



Annual Report 2021/22



Celebrating our
30th
anniversary



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01 From the Chairperson's Desk



Prof. Kapil Shrestha
Chairperson NEWAH

I would like to express a great satisfaction and pleasure to share NEWAH's annual report 2021/22.

It's our great pleasure to share our Annual Report 2021-2022 with enormous glory and gratification.

Since, till now, we have succeeded in completing 30 years of a remarkable journey with tremendous learning and insightful experience. We are very happy to share the fact that within this time frame our organization has been successful in serving 2.18 million marginalized people in urgent need with quality water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services. From the time of its establishment in 1992, Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) has been relentlessly serving Nepal's water supply, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) sector by providing safe drinking water to people in the rural areas of Nepal.

We are also greatly pleased to inform our well wishers that this year NEWAH has completed its long history of glorious 30 years of active engagement in the country's WASH sector with a great enthusiasm and valuable learning. Even though two years of Covid-19 pandemic had halted some of our project activities, it had also taught us many lessons to react more quickly and to adapt to changing situations acting more efficiently and effectively. Nevertheless, the organization has once again demonstrated its unwavering commitment by ensuring that over 46,393 people of the country gain access to safe and sustainable water, sanitation, and hygiene services this year.

All this was only possible due to NEWAH's close coordination with the District Coordination Committees and Rural/Municipalities.

This year we were continuing with our ongoing programs under four different thematic areas: Sustainable WASH Service Delivery, Capacity Building, Coordination and Advocacy and Research & Development and Knowledge Management. All areas together are ensuring NEWAH's improved WASH service delivery with the capacity building of communities and local WASH stakeholders to promote desired improvements in their hygiene and sanitation status as well as behavioral changes. We have also continued to support national initiatives, such as the Open Defecation Free (ODF) campaign and the Community-led Total Sanitation program (CLTS) and were also actively engaged in the WASH sector at municipal, district and national level to help achieve the national WASH targets.

In addition to this, NEWAH is trying to diversify its working modality and is gradually seeking opportunities to mainstream pertinent issues like climate change, DRR, R&D and GESI in its regular WASH related projects.

Finally, on behalf of the NEWAH Executive Board, I would like to express my deepest gratitude and appreciation to our most magnanimous funding partner, 'charity: water', U.S.A, as well as other donors, concerned agencies of the Government of Nepal, Rural/Municipalities, the Social Welfare Council, our general members, the dedicated NEWAH staff and the most important partners - the local communities and user committees - for giving us all kinds of support, motivation and encouragement continuously for 30 years.

Many thanks.

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Resham Jung Singh Director NEWAH

The year 2021-2022 is an important year in the history of NEWAH as it has passed its 30 years of glorious and dignified journey. With my immense pleasure I would like to share the major interventions, accomplishments, and learnings of NEWAH in the year 2021-22 through this annual report.

Dedicated to the principle of leaving no one behind, to contribute to the country's 15th Plan and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), especially SDG 6 "ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all", this year we continued to reach out to the rural and the most excluded communities in the country reaching 46,393 people through 68 new WASH projects from ten Rural Municipalities and five Municipalities from the districts of Sindhuli and Baglung. In the process, NEWAH collaborated with local people, the government, and institutions; developed and expanded WASH infrastructures in the communities, and built the capacity of local actors to take ownership of their development.

NEWAH also supported local government's WASH initiatives and engaged actively in research-based deliberations and advocacy for safe water supply, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services focusing on underserved communities in Nepal.

NEWAH has passed another year full of challenges, new learnings and countless experiences, particularly in the areas of sustainability of water supply and sanitation schemes and fundraising.

To move with these challenges NEWAH has started monitoring its completed projects through sensor-based remote technology and Hello Monitoring. These new initiatives of monitoring have proven to be more efficient in tracking the functionality and sustainability of the water supply schemes.

Moreover, NEWAH has established a 'toll-free call center' at its Headquarters with the toll-free number 16600123450. Based on the received calls, our team responds to the issues accordingly.

This year NEWAH has prepared and published its Strategic Plan 2022-2026. Based on this Plan NEWAH will continue its program under the four thematic areas, Sustainable WASH Service Delivery, Capacity Building, Coordination and Advocacy and Research and Development taking into consideration climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction, GESI, agriculture, nutrition and livelihood and IWRM as cross cutting issues.

These achievements would not have been possible without generous support from our funding partners charity: water USA and Rotary Elgin, the contribution, hard work and commitment from our dedicated staff, continuous support from local governments, togetherness, efforts and trust from beneficiary communities and user committee members, the valuable support, guidance and direction of our general members, NEWAH's Audit Committee, Executive Board and the cooperation with provincial and federal government agencies and non-governmental stakeholders. Hence, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and thanks to each and every one who was directly or indirectly involved in this journey.

I look forward to yet another successful year where we will continue to focus on coordination, partnerships, innovation, expansion, diversification and Research and Development.

Many Thanks.

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03 Executive Summary

This year NEWAH has completed its 30 years of a long, dignified and glorious journey. NEWAH continued the support for the development and strengthening of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) infrastructures in rural areas of the country by working directly with the beneficiaries, building their capacities, and providing them opportunities for socio-economic empowerment. As NEWAH believes in joint action, we actively collaborated with the government and sectorial development partners at all tiers and levels. Besides, NEWAH has done remarkable contribution in the fields of awareness creation, capacity building, policy influence, research, and advocacy to secure the needs of safe water and sanitation for underserved communities.

Up to this project cycle we were able to complete 2,606 projects in 51 districts of the country benefitting 2.18 million people from 342,415 households, including 321,421 students through its facilitation and service delivery.

In the Fiscal Year 2021-22 specifically, NEWAH has made significant endeavors to improve the quality of life of the underserved population through WASH services. A total of 68 projects were executed, reaching out to 5,347 households and 53 schools, directly benefitting 46,393 people from the districts of Baglung and Sindhuli. In this regard, a total of 3,407 water distribution points at community level were constructed to serve 38,845 daily water users, while the ones constