Khatrakpa (Mai-I); Chepe Khola, Rate Khola and Sanglo Khola (Mai-8) in the upstream.
- The landslide risk areas identified are Lose (Mai-8), Sanguri (Mai-7), Tintale Khop (Mai-1), Rangapani (Mai-9), Bhattiwal Danda (Mai-8),Boretala landslide (Mai-2), Tinghare landslide (Mai-10); Laxmi Khola, Kapasuka Khola, Thewa Khola, Bhatbhate Gaun and Kodobari Gaun (Mai-7).
- Drying up of water sources were reported at Bisnetar, Baghechauri, Peepale, Kalkate, Kodobari, Bhatbhate, Bharleni and Chiuribote (Mai-8).
- Degradation of wetlands were reported at Mainachuli Jor Pokhari (Mai-8), Bhattiwal Danda Pokhari (Mai-8), Thebayuma Pokhari (Mai-7) and Tehrakune Simsar (Mai-1)

GESI Issues Observed in Problem Analysis 4.1.3

Women, IPs, Dalits, poor and marginalized groups have less access to finance, technology and skill to address the deforestation problems and policy gaps in addressing gender governance. Women are not able to ask for their equal rights to natural resources management. Women and marginalized groups are not having adequate knowledge and awareness in policies and law for sustainable forest management. Gendered governance, participation and integration was found to be low in all the issues and their voices are not heard or skills and technological access is weak. Women not having land titles and settlement with unregistered lands do not allow women, IPs or marginalized communities to get benefits from the project interventions. The GESI issues identified from problem analysis are presented in Table 7Error! Reference source not found..

Table 7: Problems associated with GESI			
Drivers	Underlying Causes		
Inadequate exercise of gender- inclusive governance in climate change, sustainable natural resource management (SNRM) practice	 Male- supremacy and dominance in decisions Limited access of women to information and communication (especially climate change and SNRM-related information, facility, fund, notice, and subsidies) Less consultation with women regarding agenda and time of meetings Unavailability of disaggregated data Lack of recognition of traditional knowledge of women in climate resilient land use practices (CRLUP)/SNRM Articulation of CRLUP/SNRM /DRR as scientifically complex subjects Limited knowledge on gender mainstreaming approach and value among officers/key people Gendered power relations within households and in society and restricted mobility of women 	 Hesitation to speak in meeting Less knowledge on CFUG management Less knowledge on climate change adaption Insufficient women participation Increased vulnerability of women towards environmental changes Slower women leadership development in natural resource management (NRM), forest management and DRR Low income of women Less control of women over high value forest products 	

4.2 Solution Analysis

Theme I: Climate Change Mitigation

4.2.1 **Activities for Reducing Forest Loss and Enhancing Forest Density**

Various activities have been identified for reducing forest loss and enhancing forest density and enrichment. The activities are proposed to mitigate deforestation and forest degradation by providing
solutions to direct and underlying drivers. The strategic actions include reducing forest dependency by addressing poverty and livelihood issues; promoting agroforestry, livestock management and private forestry; strengthening forest fire control system; controlling open grazing; improving law enforcement and overall forestry sector governance; promoting sustainable forest management; controlling further encroachment of forestlands; and capacity enhancement of user groups and government forestry staffs. Afforestation and reforestation activities are proposed to enhance forest density (Table 8).

Drivers of D&FD	Activities against Drivers			
	Enhance income generation opportunities of poor/marginalized forest users	Skill development trainings and equipment support		
	Promote woodlots/commercial plantation in private lands	Seedling distribution and technical support for private land forests and agroforestry; Sensitize local governments on private land forests		
illegal harvesting	Promote agroforestry	Promote horticulture, multiyear cropping, fodder and grasses in agroforestry		
	Improve legal supply of forest products			
	Improve forest monitoring	Enhance patrolling in coordination with Nepal police; provision of daily allowance, rewards/ recognition; installation of CCTV in prime routes		
	Sensitization/awareness programs	Sensitize communities on the impacts of forest fire on ecosystem functions/services and their restoration; Improve forest monitoring- enhance patrolling, award/recognition to informants		
Forest fire	Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs	Coordination and collaboration with DFOs/DRRMC and security forces		
	Construction and improvement of fire lines	Capacity development and funding support for fire line construction		
	Removal of dry biomass	Promote compost production from dry leaf litters and unwanted bushes		
	Promote stall feeding	Training and support on commercial livestock farming and shed improvement		

Table 8: Activities for reducing forest loss and enhancing forest density

Drivers of D&FD	Activities against Drivers				
Open and	Support fodder banks in private and public lands	Distribution of seeds/seedlings of fodder trees and nutrient grasses; Provide technical trainings			
grazing	Allocation and management of grazing area	Allocate grazing land in specified areas within CFs; Promote leasehold forests			
	Resolving land ownership issues	Policy commitments/Policy interventions			
Encroachment of forestland	Forest boundary demarcation	Technical and financial support to DFOs/sub- DFOs			
	Enhance income generation opportunities	Trainings and subsidies for entrepreneurship development to poor/marginalized households residing close to forests			
	Implementation of sustainable forest management	Review/upgrade/renewal of forest operational plans (FOPs) of CFUGs; Sensitization/awareness programs on sustainable forest management; Training on silvicultural operations and equipment use			
Ineffective forest	Establish/upgrade nurseries	Demand based seedlings production			
management practices	Implement forest enhancement activities	Enrichment plantation, assisted natural regeneration, riverbank plantation etc.; Control invasive species (weeding, cleaning for at least 4 times a year)			
	Strengthen forest governance	Joint coordination meeting of government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency			
	Riverbank stabilization				
	Landslide treatment				
Climate-led hazards	Erosion/gulley control				
	Regulate riverbed excavation	Coordination among local government, other associated government agencies and CFUGs; Environment assessment (EIA/IEE) for riverbed excavations			
Infrastructure development	Regulate infrastructure development within forest area	Promote environment friendly infrastructures; IEE/EIA & detail engineering study and design for infrastructure development;			

Solution Analysis

Solution trees are prepared to minimize deforestation and restore degraded forests. Deforestation is associated with encroachment of forestlands, infrastructure development and natural hazards. The foremost activity to control encroachment is to resolve land tenure issues. This requires interventions at policy level. Forest boundary demarcation also resolves land tenure issue and requires strong law enforcement to avoid further encroachment. Poverty and livelihood issues can be addressed by enhancing income generation opportunities for poor/marginalized groups through skill development trainings and forest based entrepreneurship. Infrastructure development in forest areas can be regulated through policy interventions; enhancing inter-agency coordination and cooperation; and provision of environment assessment (IEE/EIA), detail engineering study and designs. Infrastructures in forest areas should be environment friendly. Forest loss from natural hazards can be reduced through landslide treatment, gully/debris torrent control and riverbank stabilization (Figure 13).



Figure 13: Solution tree for minimizing deforestation

Degraded forests can be restored through mitigation of direct and underlying drivers of forest degradation, improving natural regeneration and plantations. Illegal harvesting of forest products can be minimized by enhancing income generation opportunities for poor/marginalized forest dependent people and improving legal supply of forest products. The socially and economically marginalized forest dependent people can be provided with skill development programs; and support for entrepreneurship development, commercial agriculture and livestock farming. Promoting agroforestry and private forestry also reduces forest dependency. Local government needs to be sensitized on private forestry. Promotion of agroforestry and private forestry require seedlings and technical support. Fodder trees and nutrient grasses can be promoted in private and public lands. This enhances fodder availability outside forests and reduces pressure of open grazing in forests. Open grazing can also be controlled through livestock breed improvement and stall feeding. Providing training and support on commercial livestock farming and shed improvement can be helpful in promoting stall feeding. The other solution can be management of grazing lands in certain areas of community forests or public lands. Rotational grazing can be effective, avoiding overgrazing in allocated grazing lands. Forest fire can be mitigated by enhancing firefighting capacity and early preparations. The CFUGs need to be well trained and equipped to control forest fire. Periodic removal of dry biomass and construction of firelines reduces forest fire spread. In turn, the bushes, dry leaf litters can be used for compost/manure production. Construction of water storage ponds in potential strategic locations enhances water availability during forest fire. Moreover, forest monitoring should be enhanced in coordination with Nepal police; and provision of daily allowance, rewards/recognition to those involved in forest patrolling to control illegal harvest of forest products and poaching.

Forest management can be improved through FOP implementation and strengthening of sustainable forest management practices, implementation of forest enhancement activities and strengthening of forest sector governance. All the CFUGs should have valid sustainable forest management operation plan. They should be well trained and equipped for its implementation. Forest enhancement can be done through afforestation and reforestation. Seedling/sapling availability can be ensured by construction/upgradation of nurseries. Priority should be given to local native species while other commercial species can also be introduced through proper study and in line with safeguard measures. Nurseries should produce saplings of demand based species that will encourage plantation. Moreover, government staffs and CFUGs' executive committee members should be sensitized and capacitated to strengthen forest sector governance (Figure 14).



Figure 14: Solution tree for restoration of degraded forests

* Major Activities and Outputs

The major activities and outputs proposed for reducing forest loss and enhancing forest density are presented in Table 9.

Table 9: Major activities and outputs for reducing fo	orest loss and enhancing forest density
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Major Activities	Outputs	
Forest fire control	Restored degraded forests area halting forest fire, illegal harvesting	
Agroforestry promotion		
Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced		
halting illegal harvesting		
Improvement of forest cover within national forest through		
enrichment plantation/ANR	Improved natural forest	
Restoration, enhancement and maintenance of forests and	management and increased forest area outside the forest	
tree cover in the river system landscape through Public and		
private forestry		
Strengthening forest management		

Key Observations/Recommendations from Expert Planning Workshop

- It would be effective to enhance cooperation and collaboration with security institutions (Nepal police, Armed Police Force, Nepal Army) for forest fire management as well as control of poaching. They should be provided with essential equipment like fire extinguisher, fireproof jackets, water jet spray etc. as well as rewards/recognition.
- There should be provision of reward/recognition and compensation/insurance for forest firefighters. Trainings on use of firefighting equipment and safety measures.
- Provision to include source of timber during approval of building construction might be helpful in reducing illegal logging.
- Farming of improved livestock breeds that are favorable to stall feeding can be one of the solutions to minimize open grazing. Multiyear fodder trees and grasses should be supported to farmers. The other solution is promotion of silage production.
- Women involved in illegal harvesting have been difficult to deal with due to lack of female forest guards. So female forest guards should be appointed.
- Sensitization programs to raise awareness on seedling/sapling distribution, data collection on seedling/sapling with higher demand in coordination with ward administration and train people on plantation. Make videos/documentaries on seedling/sapling plantation.
- About 20% fruit trees can be included in enrichment plantation, demonstration plantation and others. It can be effective in reducing human-wildlife conflict especially monkey.
- Support should also be provided for fencing using mesh wire to protect plantation sites.
- Provision of public hearing for approval of forest operational plans. Sanitization of FOPs to CFUGs and local government. FOPs should have fewer contents and must be easily readable by CFUGs.
- Preliminary soil tests for risk reduction in implementation of enrichment plantation. •
- Include trainings on processing and semi-processing for skill and entrepreneurship development.
- Coordination with local government should be ensured for activities such as skill development • training, entrepreneurship development and others that draw attention of the local government.
- Mitigation of human-wildlife conflicts.
- Weeding at least four times a year to prevent spreading of invasive species.

Theme 2: Climate Change Adaptation

4.2.2 Activities for Enhancing Adaptation/Resilience of Ecosystem and Community

Various activities are identified for disaster risk reduction, supporting climate resilient farming and enhancing agriculture productivity based on direct and underlying causes of vulnerable ecosystem and community. The activities are proposed to cope with those drivers and enhance adaptation/resiliency of ecosystem and local community (Table 10).

Drivers	Activities Against Drivers				
Climate Induced Disaster					
	Riverbank stabilization	Embankments and bioengineering			
Flood	Protective plantation along river corridors	Plantation along riverbanks: Control open grazing in riverbank; Provide fencing support			
	Regulate riverbed excavation works	Coordination among local government, other associated government agencies and			

Table 10: Activities for enhancing adaptation/resilience building of ecosystem and community

Drivers	Activities Against Drivers			
		CFUGs; Environment assessment (EIA/IEE) for riverbed excavations		
	Drainage management to minimize inundation			
	Implement bylaws to control riverbank encroachment	Regulate at least 25 m setback from riverbanks		
	Landslide treatment	Crown protection, drain management, seed broadcasting, check dam etc.		
Erosion/ landslide	Construction of check dams and bioengineering for gully/debris torrent protection			
	Promote agroforestry on marginal land	Promote high value/multi-year species, fodder species and grasses		
	Regulate infrastructure development in Chure hillslope	IEE/EIA & detail engineering study and design for infrastructure development		
Weak disaster	Enhance coordination and collaboration among concerned agencies for integrated DRR planning	Participatory planning approach including women, Dalit, IPs and poor and marginalized groups		
management	Strengthen disaster preparedness	Equipment support to strengthen disaster preparedness; Establish early warning system & communication mechanism		
Climate Stress on Agriculture Productivity				
	Establish Farmer Field Schools to capacitate farmers	Trainings on climate resilient farming and land use practices		
	Promote high value agroforestry	Promote multiyear cropping/horticulture		
	Conservation of water sources	Wetland conservation and management; Construction of water conservation ponds		
Inadequate capacity and resources	Promote alternative irrigation practices			
	Incentives to promote commercial farming	Provide seed money, soft loans, subsidies in equipment, crop/livestock insurance, production based subsidies, shed improvement for commercial farming		
	Promote cooperative farming among small landholders			

Drivers	Activities Against Drivers			
Pests and	Train farmers on identification and treatments of crop and livestock diseases			
diseases	Promote conservation of resilient native crops and local livestock breeds	Improvement of local livestock breeds and crop varieties for resiliency and higher production		
Soil quality degradation	Promote organic farming and Integrated Pest Management (IPM)	Awareness programs and trainings on IPM and compost production; Promote livestock farming by providing training, supporting shed improvement and fodder banks; Support soil quality test		
	Promote climate resilient farming			
Loss and damage of agricultural lands and crops	Implementation of erosion and flood mitigation measures	Embankments with bioengineering; riverbank plantation; promote agroforestry in marginal lands		
	Regulate settlement expansion/land plotting in agricultural lands	Policy interventions to regulate land use conversion		
	Plantation of wild fruit species in forests	Plantation of Amala (Phyllanthus emblica), Jamun (Syzygium cumini), Bar (Ficus benghalensis), Peepal (Ficus religiosa), Harro (Terminalia chebula), Barro (Terminalia bellirica) etc. in forest area		

Solution Analysis

The strategic actions proposed for disaster risk reduction are riverbank stabilization, landslide treatment, erosion control, and strengthening disaster risk management. Riverbank stabilization requires construction of embankments. Riverbed material excavation must be regulated in coordination among local government, other associated government agencies and CFUGs to reduce flood risk. Riverbank encroachment must be controlled through preparation of bylaws and other regulatory measures. Moreover, drainage management is required to avoid inundation. Landslide treatment can be done through crown protection, drain management, seed broadcasting etc. gullies/debris torrent can be treated by constructing check dams. To avoid erosion from humaninduced causes like infrastructure development (road constructions) must be regulated. Promoting agroforestry, livestock management and conservation agriculture in slopy lands also help in reducing soil erosion. Plantation of high value species, multi-year plant species, fruits not only reduces erosion but also provides the source of income. Bioengineering can be integrated for effectiveness along with structural measures. It also enhances vegetation cover. The other important activity to minimize disaster risk is to enhance coordination and collaboration between different agencies working for disaster risk management. The disaster risk reduction plans of various agencies should be integrated that provides solution to inadequate and scattered investments thereby enhancing effectiveness of DRR activities. Local governments should be encouraged to prepare Risk Sensitive Land Use Plans and strengthen disaster preparedness. Disaster preparedness can also be strengthened through equipment support (Figure 15).



Figure 15: Solution tree for minimizing impact of climate-induced disasters

One of the important aspects of enhancing adaptation/resilience building of ecosystem and local community would be climate resilient farming practices and enhancing agricultural productivity. Increase in agriculture productivity will improve livelihood of small farmers and at the same time, it will decrease forest dependency. To achieve this, foremost priority should be to enhance capacity of farmers. Farmer Field Schools can be the best solution where farmers will be trained on climate resilient farming practices and enhancing agriculture productivity. Training farmers alone would not be sufficient to encourage farmers. Providing seed money, soft loans, subsidies in equipment, production based subsidies, improving irrigation facilities and livestock shed improvement can encourage farmers to commercial farming. Promoting cooperative farming among small landholders and high value agroforestry can provide farmers with income generation opportunities. Alternative irrigation practices like rainwater harvesting, drip irrigation can be promoted along with conservation of water sources to improve irrigation facilities. Organic farming and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) can be promoted to improve soil quality by reducing use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides. It can be promoted by providing trainings and equipment support. Promoting commercial livestock farming can further enhance organic farming. Farmers should be provided with technical support and incentives for commercial livestock farming and shed improvement. They can be encouraged to establish fodder banks in private land by providing seedlings of fodder trees and nutrient grasses. It will be helpful in promoting stall feeding and decreases impact on forest due to open grazing. Promoting organic farming and IPM can also be beneficial in reducing crop pests and diseases. Farmers can also be trained on identification and treatment of pests and diseases. Conservation of resilient native crops and local livestock breeds should be promoted. Breed improvement of native crop/livestock varieties can improve resiliency and enhance productivity. One of the prominent issues in recent years is crop loss and damage by wild animals. The solution identified to cope with this issue is plantation of fruit bearing trees in forest area to enhance food source for wild animals and hence it may also minimize humanwildlife conflict on the longer terms since they get food right on the forest floor and will not go out of their habitats. The above mentioned activities are intended to capacitate farmers in climate resilient farming, minimizing agriculture yield loss and increasing productivity. Nevertheless, agriculture lands should be conserved through effective land use plan and climate resilient land use practices (Figure 16).



Figure 16: Solution tree for climate resilient farming practices

* Major Activities and Outputs

The major activities and outputs proposed for enhancing adaptation/resilience building of ecosystem and local community are presented in Table 11.

Table II: Major activities and outputs for enhancing adaptation/resilience building of ecosystem and community

Major Activities	Outputs	
Controlling erosion/landslide and management of sedimentation	Minimized impedate of climate	
Agroforestry promotion in marginal/sloping lands	induced disectors (creation	
Minimization of negative impact of flood	landslides/ sedimentation and	
Strengthening disaster risk management and awareness creation	flooding)	
on climate resilient NRM		
Establish and operationalize Farmers Field Schools (FFS)	Farmers adopted climate	
Conservation and management of water sources		
Implementation of climate-resilient land use practices (pest and		
disease minimized, soil quality improved, irrigation facility	resment laining practices	
enhanced)		

Key Observations/Recommendations from Expert Planning Workshop

- Provide support to private landowners to promote tree plantation in adjoining private lands along with riparian/riverbank plantation.
- Promote climate resilient agriculture practices and coordinate with agriculture offices.
- Establishment of agriculture based library at ward level can be effective for promotion of agriculture.
- Trainings related to agriculture should at least be focused on one crop cycle rather than shortterm trainings. It would be better to train farmers on seasonal crop cycles so as to enhance their knowledge, skill and capacity in crop farming at various seasons. These trainings not necessarily be conducted in daily basis, rather weekly basis trainings would be sufficient.
- There is increasing demand for compost/vermi-compost fertilizers. Thus community composting should be promoted. For this efficient CBFUGs should be identified and supported.
- Market linkage should be ensured along with the skill development trainings. Enhance coordination and collaboration to involve local government for such activities.

• Address gender inclusive governance, which has been the weakness in addressing policy issues and practicing good governance.

4.2.3 Gender Inclusive Action Plan and Process

Gender inequality and social norms limit women's access to resources and sufficient opportunity to participate in the decision-making process, particularly in sustainable natural resource management. Women are playing a significant role in the conservation of forests and increasing the adaptability of climate change impact. The entire CERP process has adopted gender-inclusive actions such as ensuring equal participation during the consultation. The process adopted a gender-specific approach to collect problems, especially among women's user groups, through the Himalayan Grassroots Women's Natural Resource Management Association (HIMAWANTI). The gender-specific approach adopted particular research tools such as seasonal calendars, problem and solution community workshops, and focus group discussions among women, Dalits, IP's women, and other marginalized communities. Also, the consultation process includes a consultation with women and women lead organizations. The male leaders were also involved in advocating gender equality and women's engagement in the climate change planning process. The gender mainstreaming approach is included in problem and solution analysis and the recommendation has been incorporated in the plan. Key issues and solutions on gender equality in SNRM:

Key issues	Solution
I. Unequal representation and influence of women in NRM, CCA, and DRR governance	I. Equal representation of women and consideration of specific adaptation needs is a must to realize inclusive SNRM and CCA
2. Women's issues and capacity are not considered in the planning process	2. Involvement and integrating women and women's concerns need to include in the programming process (planning, budgeting, monitoring, evaluation, and redesigning of the plans and project)
3. Women are just counted as vulnerable groups and passive beneficiaries of development interventions	3. Plan/conduct gender mainstreaming training, learning events, and advocacy campaigning for gender integration for the government officers, CBOs executive, local resource persons, and other stakeholders
4. Women are more involved in labour contributions both in conservation and management of natural resources	4. Learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women at their settlements can help to identify their issues and problems in the group
5. Women have less control over high-value products such as timber and the commercialization of non-timber forest products as compared to men	5. Provide business opportunities, build the leadership skills to communicate or negotiate with men/leadership/decision makers to access information and resources and initiate entrepreneurship, promote men into governance-related activities, and present men as change makers "Champions."

Table	12:	Gender	issues	and	gender	inclusive	actions

Key issues	Solution		
6. Underrepresentation of women in the process is the major reason and the challenges to women's representation are the gender role, restricted mobility	6. Conduct a rapid assessment to generate the case study and build the capacity of municipality people to keep the record-gender disaggregated data		
7. Lack of gender-disaggregated data in government offices	7. Building the technical capacity of women-led organizations helps to raise the collective voice of women contributing to advocating for gender-inclusive planning and budgeting at local levels		
8. Lack of equal representation of women in decision-making process	8. Sensitization on the gender differential impact of climate change has been strongly suggested in a community workshop, focused group discussion, and discussion with women-led organizations		
9. Loss of women's control over valuable resource	9. Institutionalization of gender analysis as part of program design helps to increase gender-related actions-such as promoting women's participation, providing information, and integrating gender in a planning process		
10. Less achievement/progress on gender specific reports, activities, and progress	10. Application of gender budgeting for the effective implementation of gender-inclusive planning		
 Women are not aware about the plan, policy, subsidies, and other facilities 	 Capacity development of local government based on capacity need assessment for gender-inclusive planning and budgeting 		
12. less agriculture productivity	12. Increased access of women to climate resilient agriculture practices, availability of drought tolerant plants, seeds through farmer's field school		
 Food scarcity and hunger especially among poor, Dalits, and indigenous women. 	13. Promote cash crops such as seasonal and off-season vegetable farming through FFS. Promote the concept of community farming or group farming		
14. Limited understanding about the socioeconomic impact of gender inequality	14. Advocacy campaign to promote gender equality (community radio, community theatre, communication materials; booklets, best practices, posters, flex with key messages, day celebration (International women's day celebration, 16 days of activism against gender-based violence, etc)		

4.2.4 Solution to Gender Issues

Gender and women empowerment issues and concerns are integrated into all activities. However, considering the importance of gender-inclusive governance as a key element to mainstream gender into the implementation, the plan is focused on one gender-specific IPack on gender-inclusive

governance. Therefore, the solutions to gender issues are associated with enhancing gender-inclusive governance.

The solutions to GESI issues are associated with enhancing gender-inclusive governance.

Table 13: Activities to enhance gender-inclusive governance						
Drivers	Activities Against Drivers					
Inadequate exercise of gender- inclusive governance in climate change, SNRM practice	 Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM/ CRLUP and management Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs and concerned stakeholders Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing Conduct advocacy campaign to promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups. This will include day celebration, integration of gender in local radio program, learning events, etc. Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in advocacy and media campaign. 	 Increase women's participation Share information about the latest news, update, notice, fund, plans and budget Time information about training and meetings Promote and engage leadership Include and integrate males in advocacy campaigns and radio programs (the radio program will be integrated with other SNRM themes and activities) 				

Major Activities and Outputs

The activities and outputs proposed for enhancing gender-inclusive governance are presented in Table 14. Error! Reference source not found.

Table 14: Major activities and ou	tputs of enhancing gende	er-inclusive governance
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Major Activities	Outputs
Increase access of women to SNRM and kr information	Gender inclusive governance
Integrate gender and women's participation processes in SNRM	in local planning resilient practices

4.2.5 Integration of GESI and IP's Issues into Solution Activities

The following special attention is required to mainstreaming women, Dalits, indigenous people, and marginalized communities in the implementation of ecosystem restoration plans for the river system:

a. Provide opportunities to build capacity in natural resource management for users, particularly women, indigenous peoples, the Madhesis, Dalits, and forest-dependent marginalized communities.

b. Improve and synchronize CFUGs' operational plans in order to improve users' capabilities (women, the Madhesis, Dalit, IPs, and marginalized users) and build a strong mechanism for GESI in the river system's forestry sector.

c. Provide an opportunity for women with specific, major actions in the restoration of the hotspots, for example:

- Provide women's capacity-building training in nursery establishment and seedling production.
- Provide capacity-building training to CFUGs and farmers' groups on river bank and gully stabilization.
- Provide skill-building training to women for the promotion of afforestation in river reclaimed lands and the promotion of agroforestry and other opportunities (for example, the development of fruit orchards).
- Invest in women's decision-making capacity building, especially in forestry activities for Churia region women and agriculture activities for Terai region women.
- Reduce social barriers (social and economic insecurity and lowered education and understanding level) for Dalit, the Madhesis, indigenous people, and other vulnerable ethnicity women to participate in ecosystem restoration activities such as sustainable forest management and agriculture land restoration (on both public and private lands);
- Engage women in agroforestry, FFS, and climate resilient land use practices to ensure their incomes and knowledge enhancement.

Inclusive Process and Plans for Indigenous People

Special attention is given on FAO, FPIC Manual for Project Practitioners 2016, focused on an Indigenous Peoples' right and a good practice for local communities. Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) process is required for the implementation of any activities highlighted in the CERP. For this, implementing agency (CBOs) and project manager must follow 6 steps in different actions during CERP implementation in the river system:

- Step 1: Identification of Indigenous Peoples' concerns and their representatives
- **Step 2:** Document geographic and demographic information through participatory mapping
- **Step 3:** Design a participatory communication plan and carry out iterative discussions through which project information will be discussed in a transparent way
- **Step 4:** Reach consent, document Indigenous Peoples' needs that are to be included into the project and agree on feedback and complains mechanism
- Step 5: Conduct participatory monitoring and evaluation of the agreement
- Step 6: Document lessons learned and disclose information about project achievements.

CHAPTER 5 : INTERVENTION PACKAGE

5.1 Formulation of Intervention Packages

From problem and solution tree analysis the main problems along with their causes and effects are recorded, to come up with clear and manageable goals and the strategies to combat them. There are two main stages to this process: (1) the identification of negative aspects of existing situations (or key challenges) in the form of problem trees, and (2) the change of the problems into objectives leading to solution trees showing potential solutions or strategies that respond to the drivers and underlying causes.

It is important to understand and recognize stakeholder engagement and listen to the voices and concerns of forest dependent and poor/marginalized social groups in the process of prioritizing the CERP activities. All these intervention packages (IPacks) were developed based on the activities and key results identified from local stakeholder workshops and verified from expert planning workshops involving most of the key stakeholders. The IPacks developed mainly focused on reducing deforestation and forest degradation; enhancing adaptation/resilience building of vulnerable ecosystem and local community; and integrating gender and equity issues in governance practices in natural resource management and climate resilient land use practices. It provides activities for forest and carbon enhancement; climate resilient agriculture practices and land use practices; and reducing ecosystem and community vulnerability from climate-induced disasters.

Problem, Solution analysis and map demarcations done by participants are considered as a foundational step for formulating IPacks to group the activities. First the similar activities that are identified in solution analysis and their map demarcations are carefully reviewed against the underlying causes obtained in problem analysis. In next step, the activities are grouped based on adaptation and mitigation themes making sure it addresses the underlying causes and major problems (key drivers) identified during problem analysis. In addition, the findings of gender – a specific field study conducted by HIMAWANTI are integrated into the ipack. The gender study identified three key interventions focused on gender and women empowerment. However, the intervention package integrated most of the gender-related concerns in the ipack and added one gender-responsive government ipack as an advocacy campaign in the plan.

Ipacks are formulated based on this grouping such that each Ipacks address the major problems (drivers) and activities relate with solution analysis process. However, all activities identified in solution analysis are not reflected in IPack activities – as in reference to guidance from CERP manual Box 14 and section C1.2 based on which policy level interventions that are already reflected in REDD+ national strategy are not included in IPacks. Ipacks geographic focus and coverage areas were also closely reviewed to make sure that the upstream-downstream linkage issues are addressed, although geographic focus are not considered as a primary criterion for activity grouping.

A number of activities that do not directly relate with ecosystem restoration were also noted during the problem-solution analysis process. These activities primarily include large scale infrastructure development along river corridors, revising national/provincial level policies, construction of local infrastructure, irrigation infrastructure, food security, water supply etc. Based on the guidance from project documents and CERP manual most strategic interventions that are feasible through activity prioritization are included in IPack formulation.

Intervention Packages	Outputs	Drivers or barriers addressed	
IPack 1: Climate resilient agriculture and land use	Farmers capacitated in climate resilient agriculture	Inadequate capacity and resource; Pests and diseases; Soil quality	
practices	Improved climate-resilient land use practices	degradation	
	Agroforestry promoted	Erosion/ landslide; Flood;	
IPack 2: Improving/maintaining	Erosion/landslide controlled and sedimentation managed		
river system landscape through	Water sources conserved	Unsustainable harvesting and illegal	
soil and water conservation	Flood mitigation	logging	
	Disaster risk management strengthened		
IPack 3: Capacity enhancement for sustainable forest management	Forest management strengthened	Ineffective forest management practices; Unsustainable harvesting and illegal logging; Encroachment of forestland	
IPack 4: Restoration and	Improved forest cover through enrichment plantation and ANR	Unsustainable harvesting and illegal	
rehabilitation of degraded	Forest fire mitigated	logging; Forest fire; Encroachment	
forests	Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced	of forestland	
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within and outside national forest)	Forests and tree cover are restored, enhanced and maintained in the river system landscape	Unsustainable harvesting and illegal logging; Open and uncontrolled grazing; Erosion/ landslide; Flood	
IPack 6: Advocacy campaign: Gender-inclusive governance	Increased access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Lack of gender integration in	
campaign	Integrated gender and women's participation in local planning processes in SNRM	and implementation process	

Table 15: Intervention packages for CERP

This CERP only covers those key results and IPacks that correspond to local level interventions. However, it also reveals a number of vital areas of interventions that can take place at national level such as- resolution of land tenure issues; interventions to regulate infrastructure development in forest area; interventions to regulate settlement expansion/land plotting in agricultural lands and others. These higher-level measures or interventions should also be incorporated into national strategies for successful implementation of CERP.

IPack activities also reflect up-mid-downstream linkages to foster integrated management approach. An activity mapped below at river system scale demonstrates that those activities under IPack 2 (such as landslide/erosion control, water sources conservation, flood mitigation) and IPack 3, 4 (such as ANR, Fire control, capacity building SFM) focus on upstream churia hill regions that are expected to reduce sedimentation and have profound impact on the morphology of the river and related disasters in the inner river valley. IPack 1 on CRA and IPack 5 on restoration of riverine landscape with plantation focus on these inner river valleys. Ipack 6 being an advocacy-Gender governance package, focuses on the entire river system.



Strategies and Activities

For each of the IPacks there are strategies (Table 16) and activities (Table 17). Strategies are followed by activities and provision of incentives that could encourage stakeholder's participation, as well as change their current practices that would enhance resilience and mitigation benefits (Table 16). All the activities developed are considered realistic and practical as regards their implementation. Ambiguous activities that are difficult to obtain clear and measurable outcomes have been excluded.

Summary of Feasibility Analysis

Feasibility analysis was used to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the IPacks (Table 18), which can lead to desired results of the CERP. In the feasibility analysis, the risks and obstacles to implementation of each IPacks were assessed, and this provided the basis for assessing the overall feasibility of each IPack. Cost-effectiveness is also a vital criterion in feasibility analysis. The scores obtained through overall feasibility analysis at output levels indicate that all the IPs are reasonably feasible (Table 19). Erosion/landslide control and flood mitigation seem moderately feasible taking account of the risk that its implementation cost will be high with moderate cost effectiveness, as well as influential decisions on prioritization of sites for interventions. The feasibility analysis was duly verified from expert planning workshop.

Summary of Safeguard Analysis

Safeguard analysis was done to identify social and environmental risks or threats (Table 20), as well as to identify where CERP interventions can contribute to significant social or environmental co-benefits (Table 21) Social risks are negative social side effects on poor and marginalized social groups while implementing the proposed IPacks. Women, IPs and marginalized minority groups, including Dalits among others, can experience discrimination and may face additional barriers to their participation and engagement that could limit their engagement within the project. Similarly, environmental risks are potential side effects from proposed interventions such as natural forest conversion, negative effects on biodiversity or other ecosystem services among others. In safeguard analysis, the measures to mitigate risks and enhance benefits were also assessed. The safeguard analysis matrix was duly verified during expert planning workshop.

Budget Plan

The budget plan for CERP activities has been prepared based on approved district rate, and in close coordination with government officials at expert planning workshop, The quantitative implementation targets defined in the planning stage are the starting point for the budgeting process, followed by detail analysis of the activities, tasks and resources needed. The summary of budget plan for each IPacks is presented in Table 22. The detail budget plan with locations for interventions is presented in Annex 3.

Monitoring

It is clearly essential to monitor the CERP implementation both for adaptive management of CERP and to be able to compensate or incentivize local stakeholders for their contribution to positive outcomes. For this, a monitoring protocol has been prepared (Table 23).

5.2 General Description of Intervention Packages

Intervention Packages	IPacks description	Objectives	Strategies	Activities/Incentives for Participation and Changing Stakeholder Practices
IPack 1: Climate resilient agriculture and land use practices	Farmers vulnerability have been increasing due to limited farm skill and technology, low investment capacity, inadequate irrigation facilities, increasing pest and diseases and poor market access which relates with inability to cope with climate change impacts. Eventually the result is increased pressure in forest resource. This intervention package thus provides solution to combat climate change impacts and enhance farm sustainability. Farmers are also facing problems of higher cost of agriculture input and low market price on sale.	 To capacitate vulnerable farmers, women, Dalits to adopt climate resilient agriculture practices To enhance agriculture yield 	 Improving resilience of farmers to climate change, disasters, price volatility and other shocks Increase agricultural productivity of Forest dependent and other smallholders (equal participation of men and women) 	 Train farmers (prioritizing women) on climate resilient agriculture Incentivize poor/marginalized farmers (skill development and equipment support) Promotion of alternative irrigation practice, local livestock breed/crop varieties' improvement and cooperative farming to enhance yield Promote organic farming with provision of compensating yield loss to reduce chemical inputs Disease/pest control Support agriculture commercialization
IPack 2: Improving/ maintaining river system landscape through soil and water conservation	Landscape degradation within the river system is a combined effect of natural and anthropogenic causes. It is mainly associated with fragile topography, climate instability and unsustainable use of natural resources. Natural hazards like erosion, landslide, flood, forest fire and declining ecosystem services like declining water resource, forest resource and agriculture yield all are	 To mitigate disaster risks to reduce community and ecosystem vulnerability To enhance restoration of ecosystem services To enhance local knowledge, awareness and 	 Increase non-carbon benefits of forest ecosystems Minimizing erosion, landslide and floods through infrastructure development and also adopting indigenous knowledge, skills and customary practices Promote changing annual crop into multiyear crop in Chure hill slopes 	 Incentivize multiyear cropping/ horticulture Promotion of agroforestry in marginal lands Promote water conservation ponds in Chure hills as well as lowlands Promote fodder grass sloppy public lands Project implementation in-line with priority of local government Formation of school based eco-clubs

Table 16: General descriptions of IPacks

Intervention Packages	IPacks description	Objectives	Strategies	Activities/Incentives for Participation and Changing Stakeholder Practices
	associated with landscape degradation. This IPack thus focuses on restoration and maintaining the degraded landscape and livelihood improvement of local communities.	capacity on CRLUP and SNRM	 Implementation of projects in the collaboration with local government Awareness raising through schools, media and other relevant measures Trainings for capacity enhancement in CRLUP and SNRM 	• Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio- engineering
IPack 3: Capacity enhancement for sustainable forest management	Forest management regimes within the river system reflect Community Forest and Government Forest. These forest areas are subject to immense pressure with increasing population. The problem of unsustainable harvesting and illegal logging prevails due to demand and supply gap. There is robust legal and policy framework in forest sector but lacks compliance in many ways. Limited access of CFUG members in decision-making, lack of clarity and uncertainty over forestland use, tenure, and resolution of households with unregistered land, widespread reports of corruption among different actors and law breaking in forest sector have weakened forest management efforts, accountability and transparency. This IPack focuses	 To improve forest quality through effective implementation of sustainable forest management To improve forest governance 	 Improve capacity, institutional performance and service delivery of the forestry sector institutions (including intra district/province level coordination) Improving capacity of CFUGs as well as other stakeholders for sustainable forest management Improve collaboration, cooperation and synergy among sectoral policies, sectors and actors Enhance the role of private sector in forestry to promote forest-based enterprises for livelihood and economic development Promote GESI and increase access of indigenous people in sustainable forest management 	 Financial and equipment support to encourage CFUGs for climate resilient sustainable forest management Enhance forest sector transparency thereby, enhancing accountability of forest users and also reducing illegal activities Promote women and GESI in participation and benefit sharing Policy intervention for resolution of land tenure issues Promote forest-based entrepreneurship Decentralization of district based timber supply system Development of compensatory mechanism for accidents during legal forest management activities Incentive to security forces for capturing loggers and loggings.

Intervention Packages	IPacks description	Objectives	Strategies	Activities/Incentives for Participation and Changing Stakeholder Practices
	on improving forest management to resolve disparity among CFUGs and government agencies and enrich forest resources.			
IPack 4: Restoration and rehabilitation of degraded forests	Forest encroachment, unsustainable harvesting and illegal logging, open grazing and forest fire are the major D&FD drivers in the river system. It is further worsened by weaknesses in forest enhancement. Limited livelihood opportunities of forest users and management weaknesses of CFUGs have hindered restoration and rehabilitation of degraded forests. This IPack seeks measures to tackle these weaknesses and restore degraded forests. It also supports enrichment of existing forests thorough assisted natural regeneration.	 To enhance forest cover through enrichment plantation To capacitate CFUGs in handling forest fire To provide forest dependent people with alternative resource and income generation opportunities 	 Reduce carbon emissions, enhance forest carbon stocks, and improve supply of forest products Promote livelihood improvement programs for poor and marginalized forest dependent people 	 Support for nursery establishment and enrichment plantation Enhancing technical capacity of CFUGs in plantation and nurturing of seedlings Strengthen forest firefighting Provide skill development trainings to increase income source of poor/marginalized forest users
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within and outside national forest)	Landscape degradation have been the concern and focused area of this project for restoration. Together with aforementioned IPacks, this IPack is focused on ecosystem restoration of this river system through enhancement of vegetation	 To enhance vegetation cover through public and private land plantation To decrease pressure in natural forests 	 Reduce carbon emissions, enhance forest carbon stocks, and improve supply of forest products Promote private and public land forestry 	 Support for nursery establishment with production of on-demand seedlings Incentives for shed improvement and fodder banks to support commercial livestock Community ownership for plantation in public lands

Intervention Packages	IPacks description	Objectives	Strategies	Activities/Incentives for Participation and Changing Stakeholder Practices
	cover mostly in private and public lands			 Campaign for encouraging plantation in private lands with provision of tree insurance and production based subsidies Promotion through demonstration plantation Promote 50% share of woodlots development in lands with women and indigenous ownership
IPack 6: Advocacy campaign: Gender- inclusive governance campaign	The under-representation of women in the decision-making process has resulted in the exclusion of women's specific needs and capacities in SNRM, CCA, and DRR. Increased influence of women in governance is important to identify and include gender-responsive program interventions to increase the adaptive capacity of vulnerable women. The advocacy campaigns will include local- level stakeholders and the community and leverage local-level funds and resources.	 Increase women's leadership in NRM, CCA, and DRR Building women's knowledge and skills in resource conservation and management Increase women's participation in decision-making forums Increase common understanding towards gender equality and women empowerment in SNRM 	 Build network among women and women-led organizations for an enabling environment Engage male and government representatives in the campaign 	 Consider women's convenience while setting meeting agenda and venue Provide transportation costs for attending the trainings Ensure that women are aware of meetings or activities in an appropriate way Provide opportunity to participate in learning events /platforms for women leaders and women champions

5.3 Major Activities and Sub-Activities

Intervention Packages	Major Activities	Sub-activities
	Establish and operationalize Farmers	Identification and operationalization of FFS
IPack I: Climate resilient	Field Schools (FFS)	Capacity-building in the use of weather information and its application in agricultural practices
practices	Implementation of climate-resilient	Implement climate resilient agriculture practices
	land use practices	Train and support farmers to adopt and apply climate-resilient land use practices
	Agroforestry promotion	Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture promotion/on- farm conservation
	Controlling erosion/landslide and management of sedimentation	Landslide treatment
		Construction of check dams and bioengineering for gully/debris torrent protection
IPack 2: Improving/maintaining river	Conservation and management of water sources	Wetland management
system landscape through soil and water conservation	Minimization of negative impact of Flood	Construction of embankments with bioengineering
	Strengthening disaster risk	Strengthening climate and disaster risk reduction mechanism in collaboration with local government
	management and awareness creation on climate resilient NRM	Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio- engineering
		Climate resilient awareness campaign through Eco-clubs

Table 17: IPacks, major activities and sub-activities

Intervention Packages	Major Activities	Sub-activities
		Support review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)
		Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs
Pack 3: Capacity enhancement for sustainable	Strengthening forest management	Equipment support for implementation of FOPs
forest management		Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (ToF)
		Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency
	Improvement of forest cover within	Enrichment plantation
	plantation/ANR	Implement Assisted Natural Regeneration
		Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs
	Forest fire control	Support firefighting equipment to security institution
rehabilitation of degraded forests		Training and equipment support to promote compost production from bushes and leaf litters
		Construction and improvement of fire lines
		Customize fire alert system in Community Based Forest Management
	Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced halting illegal harvesting	Skill development trainings and equipment support
	Restoration, enhancement and	Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries
maintenance of forests and tree		Production of saplings

Intervention Packages	Major Activities	Sub-activities	
	cover in the river system landscape	Establish On-farm tree nursery	
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within	through rubic and private forestry	Demonstration	
and outside national forest)		Riparian/riverbank plantation	
		Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	
		Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	
	Increase access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	
		Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	
IPack 6:		Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	
Advocacy campaign: Gender-inclusive governance campaign	Integrate gender and women's	Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	
	participation in local planning	Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	
		Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups	
		Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign	

5.4 Feasibility Analysis

	Table 18: Feasibility analysis					
Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators	
IPack I: Climate re	silient agriculture and	and use practices	1	l	I	
Farmers capacitated in climate resilient agriculture	Identification and operationalization of FFS	 Exclusion of poor and marginalized farmers Lower investment capacity of small farmers Drop out of participants of FFS 	• Build transparent selection	 Selection criteria to include poor and marginalized are in place 100 % farmers attending 	 Selection criteria Proportion of 	
Improved climate- resilient land use practices	Train and support farmers to adopt and apply climate-resilient land use practices		 criteria Incentives for small farmers Encourage and incentivize the participants 	 FFS are incentivized to adopt climate resilient agriculture At least 80% of FFS participants complete FFS package 	farmers incentivized • % of participants who complete FFS package	
IPack 2: Improving	/maintaining river syste	em landscape through so	il and water conservation			
Agroforestry promoted	Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture promotion/on-farm conservation	• Unwillingness due to higher opportunity cost of land	 Promotion of high value agroforestry Incentivize socially and economically marginalized households 	 Agroforestry in 1,773 ha land Proportionate sharing of benefits among women, Dalit Janajati and marginalized groups 	 Land area with agroforestry % of women, Dalit Janajati and marginalized groups incentivized 	
Erosion/landslide controlled and sedimentation managed	Landslide treatment	 Local knowledge and practices missing in the stabilization measures Influential decision in implementation 	 Integrate local knowledge and practices Risk prioritization prior to implementation in coordination with local government 	 At least 3 landslides treated with integration of structural & bioengineering measures and risk prioritization Local knowledge and practices integrated for the landslide treatment 	 Number of landslides treated Number of landslide treatment with local knowledge and practices 	

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
	Construction of check dams and bioengineering for gully/Debris torrent protection	 Local knowledge and practices missing in the bioengineering for the protection Influential decision in implementation 	 Integrate local knowledge and practices with structural and non- structural (bioengineering) measures Risk prioritization during mitigation 	• At least 9 gullies/debris torrent stabilized with integration of structural & non-structural measures and risk prioritization	 Number of gullies stabilized with local knowledge and practices
Negative impact of flood minimized	Construction of embankment with bioengineering	 Higher cost of mitigation (higher opportunity cost of investment) 	 Integrate indigenous knowledge, skills and customary practices and resources for low- cost solutions 	 660 m riverbank stabilization integrating structural & non- structural measures 	 Length of riverbank stabilized with indigenous knowledge, skills and customary practices
Disaster risk management strengthened	Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio-engineering	 Disparity in selection of participants 	• Build transparent selection criteria	• At least 50 % women, 13 % Dalit and 31 % indigenous peoples representatives trained on soil and watershed conservation using bio- engineering	• Number of women, Dalits and indigenous representatives trained
IPack 3: Capacity er	nhancement for sustaina	able forest managemen	t		
Forest management strengthened	Review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)	 Unwillingness of CFUGs due to lack of budget and technical knowledge 	• Provide financial and technical support	• At least 64 CFUGs receive financial and technical support	• Number of CFUGs receiving financial and technical support
	Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs	 Disparity in selection of participants (recommendation of 	• Build transparent selection criteria for CFUGs	 At least 50 % women, 13 % Dalit and 31 % indigenous peoples 	 Number of women, Dalits and indigenous

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
		participants from CFUGs)		representatives trained in implementation of climate resilient FOPs	representatives trained
	Equipment support for implementation of FOPs	 Inadequate technical knowledge in handling of equipment 	 Sensitize about BRCRN project scope and deliverables Technical trainings on equipment handling 	• At least 64CFUGs receive equipment support with trained individuals	• Number of CFUGs receiving equipment and its handling support
	Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (ToF)	• Level of understanding on climate resilient forest management practices among the trainee and trainers	 Adoption of peer learning method 	• At least 4 events of joint training (government staff and CBO representatives)	 Number of joint trainings
	Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency	 Gaps in understanding of governance in forest management procedures between government authority & CFUGs 	 Joint trainings/ roundtable discussion 	 Bi-annual joint trainings for 5 years 	 Number of joint training events organized
IPack 4: Restoration	n and rehabilitation of d	egraded forests			
Improved forest cover through enrichment plantation and ANR	Enrichment plantation/ANR	 Conflict on site and seedling species selection 	 Prior consultation with CFUGs 	 At least 1 consultation meeting with each CFUGs 	• Number of prior consultations
Forest fire mitigated	Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs	 Lack of technical knowledge in handling of equipment 	 Technical trainings on equipment handling 	 At least 20 CFUGs are well equipped with trained firefighting groups 	 Number of well- equipped CFUGs with trained firefighting groups

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
	Training and equipment support to promote compost production	 Elite capture Cheaper alternatives to compost in the market 	 Transparent selection to include most fire prone CFs Awareness raising programs on the significance of composting conducted for CFUGs with opportunities to the market linkages 	 At least 5 most fire prone CFs are included At least 5 awareness raising events conducted covering 5 CFUGs 	 Number of most fire prone CFs included Number of awareness raising events
	Construction and improvement of fire lines	 Selected sites might demand cutting of trees in significant number 	 Selection of site with minimal tree removals Improvement of fire lines will be prioritized 	 At least 5 km of fire lines constructed/ improved 	• Length of fire lines
Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced	Skill development trainings and equipment support	• Low investment capacity of trainees on small and medium enterprise establishment	 Incentivize to develop small and medium enterprise (nursery, agroforestry) 	• More than 50% trainees involved in income generation	 % of trainees involved in income generation
IPack 5: Restoration	n of river system landsca	ape (within and outside	national forest)		
Forests and tree cover are restored, enhanced and maintained in the river system landscape	Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries	• Disparity in site and species selection	• Prior consensus with communities for site and species selection	• At least 3 consultation workshops organized	 Number of consultation workshops conducted to select site and species
	Establish On-farm tree nursery	• Disparity in site and species selection	• Prior consensus with communities for site and species selection	• At least I consultation workshops organized	 Number of consultation workshops conducted to select site and species

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
	Demonstration plantation	• Disparity in species selection	 Consensus among user members 	 71.5 ha of demonstration plantation with prior consent 	• Area of demonstration plantation
	Riparian/riverbank plantation	 Conflict of land use change (eg. Current grazing sites) 	 Community consultation before plantation site selection 	• All the plantation sites are free from conflict	• Number of sites free of conflicts for riparian plantation
	Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	 Unwillingness due to higher opportunity cost of land 	 Distribution of high value and fast growing tree species Provide financial support for field preparation, protection and management of woodlots 	 100% landowner who establish woodlots receives financial support 	 % of landowner who establish woodlots receiving financial support
IPack 6: Advocacy c	ampaign: Gender-inclus	sive governance campai	gn		
Increased access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	 Social norms and values restricting women to participate and give time for informal learning and sharing platforms 	 Identification of social and structural barriers faced by women through sensitization measures 	 At least one gender sensitization learning event per year 	 Number of gender sensitization events conducted
	Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	• Women lack access and resources about local level policies making them vulnerable	 Awareness and sharing of policies 	 At least one event held on policy dissemination among women groups At least 70% of target population participated 	 Event/ activity report Proportion of target population reached

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
	Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	• Lack of resources	• Ensure availability of resources	 Allocate budget for production and publication 	 At least one report containing five best practices published and disseminated
Integrated gender and women's participation in local planning processes in SNRM	Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	 Inadequate budget 	• Explore budget availability	 Integrate subcomponents on ongoing studies 	• Assessment reports
	Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	 Gender is not a priority 	 Raise awareness about long-term benefits after participating in gender workshops/ workshops 	 Conduct in-person meetings with potential participants to understand their specific needs 	 Number of trainings conducted
	Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	 Lack of transparency Inadequate budget Exclusion of women and marginalized groups 	 Increase practices for transparency through networking meetings, regular meetings Policy guidance for ensuring inter-sectionality in social audits and public hearing Adopt participatory tools for public hearing such as role-plays 	• Regular meetings/ events conducted to increase transparency	 Number of social audit/ public hearings conducted Percentage of women including Dalits and IPs participation Number of issues raised on intersectional issues
	Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and	 Inadequate interest and motivation of concerned institutions 	 Raise awareness about long-term benefits of information dissemination 	 Continuous follow-up meetings between institutions and women groups/ CBOs 	 Number of events between institutions and women groups/ CBOs

Outputs	Activities	Implementation Risk or Obstacle	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk Reduction Targets	Indicators
	resources among CBOs/ women groups				
	Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign	• Less priority	 Raise awareness about long-term benefits, social prestige 	 Continuous follow-up meetings 	• Frequency of male involvement in gender and women's issues and concerns

Intervention Packages	Outputs	Implementation risks/obstacles L=3/M=2/H=1	Cost effectiveness of risk reduction measures H=3/M=2/L1	Cost to implement L=3/M=2/H=1	Opportunity cost L=3/M=2/H=1	Incentive Measures H=3/M=2/L=1	Total score
IPack I: Climate resilient	Farmers capacitated in climate resilient agriculture	3	3	2	3	2	13
agriculture and land use practices	Improved climate-resilient land use practices	3	3	2	3	2	13
IPack 2:	Agroforestry promoted	3	3	2	3	2	13
Improving/ maintaining river system landscape	Erosion/landslide controlled and sedimentation managed	2	2	I	2	3	10
	Water sources conserved	2	2	I	2	2	9
through soil	Negative impact of flood minimized	2	2	I	I	2	8
and water conservation	Disaster risk management strengthened	2	3	3	3	2	13
IPack 3: Capacity enhancement for sustainable forest management	Forest management strengthened	2	3	2	2	3	12
IPack 4: Restoration	Improved forest cover through enrichment plantation and ANR	2	3	I	3	2	11

Intervention Packages	Outputs	Implementation risks/obstacles L=3/M=2/H=1	Cost effectiveness of risk reduction measures H=3/M=2/LI	Cost to implement L=3/M=2/H=1	Opportunity cost L=3/M=2/H=1	Incentive Measures H=3/M=2/L=1	Total score
and	Forest fire mitigated	3	2	2	2	2	11
of degraded forests	Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced	2	3	2	1	3	13
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within and outside national forest)	Forests and tree cover are restored, enhanced and maintained in the river system landscape	3	3	2	2	3	13
IPack 6: Advocacy campaign: Gender-	Increased access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	2	3	3	3	3	14
Gender- inclusive governance campaign	Integrated gender and women's participation in local planning processes in SNRM	2	3	3	3	3	14

5.5 Safeguard Analysis

		Table 20: Safe	eguard analysis (risk)						
Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators				
IPack I: Climate	IPack I: Climate resilient agriculture and land use practices								
Farmers capacitated in climate resilient agriculture	Identification and operationalization of FFS	• Participation from elite groups might be high	• Ensure participation of farmers including socially and economically marginalized group (IPs, women, Dalit etc.)	• At least 50% women, 13% Dalit and 31% Indigenous people are included in group at FFS	 % of women, Dalit and Indigenous people included in group at FFS 				
Improved climate- resilient land use practices	Train and support farmers to adopt and apply climate-resilient land use practices	• Lack of commitment by marginalized farmers	 Ensure participation of farmers including socially and economically marginalized group (IPs, women, Dalit etc.) Incentives for small farmers 	 50% women, 13% Dalit and 31% Indigenous people are included 100 % farmers involved are incentivized to adopt climate resilient agriculture 	 % of women, Dalit and Indigenous people included Proportion of marginalized farmers incentivized 				
IPack 2: Improvi	ng/maintaining river s	ystem landscape through so	il and water conservation		·				
Agroforestry promoted	Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture promotion/on-farm conservation	• Human-wildlife conflicts due to improved habitat and connectivity	• Sensitization events for human-wildlife conflict	• At least 15 sensitization events (1 at each hotspot) on reducing human wildlife conflict; improving habitat and connectivity)	• Number of sensitization events conducted				
Erosion/landslide controlled and	Landslide treatment	• Durability of the structure due to fragile geology and climatic extremes	• Ensure technically sound structure following the design guideline	 Number of planned structures follow design guideline 	• Number of structure following the guidelines				
sedimentation managed	Construction of check dams and bioengineering for	• Durability of the structure due to fragile geology and climatic extremes	• Ensure technically sound structure following the design guideline	 Design guideline followed 100 % construction workers aware about the 	• Number of structures following the guidelines				

Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators
	gully/Debris torrent protection	• Occupational hazard for the construction workers	 Provide awareness on the occupational hazards and the protective gear for the construction related works 	occupational hazards with the protective gear	• Proportion of the construction workers aware on the occupational hazards with the protective gear
Negative impact of flood minimized	Construction of embankment with bioengineering	 Improper design & implementation can lead to further degradation Occupational health risks 	 Ensure such infrastructure is planned in an integrated manner with involvement of DRR/ land use management/ engineers and/or watershed planning experts Occupational Health and Safety training and equipment support 	 100% of planned structures follow design guideline At least one OHS trainings for a site 	 Proportion of structures following design guideline Number of OHS trainings
IPack 3: Capacity	enhancement for sus	tainable forest managemen	t		
Forest management strengthened	Review/upgrade/rene w of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)	 Similar FOPs in varying topographical settings 	 Incorporate sensitivity analysis including topography, geology & geomorphic process 	 100% updated FOPs are based on sensitivity analysis 	• FOPs with sensitivity analysis
strengthened	Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs	• Selection bias of participants can lead to lower level of outcome	• Establish transparent selection criteria	 100% eligible and efficient personnel 	• More than 90% achievement level in sustainable forest management

Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators		
	Equipment support for implementation of FOPs	 Occupational health risks (injuries) due to inappropriate safety measures 	• Training on OHS good practices, protocols and equipment to Trainers/ extension staff	• 20 trainings to CFUGs	 Number of person trained 		
IPack 4: Restoration and rehabilitation of degraded forests							
Improved forest cover through enrichment plantation and ANR	Enrichment plantation/ANR	 Introduction of nonnative species can pose a risk to the local biodiversity Loss of species having current social use can worsen livelihood of marginal households 	 Promote tree species which are locally adapted/native Provision of alternatives to affected marginal households 	 100 % of the species will be locally adapted/native species 	 Proportion of local species in enrichment planation 		
Forest fire mitigated	Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs	 Firefighting without sufficient protective equipment or with inappropriate practices could lead to personal injuries Possibility of exclusion of women 	 Ensure trained groups are well aware of protective measures and procedures of fire controlling in the field through demonstration & examination Promote inclusion/participation of women 	 All members are trained At least 20% participants are women 	 Number of trained members on the use of firefighting equipment Proportion of women participants 		
	Construction and improvement of fire lines	• Excessive construction of fire line can lead to habitat fragmentation and impact on habitat connectivity	• Use existing road/trail/river/stream as fire line	• 5 Km of fire line constructed/ improved	• Length of fire line constructed/ improve		
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within and outside national forest)							
Forests and tree cover are restored,	Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries	• Land tenure issues on nursery site	 Consultation meetings Demand analysis for choice of seedlings species 	• At least I consultation meeting to screen and address the land tenure issues	 Number of nursery sites screened and land tenure issue addressed 		
Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators		
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enhanced and maintained in the river system landscape		• Limited availability of quality seed of demanded species		 At least 50% seedlings produced are of native species 	 Proportion of native species' seedlings produced 		
	Establish On-farm tree nursery	 Land tenure issues on nursery site Limited availability of quality seed of demanded species 	 Consultation meetings Demand analysis for choice of seedlings species 	 At least I consultation meeting to screen and address the land tenure issues At least 50% seedlings produced are of native species 	 Number of nursery sites screened and land tenure issue addressed Proportion of native species' seedlings produced 		
	Demonstration plantation	 Introduction of nonnative species can pose a risk to the local biodiversity Loss of current social use can worsen livelihood of marginal households 	 Promote tree species which are already locally adapted Provision of alternatives to affected marginal households 	• At least 50% of enrichment plantation will use native species	 Proportion of native species in enrichment planation 		
	Riparian/riverbank plantation	 Land tenure issue Introduction of nonnative species can pose a risk to the local biodiversity Loss of current social use can worsen livelihood of marginal households Loss and damage from flood 	 Consultation meetings with local community and municipality Promote tree species which are already locally adapted Provision of alternatives to affected marginal households Protective plantation with integration of structural measures and bioengineering techniques 	 At least I consultation meeting to screen and address the land tenure issues At least 50% of plantation will use native species 	 Number of nursery sites with screened and addressed land tenure issue Proportion of native species in planation 		

Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators
	Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	 Conflicts with neighboring landowner High value alternative crop can change woodlot practice 	 Provide support to group of landowners rather than individual 	 90% landowners who received support will develop woodlots 	• Area of woodlots established
IPack 6: Advocacy	y campaign: Gender-ii	nclusive governance campai	gn		
Increased access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	 Possibility of elite women capture Possibility of the exclusion of Dalits and IPs women Social norms and values restricting women to participate and give time for informal learning and sharing platforms 	 Promote inclusion/participation of Dalits and IPs (Women) Organize sensitization learning events to remove restrictions 	 At least 20% participants are Dalits and IPs women At least one gender sensitization learning event per year 	 % of Dalits and IPs women Number of gender sensitization learning events
	Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	• Change in gender roles not easily accepted posing threats to social norms and values	• Conduct GESI trainings and awareness campaigns and policy reviews to strengthen the GESI initiatives	 50% men and women know about the GESI policy and integration strategies 	 Province and local level policy reviewed
	Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	 Gendered governance restricting women to participate Women participation in NRM sectors can pose threat to social change 	 Document of good and best practices in gendered governance that has minimized social discrimination and women empowered reducing GBV as well 	 Gendered governance best practices documented and learning shared for social change 	 Best practices in gendered governance documented and published

Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators
	Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	 Women not being empowered could hinder their participation Leadership discrimination among women and elite captures 	 Rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in NRM/CRLUP and management to be conducted and shared for minimizing social barriers 	 % of women's contribution and involvement analyzed and further plans developed 	 Rapid assessment conducted
Integrated gender and women's	Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	 ide gender istreaming ings/ workshops cal government CBOs • GESI not prioritized • Trainings to be provided to mainstream gender increasing the trend of preparing action plans as GESI priority • More that the provided to mainstream gender increasing the trend of preparing action plans as GESI well adopted 	 % of understanding level and mainstreaming of GESI well adopted 	 GESI mainstreaming training and workshops raised awareness 	
participation in local planning processes in SNRM	Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	 Inclusive transparency and practices limited and not prioritized 	• Regularly conduct GESI focused audits and public hearing to increase transparency and good governance	 % of local institutions practice GESI focused social audits and public hearing for social and strong governance practice 	 GESI focused social audit and public hearing conducted regularly
	Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups	 Gender responsive awareness not shared or available as they are not prioritized 	• Awareness promotion on gender responsive information and ensure to make available to all	 % of CBOs and women groups made aware on gender responsive information and access to resources increased 	 Gender responsive information and availability access made easy

Outputs	Activities	Social & Environmental risk	Risk reduction measures	Risk reduction targets	Indicators
	Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign	 Men not interested for social change and not supportive too Women participation not ensured in NRM/CRLUP and management 	 Advocating GESI and women's issues among male and inform on transformative change and recognizing women's voice for change, reduce GBV 	 % of male engagement in GESI and women's issues help change the social norms and values 	• Male involvement increased in advocacy of GESI and women's issues and minimized social disparities

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators		
IPack I: Climate	resilient agriculture and la	nd use practices					
Farmers capacitated in climate resilient agriculture	Identification and operationalization of FFS	 Increased farm productivity 	 Continuity of FFS for longer period (one crop cycle may not be sufficient) Integration of FFS in municipal agriculture section2 	 FFS operated for whole project period All FFS will be integrated in respective municipal agriculture section 	 Number of FFS operated for whole project period Number of FFS owned and run by local government 		
Improved climate- resilient land use practices	Train farmers on climate- resilient land use practices	 Enhance soil organic carbon Sustain farm productivity 	 Provide financial, equipment and technological support to farmers adopting climate resilient land use practices3 Promote climate resilient commercial farming in collaboration with local government4 Promote organic farming and Integrated Pest Management system 	 At least 50% farmers adopting climate resilient land use practices will be supported Project will support at least one municipality for institutional procedures and marketing At least 50% share of fertilizer and pesticides is organic 	 Proportion of farmers supported Number of municipality assisting institutional procedures and marketing Decrease in use of chemical fertilizer and pesticides 		
IPack 2: Improvi	IPack 2: Improving/maintaining river system landscape through soil and water conservation						
Agroforestry promoted	Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture	• Erosion control	• Prioritize cash crops, fast growing fodder trees and grasses	• At least 50% cash crops and fodder trees	• Proportion of cash crops and fodder trees in plantation		

Table 21: Safeguard analysis (benefits)

² Development of FFS as on-farm learning center in the long run (even after project completion)

³ Seed money, soft loans, crop/livestock insurance, production based incentives, seed bank, subsidies in farm equipments, support for alternative irrigation facilities (earthbag ponds, drip irrigation, rainwater harvesting, deep boring, solar pumps and others), storage (cold store, chilling center) and processing facilities

⁴ Assist in institutional procedures including registration, PAN acquisition, accounting, renewal and others; marketing support (branding, packaging, negotiations)

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
	promotion/on-farm conservation	 Enhance income generation opportunities Decrease in forest dependency 			
Erosion/landslide	Landslide treatment	 Reduce loss and damage Reduce sedimentation 	 Prioritize high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering 	 At least 50% use of high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering 	• Proportion use of high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering
controlled and sedimentation managed	Construction of check dams and bioengineering for gully/Debris torrent protection	 Reduce sedimentation in downstream Reduce risks of flash floods and minimize settlement vulnerability 	 Prioritize high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering 	 At least 50% use of high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering 	• Proportion use of high value multipurpose plant species for bioengineering
Negative impact of flood minimized	Construction of embankment with bioengineering	• Reduce riverbank erosion and loss and damage from flood	 Construction of sedimentation dams in midstream Extraction and utilization of siltation through detail environmental assessment Use of bamboo/other income generating plants for bioengineering 	 At least 25 sedimentation dams 100% embankments with plantation 	 Number of sedimentation dams Proportion of embankments with plantation
IPack 3: Capacity	enhancement for sustaina	ble forest managemer	nt		
	Review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans	 Support annual silvicultural operations for 	 Update FOPs with sensitivity analysis based on local scenario 	 100% CFUGs update FOPs with sensitivity analysis and integrating 	• Proportions of CFUGs with updated FOPs

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
Forest management strengthened	(FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)	sustainable forest management	 Integrate forest based entrepreneurship development and income generation Multi-stakeholder sharing for quality assurance of FOPs 	forest based entrepreneurship development	
	Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs	 Enhance capacity of CFUGs on sustainable forest management 	 Involve all CFUGs within River System in trainings 	 100% CFUGs participate in trainings 	 Proportion of CFUGs participating in trainings
	Equipment support for implementation of FOPs	 Enhance capacity of CFUGs on sustainable forest management 	 Support all CFUGs within River System 	 100% CFUGs receive equipment support 	 Proportion of CFUGs receiving equipment support
	Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (ToF)	 Increase skilled manpower on climate resilient forest management 	• Sensitize 100% users of community forest on climate resilient forest management	• At least 90% users will be aware of climate resilient forest management	 Proportion of users participating in sensitization program
	Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency	• Good forest governance	 Public hearing Make information available in DFO websites 	• Bi-annual public hearing and update of website information	 Number of public hearings annually Availability of information in websites
IPack 4: Restorat	tion and rehabilitation of de	graded forests	•		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Improved forest cover through enrichment	Enrichment plantation/ANR	• Enhance forest quality and carbon stock	 Plantation of fast growing and locally adapted plant species 	• At least 70% of fast growing and locally	 Proportion of fast growing and locally

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
plantation and ANR			 Promoting natural regeneration Bio-fencing for protection 	adapted/native plant species	adapted/native plant species
Forest fire mitigated	Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs	• Enhance capacity on forest fire control	• Collaborate with security institutions and also provide equipment support	• At least 10 sets of firefighting equipment to security institutions	 Sets of firefighting equipment supported
	Training and equipment support to promote compost production	 Increase in soil organic content in farmlands 	 Compensate litter collectors and provide subsidy to compost manure Production based subsidy in organic farming 	• At least 50% share of fertilizer is compost manure	 Number of households practicing composting
	Construction and improvement of fire lines	• Provides barrier to slow or stop the progress of wildfire	 Regular maintenance Construct fire line as forest product collecting route 	• Annual maintenance before fire season	 Number of fire line free of litters in dry season
IPack 5: Restorat	tion of river system landsca	pe (within and outside	e national forest)		
Forests and tree	Establish and support multi- purpose tree nurseries	• Enhance seedling availability for plantation	• Demand based seedling production (fruit, fodder etc.)	 Seedling production will meet 100% demand 	• Proportion of seedlings used for plantation
cover are restored, enhanced and maintained in the river system landscape	Establish On-farm tree nursery	 Enhance seedling availability for plantation 	 Demand based seedling production (fruit, fodder etc.) 	 Seedling production will meet 100% demand 	• Proportion of seedlings used for plantation
	Demonstration plantation	 Increase biodiversity Enhance carbon stock 	• Ecotourism promotion and research center	• At least I demonstration plantation site used for ecotourism promotion and research center	• Number of demonstration plantation site used for ecotourism promotion and research center

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
	Riparian/riverbank plantation	 Increase biodiversity Enhance carbon stock Reduce riverbank erosion 	 Plantation of fodder species, fruits, bamboo, Khayar (Acacia catechu), Sissoo (Dalbergia sissoo) and other high value species including grass Ownership of plantation area to local community 	• At least 50% fodder species	 Proportion of fodder species
	Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	 Reduces forest dependency and hence forest degradation Enhance carbon stock 	 Facilitate woodland development in unregistered lands on collaboration with local government Additional incentives to promote woodlots in adjacent private land along river banks 	• At least 50% additional incentives for woodlot development in adjacent private land along river banks	 Number/area of woodlots in adjacent private land along river banks
IPack 6: Advocac	y campaign: Gender-inclusi	ve governance campa	ign		
Increased access	Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	 Women empowered and their voices being respected 	• Create and manage learning platform	• Five learning events	• Number of learning events
of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	• Women's participation, access, control and leadership developed and supported	 Interaction held between policy makers and targeted women 	• One event	• Number of events

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
	Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	 Documentation and publication of gendered governance strengthened and institutionalized 	• Sharing and publicity	 One best practice documented 	 Number of best practices documented
Integrated gender	Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	 Women's contribution and participation increased 	• Gender data disseminated	• One Sharing event	 Number of sharing events
	Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	• Women's capacity enhanced in GESI integration and local government and CBOs take the issues seriously	 Knowledge enhancement, accountability 	 One training event for 20 government staffs 	 Number of training events
and women's participation in local planning	Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	 Social transparency increased and regularly practiced 	 Coverage of wider audience target group 	• Two events	• Number of events
processes in SNRM	Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups	 Gender responsive information making women and marginalized groups empowered 	• Awareness raising sessions	• Three events	• Number of events
	Engage male involvement to advocate gender and	 Male roles changing and supportive for 	 Continues encouragement of male change agent to promote gender 	• Two events	• Number of events

Outputs	Activities	Benefits	Benefit enhancement measures	Benefit enhancement targets	Indicators
	women's issues and concern in campaign	women empowerment			

5.6 Budget

Note: Budget estimations are tentative and done based on consultation workshops with key stakeholders at river system level during 2022. However, during time of implementation, the rate and amount mentioned in the CERP plans are subjected to change based on the changes in market situation as well as the field condition. Respective Provincial Project Management Offices (PPMUs) can make necessary changes based on field situation following the norms and rates as per the Nepal government rules and regulations.

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)						
IPack I: Climate resilient agriculture and land use practices										
Identification and operationalization of FFS	No	5	700,000	3,500,000						
Capacity-building in the use of weather information and its application in agricultural practices	No	3	100,000	300,000						
Implement climate resilient agriculture practices	ha	10,686.15	2,000	21,372,297.33						
Train and support farmers to adopt and apply climate-resilient land use practices	Events	10	450,000	4,500,000						
Total Budget for IPack I (NRs)29,672,297.										
IPack 2: Improving/ maintaining river system landscape through soil and wate	er conservation									
Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture promotion/on-farm conservation	ha	1,773	6,000	10,638,000						
Landslide treatment	No	3		7,000,000						
Construction of check dams and bio-fencing for gully/debris torrent protection	Gully/debris torrent	9		18,000,000						
Wetland management	No	2		2,000,000						
Construction of embankments with bioengineering	m	660	30,000	19,800,000						

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)
Strengthening climate and disaster risk reduction mechanism in collaboration with local government	Municipality/Rural municipality	5	300,000	1,500,000
Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio-engineering	Event	I	500,000	500,000
Climate resilient awareness campaign through Eco-clubs	School	10	50,000	500,000
Total Budget for IPack 2 (NRs)				59,938,000
IPack 3: Capacity enhancement for sustainable forest management		I		
Support review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)	No	64	200,000	12,800,000
Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs	No	64	250,000	16,000,000
Equipment support for implementation of FOPs	No	64	200,000	12,800,000
Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (ToF)	Event	4	300,000	1,200,000
Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency	Event	10	240,000	2,400,000
Total Budget for IPack 3 (NRs)				45,200,000
IPack 4: Restoration and rehabilitation of degraded forests		I		
Enrichment plantation	ha	20.94	50,000	1,046,819
Implement Assisted Natural Regeneration	ha	712	20,000	14,240,000

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)				
Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs	CFUG	20	300,000	6,000,000				
Support firefighting equipment to security institution	Set	10	150,000	1,500,000				
Training and equipment support to promote compost production from bushes and leaf litters	CFUG	5	150,000	750,000				
Construction and improvement of fire lines	Km	5	300,000	1,500,000				
Customize fire alert system in Community Based Forest Management (CBFM)	No	I	LS	300,000				
Skill development trainings and equipment support	Hh	300	25,000	7,500,000				
Total Budget for IPack 4 (NRs)				32,836,819				
IPack 5: Restoration of river system landscape (within and outside national forest)								
Establish and support multi-purpose tree nursery (150,000 capacity)	No	2	١,000,000	2,000,000				
Establish and support multi-purpose tree nursery (50,000 capacity)	No	I	500,000	500,000				
Production of saplings	No	350,000	40	14,000,000				
Establish On-farm tree nursery	No	I	600,000	600,000				
Demonstration plantation	ha	71.5	500,000	35,750,000				
Riparian/River bank plantation	ha	358.15	600,000	214,889,661				
Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	ha	250	250,000	62,500,000				

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)
Total Budget for IPack 5 (NRs)				330,239,661
IPack 6: Advocacy campaign: Gender-inclusive governance campaign	I			
Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	Event	5	50,000	250,000
Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	Event	I	50,000	50,000
Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	Event	I	50,000	50,000
Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	Event	I	100,000	100,000
Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	Event	I	100,000	100,000
Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	Event	2	150,000	300,000
Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups	Meeting	3	50,000	150,000
Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign	Event	2	50,000	100,000
Total Budget for IPack 6 (NRs)				1,100,000
Grand Total Budget (NRs)				498,986,777.33

Note: Budget estimations are tentative and are subjected to change based on the changes in market situation as well as the field condition.

5.7 Monitoring and Reporting Protocol

River system level monitoring and reporting will be carried out by Ministry of Forest and Environment through PMU and PPMU of BRCRN.

Following monitoring protocol will be adopted to monitor the outputs of the CERP:

Results	Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of Verification	Assumption
Output 1: Restored degraded forests area halting forest fire, illegal harvesting and grazing	Area (in ha.) of natural forest restored through ANR and enrichment plantation	0	732.94 ha of natural forest restored through ANR (including 20.94 ha enrichment plantation)	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	This river system has 21998 ha of forest with 227 ton/ha biomass and 714 ha of other wooded land with 38.75 ton/ha biomass
Output 2: Improved natural Forest management and increased forest area outside the forest	xx ha of forest area of xx groups under implementation through updated forest management plan	0	20145 ha. forest area managed by 64 forestry user groups	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	This river system has 64 forestry user groups managing 20145 ha of forest including 17314 ha (85.94%) natural forest, 340 (1.69%) of plantation forest and 2491(12.37%) degraded forest
	Area (ha) of new plantation outside forest area; and their survival rate (public land forestry and private forestry)	0 ha.	At least: Area: 680 ha. Survival rate: 80%		Plantation include 71.5 ha demonstration plantation, 358 ha river bank plantation and 250 ha wood lots
Output 3: Minimized Impacts of climate induced disasters (erosion, landslides/ sedimentation and flooding)	Volume of sedimentation reduced	0	25% in comparison to before constructing structures	In-person assessments at lower gabions PMU/PPMUs/project report	Other climate-resilient SNRM practices (including Activities on climate-resilient land use, sustainable management of forests and reforestation) are successfully implemented, further reducing potential for erosion and sedimentation

Table 23: Monitoring Protocol

Results	Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of Verification	Assumption
Output 4: Farmers adopted Climate resilient farming practices	Ha. of agricultural land under climate resilient agriculture	0 ha	At least 10,686.15 ha	PMU/PPMUs/project report	
Output Ei Integrated	Proportion of farmers trained by the project who begin to apply climate- resilient land use practices on their fields in the relevant season following their respective trainings	Out of 479	At least 80% of the farmers involved in project trainings begun to apply project- promoted climate- resilient land use practices in the season following their training		The final selection of practices to be promoted at each specific training site are highly relevant to targeted farmers' cropping systems and conditions, as well as the climate change challenges with which they must contend. Trainings are delivered in a form and manner that is accessible to and relevant for, targeted farmers.
output 5: Integrated gender and equity issues in governance practices in NRM/ CRLUP and management	% of women in leadership positions of CBO's executive committee	leadership positions in 64 forestry groups, 281 (41.4%) are women	leadership position	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	all social groups ensured
	Access of women in Natural resources management, CRLUP, knowledge and information	0	At least 50% women participation in all events	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	Proportional representation of all social groups ensured
	Integrate gender in local planning processes in NRM/ CRLUP and management	0	64 Gender sensitive plan including forest management operational plan of forestry user groups	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	Gender dimensions ensured in climate resilient plan including forest management operational plan of groups This river system has 64 CFUGs.

Outcome and impact level result assessment will be carried out based on result framework of CERP (Annex-I) using BRCRN monitoring and evaluation framework. Output level results of this CERP fully aligned with the BRCRN outcome and impact indicators.

Activity level monitoring will be carried out based on work plan and budget. Joint monitoring mechanism will be established to monitor the activity and results.

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Annex-I: Result Framework of Kankai Critical Ecosystem Restoration Plan

Vision: Climate resilient and sustainably managed Natural Resources and local communities in Kankai River system

Result Framework

Expected Results	Objectively verifiable Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of verification	Assumptions
Impacts					
GCF core indicator (Mitigation) A4.0 Improved resilience of ecosystems and ecosystem services (proxi indicator 2 to 5)	Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO ₂ eq) reduced or avoided. Proxy indicator : Area of (1) Deforestation rate: (2) Sustainable forest management area: (3) ANR area (4) Plantation area (5) Area of Climate Resilient Agriculture (CRA)	Proxy indicators: Deforestation rate: 0.03% Sustainable forest management area: 0 ha ANR: 0 ha Plantation area: 0 ha Climate Resilient Agriculture: 0 ha	Proxy indicator: At least: Deforestation rate: 0 Sustainable forest management area: 20145 ha Plantation area: 680 ha ANR: 732.94 ha Climate Resilient Agriculture: 10686 ha	PPMUs/PMU report GCF/BRCRN GHG mitigation calculation tool-based calculation sheet	This river system has 21998 ha of forest with 227 ton/ha biomass and 714 ha of other wooded land with 38.75 ton/ha biomass This river system has 64 forestry user groups managing 20145 ha of forest including 17314 ha (85.94%) natural forest, 340 (1.69%) of plantation forest and 2491(12. CERP identified 138.5 ha deforested area between 2000 and 2019; hence -0.03% deforestation rate Project assumed 2% increase in density (biomass)

Expected Results	Objectively verifiable Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of verification	Assumptions
GCF core indicator (Adaptation)	Total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries (gender disaggregated)	0	Direct: Male: 38060 male Female: 41453 female)	PMU, PPMU reports Project report	This river system has 15960 HHs with 79513 population (38060 male and 41453 female) associated with forestry user groups
Outcomes					
M9.0 Improved management of land or forest areas contributing to	M9.1 Hectares of land or forests under improved and effective management that contributes to CO ₂ emission	0	Sustainable forest management area: 20145 ha Plantation area: 680 ha ANR: 732.94 ha Climate Resilient	PMU and PPMUs reports Project reports	Project assumed 2% increase in density (biomass)
emissions reductions	reductions		Agriculture: 10686 ha		
A8.0 Strengthened awareness of climate change threats and risk reduction processes	A8.1 Number of males and females made aware of climate threats and related appropriate responses	0 men 0 women 0 total	At least: Male: 38060 male Female: 41453 female) Total: 79513	PMU, PPMUs and Project report Workshop/training Attendance sheets and materials	
Outputs				-	
Output 1: Restored degraded forests area halting forest fire, illegal harvesting and grazing	Area (in ha.) of natural forest restored through ANR and enrichment plantation	0	732.94 ha of natural forest restored through ANR (including 20.94 ha enrichment plantation)	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	This river system has 21998 ha of forest with 227 ton/ha biomass and 714 ha of other wooded land with 38.75 ton/ha biomass
Output 2: Improved natural Forest management and increased forest area outside the forest	xx ha of forest area of xx groups under implementation through updated forest management plan	0	20145 ha. forest area managed by 64 forestry user groups	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	This river system has 64 forestry user groups managing 20145 ha of forest including 17314 ha (85.94%) natural forest, 340 (1.69%) of plantation forest and

Expected Results	Objectively verifiable Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of verification	Assumptions
					2491(12.37%) degraded
	Area (ha) of new plantation outside forest area; and their survival rate (public land forestry and private forestry)	0 ha.	At least: Area: 680 ha. Survival rate: 80%	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	Plantation include 71.5 ha demonstration plantation, 358 ha river bank plantation and 250 ha wood lots
Output 3: Minimized Impacts of climate induced disasters (erosion, landslides/ sedimentation and flooding)	Volume of sedimentation reduced	0	25% in comparison to before constructing structures	In-person assessments at lower gabions PMU/PPMUs/project report	Other climate-resilient SNRM practices (including Activities on climate-resilient land use, sustainable management of forests and reforestation) are successfully implemented, further reducing potential for erosion and sedimentation
Output 4: Farmers adopted Climate resilient farming practices	Ha. of agricultural land under climate resilient agriculture	0 ha	At least 10,686.15 ha	PMU/PPMUs/project report	
	Proportion of farmers trained by the project who begin to apply climate- resilient land use practices on their fields in the relevant season following their respective trainings		At least 80% of the farmers involved in project trainings begun to apply project- promoted climate-resilient land use practices in the season following their training	PMU, PPMUs reports Project report	The final selection of practices to be promoted at each specific training site are highly relevant to targeted farmers' cropping systems and conditions, as well as the climate change challenges with which they must contend. Trainings are delivered in a form and manner that is accessible to and relevant for, targeted farmers.

Expected Results	Objectively verifiable Indicator	Baseline	Target	Means of verification	Assumptions
Output 5: Integrated gender and equity issues in governance practices in NRM/ CRLUP and management	% of women in leadership positions of CBO's executive committee	Out of 678 leadership positions in 64 forestry groups, 281 (41.4%) are women	At least 50% women in leadership position	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	Proportional representation of all social groups ensured
	Access of women in Natural resources management, CRLUP, knowledge and information	0	At least 50% women participation in all events	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	Proportional representation of all social groups ensured
	Integrate gender in local planning processes in NRM/ CRLUP and management	0	64 Gender sensitive plan including forest management operational plan of forestry user groups	PMU, PPMUs report Project report	Gender dimensions ensured in climate resilient plan including forest management operational plan of groups This river system has 64 CFUGs.

Activities	Description	Sub-activities	Remarks/Deliverables
Output I: Restored degra	ded forests area halting forest fire	, illegal harvesting and grazing	
1.1 Forest fire control	Support and strengthen forestry- related CBOs to combat forest fire.	 1.1.1 Firefighter training and support firefighting equipment to CFUGs 1.1.2 Training and equipment support to promote compost production 1.1.3 Support firefighting equipment to security institution/DFO/Groups (from budget plan) 1.1.4 Construction and improvement of fire lines 1.1.5 Customize fire alert system in Community Based Forest Management (CBFM) 	At least 20 CFUGs of most fire prone community forests supported with firefighting equipment About 5 km of fire lines established/improved
I.2 Income source of poor/marginalized forest users enhanced halting illegal harvesting	Enhance income generation opportunities for forest dependent women, IPs, Dalits and poor/marginalized people to reduce pressure on forest resources.	1.2.1 Skill development trainings and equipment support	Approximately 300 household beneficiaries
Output 2: Improved natur	ral Forest management and increa	sed forest area outside the forest	
2.1 Strengthening forest management	Improving the application of sustainable forest management practices in all forest land managed by forestry-related CBOs within project area, ensuring silvicultural practices are implemented and maximizing ecosystem service provision and resilience, as well as generating significant climate change benefits.	 2.1.1Review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community based forest user groups (CFUGs) and provide implementation support 2.1.2 Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs 2.1.3 Equipment support for implementation of FOPs 2.1.4 Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (Training of Facilitators) 2.1.5 Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency 	Approximately 64 forest operational plans developed and/or strengthened. Approximately 4 ToF events organized to capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management.
2.2 Improvement of forest cover through enrichment plantation and ANR	Support different types of forest plantation to build resilience and deliver important mitigation benefits.	2.2.1 Enrichment plantation/Assisted natural regeneration in forest area	Enrichment plantation/ANR implemented on 732.94 ha of community managed forest land.

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Activities	Description	Sub-activities	Remarks/Deliverables
2.3 Restoration, enhancement and maintenance of forests and tree cover in the river system landscape through Public and private forestry	Establish tree nurseries in the project area to support tree planting and forest restoration under this project, as well as planting and restoration by communities throughout the project area during and after the project implementation. Support expansion of forest cover and restoration of forest landscapes in critical locations of river system, thereby restoring crucial ecosystem functions and ecosystem resilience while also generating significant mitigation benefits.	 2.3.1 Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries 2.3.2 Demonstration plantation 2.3.3 Riparian/River bank plantation 2.3.4 Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots and incentivize tree plantation 	 3 multi-purpose nurseries established 71.5 ha of demonstration plantation established 358.15 ha of riparian/river bank plantation established 250 ha of woodlots established in private land
Output 3: Minimized impa	acts of climate induced disasters (erosion, landslides/sedimentation and flooding)	
3.1 Controlling erosion/landslide and management of sedimentation	Construct local structures, as well as bioengineering that will reduce community vulnerability to erosion and landslides.	 3.1.1 Landslide treatment 3.1.2 Construction of check dams and bioengineering for gully/Debris torrent protection 3.1.3 Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio-engineering 	Establish relevant structures and practices to stabilize 3 landslides and 9 gully/debris torrents mostly in Churia hills
3.2 Minimization of negative impact of Flood	Construct local structures, as well as bioengineering that will reduce community vulnerability to flooding	3.2.1 Construction of embankments with bioengineering	Establish relevant structures and practices for riverbank stabilization
3.3 Conservation and management of water sources	Management of existing wetlands that will enhance water availability and the at the same time supports groundwater recharge	3.3.1 Wetland management	2 wetlands managed
3.4 Strengthening disaster risk management and awareness creation on climate resilient NRM	Improving disaster risk management in collaboration with local government and capacity strengthening for disaster risk reduction, as well as awareness	 3.4.1 Strengthening climate and disaster risk reduction mechanism in collaboration with local government 3.4.2 Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio-engineering 3.4.3 Climate resilient awareness campaign through Eco-clubs 	5 days training for Government staffs/CBFMG/Farmer groups on soil and watershed conservation using bio- engineering

Activities	Description	Sub-activities	Remarks/Deliverables
	creation for climate resilient natural		Student-run eco-clubs
			established
Output 4: Farmers adopte	ed Climate resilient farming pract	ices	
4.1 Establish and operationalize Farmers field schools (FFS)	Establish training sites on which farmers can be trained on climate resilient farming practices during and after the project.	 4.1.1 Operationalize Farmer's Field Schools on adopting climate resilient land use practices 4.1.2 Capacity-building in the use of weather information and its application in agricultural practices 	5 FFS established and operational
4.2 Implementation of climate-resilient land use practices (pest and disease minimized, soil quality improved, irrigation facility enhanced)	Support and strengthen farmers' capacities to adopt/apply climate- resilient farming practices in their own fields.	 4.2.1 Implement climate resilient agriculture practices (including pest and disease control, soil quality improvement, irrigation facility enhancement) 4.2.2 Train and support farmers to adopt and apply climate-resilient land use practices 	Climate-resilient land use practices adopted/applied in 10,686.15 ha of farmlands
4.3 Agroforestry Promotion	Support and strengthen farmers' capacity to adopt/apply suitable agroforestry and livestock management practices on their own land.	 4.3.1 Promote agroforestry with multiyear cropping/horticulture promotion/on-farm conservation 4.3.2 Establish on-farm tree nursery and support livestock rearing 4.3.3 Production/Purchase of saplings 	I on-farm tree nursery established Agroforestry established in I,773 ha marginal land
Output 5: Integrated gend	ler and equity issues in governanc	e practices in NRM/ CRLUP and management	
5.1 Increase access of women to SNRM and knowledge and information	Establish platforms for women's involvement and access to knowledge and information, as well as build capacity in natural resource management and climate resilient land use practices	 5.1.1 Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women 5.1.2 Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership 5.1.3 Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance 	With enhanced access to knowledge and information, more women involved in in natural resource management and climate resilient land use practices
5.2 Integrate gender in local planning processes in SNRM	Sensitize CBOs, women groups, local government and other concerned stakeholders on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources to ensure GESI integration in local planning processes for natural resource	 5.2.1 Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM 5.2.2 Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs and concerned stakeholders 5.2.3 Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing 	GESI integration ensured in in local planning processes for natural resource management and climate resilient land use practices

Activities	Description	Sub-activities	Remarks/Deliverables
	management and climate resilient land use practices	 5.2.4 Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups 5.2.5 Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign 	

Annex-2: List of Participants

A. Problem and Solution A	analysis Workshop (Upstr	eam)		
Name of River System		Kankai		
Section		Upstream		
Date of Workshop		April 11 - 12, 2022		
Venue		Namuna CFUG Office Hall		
Location		Danabari, Mai Municipality-2, Jhapa		
	Total Participants	42		
	Male Participants	33		
Participants' Information	Female Participants	9		
	Total No. of Dalits	I		
	Total No. of Ips	17		

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2	Sada Nanda Chaulagain	Mai-2	Namuna CFUG	Member	9814036046
3	Krishna Raj Angdemne	Arjundhara-2	Namuna CFUG	Joint-Scretary	
4	Indra Mani Dhungana	Arjundhara-2	Namuna CFUG	Treasurer	9827905825
5	Junu Rai Fago	Mai-4	Namuna CFUG	Secretary	9815997398
6	Ram Bahadur Rai	Mai-4	Namuna CFUG	Joint-Scretary	9804957850
7	Chabi Lal Aacharya	Mai-4	Namuna CFUG	Chairman	9824409743
8	Pemba Tamang	Mai-I	Namuna CFUG	User	9817076566
9	Kabita Khulal	Mai-I	Pragati Namuna CFUG	Secretary	9842750691
10	Sabitra Giri	Mai-I	Pragati Namuna CFUG	Member	9825961972
11	Til Bahadur	Mai-5	Kalikhola CFUG	Chairman	
12	Ambika Devi Portel	Mai-5	Kalikhola CFUG	Secretary	9814901362
13	Devi Prashad Nepal	Mai-5	Dahaltar CFUG	Chairman	9842629613
14	Gyan Bahadur Katuwal	Mai-2	Sayapatri CFUG	Member	9862633573
15	Chandra Prashad Fago Limbu	Mai-4	Kalpataru CFUG	Member	9804915254

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17	Laxmani Panchkoti	Mai-4	Namuna CFUG	User	9827944604
18	Tanka Bhattarai	Mai-4	Sukhani CFUG		9824913218
19	Om Prakash Bhattarai	Mai-4	Sukhani CFUG		9818862034
20	Govinda Sotang	Mai-I	Sadhuwa CFUG		9804994708
21	Tej Bahadur Ghimire	Mai-3	Jhantechuli CFUG	User	9852674055
22	Dhan Bahadur Tamang	Mai-2	Sayapatri CFUG	Chairman	9817039277
23	Mala Lawati	Mai-2	Sayapatri CFUG		
24	Bhupal Bahadur Sijali	Mai-4	Sunakhari CFUG	User	9823108631
25	Mahalal Lawati	Mai-2	Sayapatri CFUG		
26	Heema Bhandari	Mai-10	Bagaincha Sero CFUG		9817993587
27	Makar Dhwoja Rai	Mai-4	Namuna CFUG	Staff	9824007332
28	Khadka Bahadur Thapa	Mai-8	Shree Sulbari CFUG		9804955602
29	Chandra Bahadur Niraula	Mai-8	Shree Sulbari CFUG	Chairman	9842704477
30	Bishal Rai	Mai-4	Sunakhari CFUG	Member	9816060208
31	Bimal Kumar Dahal	Mai-4	Nepal Patrakar Mahasangh	Member	9852675514
32	Subash Niraula	Mai-8,7	Fulbari CFUG	User	9803392791
33	Netra Kumari Khanal	Mai-2	Namuna CFUG	Member	9842729451
34	Tek Bahadur Lujami Magar	Mai-4	Laligurans CFUG	Chairman	9825906554
35	Umesh Budhathoki	Sunsari	BRCRN-Itahari		9857085564
36	Setu Tamang	Mai-8	Janajati Mahasang-Mai Nagar Samanwaya Parishad, Illam		9842713329
37	Gyan Bahadur Gurbachan Magar	Mai-4	Kalpataru CFUG	Member	9826943067
38	Mohan Das Rai	Mai-4	Sukhani CFUG	User	9814931856
39	Deepak Kumal	Mai-8	Private Forest	Chairman	
40	Khadka Prashad Dulal	Mai-2	Namuna CFUG	User	9842732725
41	Nara Bahadur Samal	Mai-4	Sukhani CFUG	Advisor	9815050552
42	Chandrakala Shrestha	Mai-I	Pashupati CFUG	Chairman	9816962493

Disaggregated Participants Data

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I	Chandra Mani Poudel	Ι				I				
2	Sada Nanda Chaulagain	I				I				
3	Krishna Raj Angdemne	I		Ι						
4	Indra Mani Dhungana	I				I				
5	Junu Rai Fago		I	I						
6	Ram Bahadur Rai	I		I						
7	Chabi Lal Aacharya	I				I				
8	Pemba Tamang	I		I						
9	Kabita Khulal		I				I			
10	Sabitra Giri		I					I		
11	Til Bahadur	I								
12	Ambika Devi Portel		I		I					
13	Devi Prashad Nepal	I				I				
14	Gyan Bahadur Katuwal	I					Ι			
15	Chandra Prashad Fago Limbu	I		Ι						
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17	Laxmani Panchkoti	I				I				
18	Tanka Bhattarai	I				I				
19	Om Prakash Bhattarai	I				I				
20	Govinda Sotang	Ι		I						
21	Tej Bahadur Ghimire	I				I				
22	Dhan Bahadur Tamang	I		I						
23	Mala Lawati		I	I						
24	Bhupal Bahadur Sijali	I					I			
25	Mahalal Lawati	I		I						
26	Heema Bhandari		I			I				
27	Makar Dhwoja Rai	I		I						
28	Khadka Bahadur Thapa	I					I			
29	Chandra Bahadur Niraula	I					I			

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N.	Participants	Mal e	Femal e	Janajat i	Dali t	Brahmi n	Chhettr i	Dasnam i	Madhes i	Musli m
30	Bishal Rai	I		I						
31	Bimal Kumar Dahal	I				I				
32	Subash Niraula	I				I				
33	Netra Kumari Khanal		I				I			
34	Tek Bahadur Lujami Magar	Ι		I						
35	Umesh Budhathoki	Ι					I			
36	Setu Tamang	Ι		I						
37	Gyan Bahadur Gurbachan Magar	I		I						
38	Mohan Das Rai	Ι		I						
39	Deepak Kumal	Ι		I						
40	Khadka Prashad Dulal	I				I				
41	Nara Bahadur Samal	Ι					I			
42	Chandrakala Shrestha		I	I						
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В.	Problem and	Solution Ana	lysis Worksho	р ((Midstream)	
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Name of River System		Kankai
Section		Midstream
Date of Workshop		April 24 - 25, 2022
Venue		Gaide CFUG Office Hall
Location		Maidhar, Shivasatakshi-10, Jhapa
	Total Participants	26
	Male Participants	19
Participants' Information	Female Participants	7
	Total No. of Dalits	0
	Total No. of Ips	5

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2	Man Bahadur Khadka	Shivasataxi-11	Mainachuli CFUG	Member	9815023644
3	Punya Prashad Bhandari	Shivasataxi-11	Mainachuli CFUG	Member	9804941123
4	Pratima Rokka	Shivasataxi-11	Mainachuli CFUG	Member	9817096167
5	Ghan Shyam Magar	Shivasataxi-11	Mainachuli CFUG	Member	9826909134
6	Sapana Thatal	Shivasataxi-8	Satashidham CFUG	Member	9804907903
7	Sabita Bista	Shivasataxi-8	Satashidham CFUG	Member	9814059328
8	Harka Bahadur Khadka	Shivasataxi-10	Bali Bikash Sangh	Secretary	9808348378
9	Nain Bahadur Tamang	Shivasataxi-10	Gaide CFUG	User	
10	Nara Bahadur Thapaliya	Shivasataxi-10	Gaide CFUG	Chairman	9807936583
11	Chandra Subba	Shivasataxi-10	Gaide CFUG	Staff	9825923954
12	Arjun Chauhan	Shivasataxi-10	Gaide CFUG	Member	9807933877
13	Rubin Neupane	Shivasataxi-10	Gaide CFUG	Accountant	9807996974
14	Sujan Bhattarai	Shivasataxi-8	Kankai Krishi Tatha Pashupalan	Member	9824973523
15	Deu Prashad Sharma	Shivasataxi-8	Chulachuli CFUG	Member	
16	Prem Kumar Rokka	Shivasataxi-8	Chulachuli CFUG	Member	9841389957
17	Tika Ram Upreti	Shivasataxi-8	Chulachuli CFUG	Secretary	9817213601
18	Arjun Chapagain	Shivasataxi-8	Chulachuli CFUG		9816064705
19	Rukmani Bhandari	Shivasataxi-8	Damak Sub-Division Forest Office		9842109549
20	Yek Raj Dahal	Damak Sub-Division Forest Office	Damak Sub-Division Forest Office		9852678858
21	Karna Bahadur Thapa	Shivasataxi-10	Chulachuli CFUG		9842625857
22	Bindu Rai	Shivasataxi-8	Gaide CFUG	Member	9806082756
23	Kamal Timsina	Shivasataxi-10	Sukedangi CFUG	Member	9810320585
24	Shanti Upadhyaya	Kankai-2	Sukedangi CFUG	Chairman	9842657796
25	Lal Bahadur Rai	Kankai-2	Ratuwamai Afforestation Project	Vice- Chairman	9803090621
26	Ajay Kumar Yadav	Kerkha		Forester	9846451025

Disaggregated Participants Data

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N.	Participants	Mal	Femal	Janajat	Dali	Brahmi	Chhettr	Dasnam	Madhes	Musli
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I	Sita Devi Dawadi		I			I				
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3	Punya Prashad Bhandari	Ι				I				
4	Pratima Rokka		I				I			
5	Ghan Shyam Magar	I		I						
6	Sapana Thatal		I			I				
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8	Harka Bahadur Khadka	I					I			
9	Nain Bahadur Tamang	I		I						
10	Nara Bahadur Thapaliya	I					I			
11	Chandra Subba	I		I						
12	Arjun Chauhan	I					I			
13	Rubin Neupane	I				I				
14	Sujan Bhattarai	I				I				
15	Deu Prashad Sharma	I				I				
16	Prem Kumar Rokka	I					I			
17	Tika Ram Upreti	Ι				I				
18	Arjun Chapagain	I				I				
19	Rukmani Bhandari		I			I				
20	Yek Raj Dahal	I				I				
21	Karna Bahadur Thapa	I					I			
22	Bindu Rai		I	I						
23	Kamal Timsina	I				I				
24	Shanti Upadhyaya		I			I				
25	Lal Bahadur Rai	I		I						
26	Ajay Kumar Yadav	I							I	
	Total	19	7	5	0	13	7	0	I	0

C. Problem and Solution Analysis Workshop (Downstream)

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Name of River System		Kankai
Section		Downstream
Date of Workshop		23 June, 2022
Venue		Shivasatakshi Municipalituy, Ward 4 Office Hall
Location		Janata Chowk, Shivasatakshi-4, Jhapa
	Total Participants	39
	Male Participants	29
Participants' Information	Female Participants	10
	Total No. of Dalits	3
	Total No. of Ips	17

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3	Kamala Kumari Bhetwal	Shivasatakshi-4	Shivasatakshi Municipality-4	Ward Secretary	9824041882
4	Rajendra Shrestha	Shivasatakshi-4	Nepal Red Cross Society, Panchgacchi Sub-Chapter	Vice President	9806045247
5	Santosh Kumar Poudel	Shivasatakshi-4	Nepal Red Cross Society, Panchgacchi Sub-Chapter	Joint Secretary	9818550635
6	Jitendra Kumar Shah	Shivasatakshi-4	Nepal Red Cross Society, Panchgacchi Sub-Chapter	Lifetime Member	9842693550
7	Suman Lal Shah	Shivasatakshi-4	Shivasatakshi Municipality-4	Ward Member	9817939765
8	Krishna Kumari Pariyar	Shivasatakshi-4	Shivasatakshi Municipality-4	Woman Ward Member	9826928620
9	Devi Prasad Tiwari	Shivasatakshi-4	Shivasatakshi Municipality-4	Ward Member	9804928541
10	Krishna Bahadur Khadka	Shivasatakshi-4			9807989432
11	Bishwodeep Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-4			9804949218
12	Ramadevi Tajpuriya	Shivasatakshi-4			9804921535
13	Gitadevi Tajpuriya	Shivasatakshi-4			9804964373
14	Anita Sundas	Shivasatakshi-4			9807079445

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17	Namrata Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-5			9807998810
18	Mamata Shrestha	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9815943992
19	Nisha Shrestha	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9825906918
20	Chandrakala Shrestha	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9807905925
21	Birendra Tamang	Shivasatakshi-4			9807917626
22	Tek Narayan Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-4			9804979858
23	Jitendra Kumar Shah	Shivasatakshi-4			9807341769
24	Santosh Kumar Poudel	Shivasatakshi-4			9804905771
25	Shree Narayan Shrestha	Shivasatakshi-4			9844649402
26	Devi Prasad Thapaliya	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9824005767
27	Raj Narayan Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9806080115
28	Nageshwor Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-5			9823352286
29	Devananda Shah	Shivasatakshi-5	Pathibhara Mixed Farmers Group	Secretary	9806034418
30	Ran Bahadur Katuwal	Shivasatakshi-5		Local Farmer	9807912176
31	Sunil Tamang	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9808826754
32	Newalal Rajbanshi	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9804947082
33	Kunji Bihari Tajpuriya	Shivasatakshi-5	Shree Pathibhara Aa. Vi.	Head Teacher	9842648044
34	Dev Narayan Shah	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9820508198
35	Kiran Kharel	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9817006201
36	Subash Pariyar	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9817036042
37	Chandrawati Tajpuriya	Shivasatakshi-4	Shivasatakshi Municipality-4	Woman Ward Member	9807902231
38	Raju Adhikari	Shivasatakshi-4		Local Farmer	9816070909
39	Agam Giri	Shivasatakshi-5	Dairy Shop	Owner, Dairy Shop	9814955439

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3	Kamala Kumari Bhetwal		I			I						
4	Rajendra Shrestha	I		I								
5	Santosh Kumar Poudel	I				I						
6	Jitendra Kumar Shah	I							Ι			
7	Suman Lal Shah	I							I			
8	Krishna Kumari Pariyar		I		l							
9	Devi Prasad Tiwari	I				I						
10	Krishna Bahadur Khadka	I					I					
11	Bishwodeep Rajbanshi	I		Ι								
12	Ramadevi Tajpuriya		I	Ι								
13	Gitadevi Tajpuriya		I	I								
14	Anita Sundas		I		I							
15	Prem Prasad Dahal	I				Ι						
16	Ishwori Prasad Neupane	I				I						
17	Namrata Rajbanshi		I	I								
18	Mamata Shrestha		I	I								
19	Nisha Shrestha		I	I								
20	Chandrakala Shrestha		I	I								
21	Birendra Tamang	I		I								
22	Tek Narayan Rajbanshi	I		I								
23	Jitendra Kumar Shah	I							I			
24	Santosh Kumar Poudel	I				I						
25	Shree Narayan Shrestha	I		I								
26	Devi Prasad Thapaliya	I				I						
27	Raj Narayan Rajbanshi	I		I								
S.	Name of	Ge	ender		Ethnicity							
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N.	Participants	Mal e	Femal e	Janajat i	Dali t	Brahmi n	Chhettr i	Dasnam i	Madhes i	Musli m		
28	Nageshwor Rajbanshi	I		I								
29	Devananda Shah	I							I			
30	Ran Bahadur Katuwal	I					I					
31	Sunil Tamang	I		I								
32	Newalal Rajbanshi	I		I								
33	Kunji Bihari Tajpuriya	I		I								
34	Dev Narayan Shah	I							I			
35	Kiran Kharel	I				I						
36	Subash Pariyar	I			I							
37	Chandrawati Tajpuriya		Ι	I								
38	Raju Adhikari	I				I						
39	Agam Giri	I						I				
	Total	29	10	17	3	11	2	I	5	0		

Day II

Name of River System		Kankai				
Section		Downstream				
Date of Workshop		24 June, 202				
Venue		Taghandubba Health Post Meeting Hal				
Location		Kamatoli, Jhapa Rural Municipality, Jhapa				
	Total Participants	20				
	Male Participants	20				
Participants' Information	Female Participants	0				
	Total No. of Dalits	0				
	Total No. of Ips	6				

S. N.	Name of P articipants	Address	Institution	Designation	Contact No.
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2	Pushpalal Neupane	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	
3	Bhim Ghorsane	Jhapa Rural Municipality-2		Local Farmer	
4	Ramesh Poudel	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9810387290
5	Arjun Prasad Sitaula	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9813885877
6	Ramnath Giri	Jhapa Rural Municipality-2	Disaster Management Committee, Jhapa 2 & 3	Coordinator	9804976371
7	Rajesh Baski	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9806027037
8	Jabahar Sekh	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9807925005
9	Marang Soren	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9827984304
10	Bishu Soren	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9825944513
11	Rohan Soren	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9815046550
12	Ramesh Karki	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	9824070806
13	Tek Bahadur Karki	Jhapa Rural Municipality-2		Local Farmer	9825970975
14	Mohan Kumar Chaulagain	Jhapa Rural Municipality-2	Shree Laxmi Pra.Vi. School Management Committee	Chairman	9815072634
15	Robin Tudu	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	9824006209
16	Ragu Tudu	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I	Milan Farmers Group		9815950138
17	Jatlu Hasda	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	9807940632
18	Sukaru Miyan	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	9826902762
19	Tamija Din	Jhapa Rural Municipality-I		Local Farmer	9807981735
20	Dal Kumar	Jhapa Rural Municipality-7		Local Farmer	9825944498

Disaggregated Participants Data

S.	Name of	Gender		Ethnicity							
N.	Participants	Mal e	Femal e	Janajat i	Dali t	Brahmi n	Chhettr i	Dasnam i	Madhes i	Musli m	
I	Shiva Kumar Kandel	I				I					
2	Pushpalal Neupane	I				I					
3	Bhim Ghorsane	I				I					

S.	Name of	Ge	ender	Ethnicity							
N.	Participants	Mal	Femal	Janajat	Dali	Brahmi	Chhettr	Dasnam	Madhes	Musli	
		е	е	i	t	n	i	i	i	m	
4	Ramesh Poudel	I				I					
5	Arjun Prasad Sitaula	I				I					
6	Ramnath Giri	I						I			
7	Rajesh Baski	I		I							
8	Jabahar Sekh	I								I	
9	Marang Soren	I		I							
10	Bishu Soren	I		I							
11	Rohan Soren	I		I							
12	Ramesh Karki	I					I				
13	Tek Bahadur Karki	I					I				
14	Mohan Kumar Chaulagain	I				I					
15	Robin Tudu	I		I							
16	Ragu Tudu	I		I							
17	Jatlu Hasda	I								I	
18	Sukaru Miyan	I								I	
19	Tamija Din	I								I	
20	Dal Kumar	I									
	Total	20	0	6	0	6	2	I	0	4	

D. Expert Planning Workshop

River Systems	Ratuwa, Kankai, Biring and Mechi
Date of Workshop	August 16 - 17, 2022
Venue	CP Hotel
Location	Birtamod, Jhapa

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Annex-3: Activities, Location and Budget Plan

Note: The location coordinates of planned activity sites listed in table below are the result of participatory mapping exercise conducted with local stakeholders who demarcated the intervention location in the map with google image in background. Some of the locations (approximately 30% of the sites) are verified in the field for their accuracy and validity. However, due to time and resource constraint for field verification, all identified location coordinates are not verified in field. Hence, location coordinates mentioned in CERP activity sites need further field verification before the implementation. Locations are subjected to change as per the field findings and verification result. Intervention site coordinate mentioned in this CERP Annexes should be taken only as initial guidance to start the field process and, if they are found inappropriate during the field verification, the technical team from PPMU can conduct location changes with proper documentation of field condition.

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
Identification and operationalization of FFS								AI.I	
FFS at Danabari & Sana Kisan Mahila Krishi Sahakari	No	I	700,000	700,000	Sitali	87.895994	26.767064	AI.I.I	Mai M-4
FFS at Karkate	No	Ι	700,000	700,000	Karkate	87.871943	26.743645	AI.I.2	Mai M-8
FFS at Shantal tol (Panchgahhi)	No	I	700,000	700,000	Panchgachhi	87.794225	26.540824	AI.I.3	Shivasataxi M-4
FFS for Sukedangi CF	No	I	700,000	700,000	Bijuliyamp	87.894419	26.675169	AI.I.4	Kankai M-2
FFS at Milan Krishak Samuha	No	I	700,000	700,000	Salmara	87.828576	26.459644	AI.I.5	Jhapa RM-1
Capacity-building in the use of weather information and its	No	3	100,000	300,000				A1.1.6	

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
application in agricultural practices									
	ha	1,202.62	2,000	2,405,243.29	Mai M-I	87.831208	26.796005	A1.2.1	Mai M-I
	ha	731.29	2,000	1,462,575.07	Mai M-5	87.931998	26.789765	AI.2.2	Mai M-5
	ha	1,061.81	2,000	2,123,617.09	Mai M-6	87.788205	26.788536	AI.2.3	Mai M-6
	ha	298.22	2,000	596,441.79	Mai M-9	87.89211	26.821896	AI.2.4	Mai M-9
	ha	506.84	2,000	1,013,679.38	Mangsebung RM- 3	87.745783	26.83639	A1.2.5	Mangsebung RM-3
resilient agriculture practices	ha	685.13	2,000	1,370,255.74	Chulachuli RM-I	87.78095	26.686355	A1.2.6	Chulachuli RM-I
	ha	1,108.58	2,000	2,217,167.63	Shivasataxi M-4	87.8155	26.540454	A1.2.7	Shivasataxi M-4
	ha	872.78	2,000	1,745,562.47	Shivasataxi M-5	87.818147	26.557391	A1.2.8	Shivasataxi M-5
	ha	1,607.40	2,000	3,214,797.82	Shivasataxi M-7	87.833622	26.600815	A1.2.9	Shivasataxi M-7
	ha	592.44	2,000	1,184,889.30	Shivasataxi M-11	87.823562	26.649459	AI.2.10	Shivasataxi M-11
	ha	2,019.03	2,000	4,038,067.76	Gauriganj RM-I	87.803633	26.498378	AI.2.11	Gauriganj RM-1
Train and support farmers to adopt and apply	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Odarichwok (Astha Krishak Samuha)	87.801503	26.532289	A1.3.1	Shivasataxi M-4

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
climate-resilient land use practices	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Pathibara Misrit Krishi Samuha	87.834924	26.554654	A1.3.2	Shivasataxi M-5
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Mahabhara	87.805426	26.509388	A1.3.3	Gauriganj RM-1
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Kamalgaun	87.786915	26.676958	A1.3.4	Chulachuli RM-1
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Mainachuli	87.82114	26.657876	A1.3.5	Shivasataxi M-11
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Kankaitol	87.84797	26.592173	A1.3.6	Shivasataxi M-7
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Rikhuwa (Rikhuwa Krishi Sahakari)	87.791745	26.797869	A1.3.7	Mai M-6
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Khamare	87.818307	26.818564	A1.3.8	Mai M-I
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Kalikholagaun	87.919577	26.785896	A1.3.9	Mai M-5
	Event	I	450,000	450,000	Soktim	87.904132	26.814522	A1.3.10	Mai M-9
								A2.1	
Promote horticulture with multiyear cropping/	ha	53	6,000	318,000	Sunjhoda	87.849621	26.677546	A2.1.1	Mai M-8
with multiyear cropping/ horticulture/on-farm conservation	ha	105	6,000	630,000	Jhorkhola gaun- Chamkidanda	87.846972	26.735685	A2.1.2	Mai M-8
	ha	620	6,000	3,720,000	Chuligaun- Laksikholagaun	87.827774	26.751269	A2.1.3	Mai M-7 & 8

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
	ha	180	6,000	1,080,000	Susling-Daduli- Maguna	87.778144	26.79739	A2.1.4	Mai M-6
	ha	70	6,000	420,000	Nunthala	87.935954	26.798608	A2.1.5	Mai M-5
	ha	70	6,000	420,000	Takle	87.943541	26.777785	A2.1.6	Mai M-5
	ha	15	6,000	90,000	Salbote	87.932469	26.824837	A2.1.7	Mai M-10
	ha	110	6,000	660,000	Soktim-Kalikhola gaun	87.914949	26.828153	A2.1.8	Mai M-9
	ha	85	6,000	510,000	Kharbani	87.828049	26.810507	A2.1.9	Mai M-I
	ha	65	6,000	390,000	Chisapani- Jhilkegaun	87.793167	26.842731	A2.1.10	Deumai M-9
	ha	40	6,000	240,000	Siureni	87.821597	26.836696	A2.1.11	Deumai M-7
	ha	175	6,000	1,050,000	Subhachen- Khundhuke	87.738289	26.842057	A2.1.12	Mangsebung RM-3
	ha	100	6,000	600,000	Walin Bhanjang	87.72391	26.833937	A2.1.13	Mangsebung RM-3
	ha	60	6,000	360,000	Lurumba	87.754097	26.819228	A2.1.14	Mangsebung RM-5
	ha	25	6,000	150,000	Khanitar	87.750082	26.803175	A2.1.15	Mangsebung RM-5
								A2.2	
Landslide treatment	No		2,000,000	2,000,000	Gangate	87.758186	26.803356	A2.2.1	Mangsebung RM-5

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
	No	I	3,000,000	3,000,000	Banjho	87.743969	26.809034	A2.2.2	Mangsebung RM-5
	No	Ι	2,000,000	2,000,000	Naumate Khola	87.884416	26.685482	A2.2.3	Kankai M-2
	No	3	LS	2,000,000	Besare (Kaparsuke Khola)	87.83394	26.759028	A2.3.1	Mai M-7
	No	3	LS	2,000,000	Laxikholagaun	87.835899	26.755793	A2.3.2	Mai M-7
Construction of check	No	2	LS	2,000,000	Besare	87.827924	26.761092	A2.3.3	Mai M-7
	No	Ι	LS	2,000,000	Bharate (Chhiwa Khola)	87.794001	26.779717	A2.3.4	Mai M-6
for gully/debris torrent protection	No	2	LS	2,000,000	Kali Khola	87.947649	26.798804	A2.3.5	Mai M-5
	No	2	LS	2,000,000	Lewa Khola	87.934442	26.823921	A2.3.6	Mai M-10
	No	2	LS	2,000,000	Naumate Khola	87.872255	26.679212	A2.3.7	Shivasataxi M-10
	No	Ι	LS	2,000,000	Duimukha	87.874085	26.680609	A2.3.8	Shivasataxi M-10
	No	2	LS	2,000,000	Birsinge Khola	87.889559	26.681061	A2.3.9	Kankai M-2
Wetland management	No	I	١,000,000	1,000,000	Sukedangi CF	87.902526	26.672536	A2.4.1	Kankai M-2
	No	I	١,000,000	I,000,000	Mainchuli	87.831732	26.668325	A2.4.2	Shivasataxi M-11

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
Construction of embankment & Bio-	m	360	30,000	10,800,000	Rangiyathan	87.826468	26.525399	A2.5.1	Gauriganj RM-1 & Shivasataxi M-4
engineering	m	300	30,000	9,000,000	Bishwadubba	87.830976	26.533608	A2.5.2	JhapaRM-4 & Shivasataxi M-4
Strengthening climate and disaster risk reduction mechanism in collaboration with local government	Municipali ty/ Rural municipali ty	5	300,000	1,500,000				A2.6.1	
Training/capacity building on soil and watershed conservation using bio- engineering	Event	I	500,000	500,000				A2.6.2	
Climate resilient awareness campaign through Eco-clubs	School	10	50,000	500,000				A2.6.3	
Support review/upgrade/renew of forest operational plans (FOPs) of community forest user groups (CFUGs)	No	64	200,000	12,800,000	Starting from CBFMGs with higher willingness			M3.I	
Training and capacity development for implementation of FOPs	No	64	250,000	16,000,000	not having any technical and financial dispute			M3.2	
Equipment support for implementation of FOPs	No	64	200,000	12,800,000				M3.3	
Capacitate government staffs and CBOs on climate resilient forest management (ToF)	Event	4	300,000	1,200,000				M3.4	

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
Governance training to government staffs and CFUGs to enhance accountability and transparency	Event	10	240,000	2,400,000				M3.5	
	ha	9.62	50,000	480,814.15	Sukedangi CF	87.893094	26.677798	M4.I.I	Kankai M-2
Enrichment plantation	ha	9.06	50,000	452,843.10	Gaide CF	87.859719	26.663015	M4.1.2	Shivasataxi M-10
	ha	2.26	50,000	113,161.75	Gaide CF	87.863529	26.664515	M4.1.3	Shivasataxi M-10
	ha	80	20,000	1,600,000	Rikhuwa Khola upstream	87.767343	26.786791	M4.2.1	Mai M-6
	ha	50	20,000	1,000,000	Laxmi Khola	87.835708	26.755554	M4.2.2	Mai M-7
	ha	90	20,000	1,800,000	Kankai CF	87.890848	26.739771	M4.2.3	Mai M-2
Implement Assisted	ha	65	20,000	1,300,000	Suryadoya mahila	87.788667	26.778118	M4.2.4	Mai M-6
Natural Regeneration	ha	55	20,000	1,100,000	Tamakhe CF	87.78564	26.766258	M4.2.5	Mai M-6
	ha	80	20,000	1,600,000	Tinchuli CF	87.826984	26.76127	M4.2.6	Mai M-7
	ha	75	20,000	1,500,000	Gaide CF	87.861013	26.671998	M4.2.7	Shivasataxi M-10
	ha	28	20,000	560,000	Barbhanjang	87.854048	26.808603	M4.2.8	Mai M-I

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
	ha	30	20,000	600,000	Pragati Namuna cf	87.860021	26.805837	M4.2.9	Mai M-I
	ha	18	20,000	360,000	Shivapokhari cf	87.910573	26.734134	M4.2.10	Mai M-2
	ha	30	20,000	600,000	Jhatechuli cf	87.875453	26.806874	M4.2.11	Mai M-3
	ha	63	20,000	1,260,000	Titribote cf	87.762555	26.836754	M4.2.12	MangsebungRM-3
	ha	20	20,000	400,000	Rani cf	87.874688	26.522573	M4.2.13	Jhapa RM-7
	ha	10	20,000	200,000	Kalikhola cf	87.922907	26.79767	M4.2.14	Mai M-5
	ha	18	20,000	360,000	Kalikhola cf	87.921404	26.78289	M4.2.15	Mai M-4 & 5
Firefighter training and support fire fighting equipment to CFUGs	CFUG	20	300,000	6,000,000				M4.3.1	
Support firefighting equipment to security institution	Set	10	150,000	1,500,000				M4.3.2	
Training and equipment support for compost production from bushes and leaf litters	CFUG	5	150,000	750,000				M4.3.3	
Construction and improvement of fire lines	Km	5	300,000	1,500,000				M4.3.4	
Customize fire alert system in Community Based Forest Management	No	I	LS	300,000				M4.3.5	

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
Skill development trainings and equipment support	Househol d	300	25,000	7,500,000				M4.4	
Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries (150,000 capacity)	No	2	١,000,000	2,000,000	Numana CF, Sukrabare; Surunga Sub- division; Sukhane sub-division			M5.I.I	
Establish and support multi-purpose tree nurseries (50,000 capacity)	No	Ι	500,000	500,000				M5.1.2	
Production of saplings	No	350,000	40	14,000,000				M5.1.3	
Establish On-farm tree nursery	No	I	600,000	600,000	Shivagunj			M5.1.4	
	ha	43	500,000	21,500,000	Sadakbari	87.826559	26.479399	M5.2.1	Jhapa RM-2 & Gauriganj RM-1
Demonstration plantation	ha	17	500,000	8,500,000	Shree Pathivara school	87.795688	26.554722	M5.2.2	Shivasataxi M-4 & 5
	ha	11.5	500,000	5,750,000	Lalpani School's land	87.8627	26.5924	M5.2.3	Shivasataxi M-7
	ha	3.50	600,000	2,100,945	Sukedangi	87.905587	26.678994	M5.3.1	Kankai M-2
Riparian/riverbank plantation	ha	1.88	600,000	1,128,115.80	Mainachuli CF	87.819394	26.669802	M5.3.2	Shivasataxi M-11
	ha	1.53	600,000	915,047.40	Chulachuli CF	87.801076	26.677229	M5.3.3	Shivasataxi M-11
	ha	1.09	600,000	656,553.60	Chulachuli CF	87.803927	26.679214	M5.3.4	Shivasataxi M-11

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
	ha	4.50	600,000	2,698,191	Shivaganj- Shantitol	87.840653	26.564659	M5.3.5	Shivasataxi M-5 & 6
	ha	5.65	600,000	3,390,808	Bhattaraitol	87.808309	26.51747	M5.3.6	Gauriganj RM-1
	ha	19.00	600,000	11,400,000	Chillagadh	87.85748	26.631405	M5.3.7	Shivasataxi M-9
	ha	73.00	600,000	43,800,000	Tekra (Mai left bank)	87.861663	26.620451	M5.3.8	Kankai M-4
	ha	88.00	600,000	52,800,000	Tappugaun	87.841142	26.529639	M5.3.9	Jhapa RM-2 & 4
	ha	160.00	600,000	96,000,000	Kachhudaha	87.851211	26.55012	M5.3.10	Jhapa RM-7
Technical guidance and support to establish woodlots	ha	250	250,000	62,500,000	Others			M5.4	
Create informal learning and sharing platforms for grassroots-level women	Event	5	50,000	250,000					
Conduct local level policy discourses to ensure gender responsiveness and women's participation, access, control and leadership	Event	I	50,000	50,000					
Produce and publish best practices and learning in gendered governance	Event	I	50,000	50,000					

Sub-activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Cost	Budget (NPR)	Location	Lat.	Long.	Activity Code	Local government
Conduct rapid assessment on women's contribution and involvement in SNRM	Event	I	100,000	100,000					
Provide gender mainstreaming trainings/ workshops to local government and CBOs	Event	I	100,000	100,000					
Conduct GESI focused social audits and public hearing	Event	2	150,000	300,000					
Conduct advocacy campaign and promote awareness on gender responsive information, available provisions and resources among CBOs/ women groups	Meeting	3	50,000	150,000					
Engage male involvement to advocate gender and women's issues and concern in campaign	Event	2	50,000	100,000					
Total				498,986,777.33					

Note: Activity location and coordinates are subjected to change based on field condition before the implementation. BRCRN PPMU offices can make the necessary changes with proper documentation of field condition





Hotspots for Climate Adaptation



Final Activity Map for Mitigation



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Annex-5: Photographs

A. Problem and Solution Analysis Workshop

AI: Upstream



A2: Midstream



A3: Downstream



B. Expert Planning Workshop



C. Hotspot Verification





D. Focus Group Discussion and KII



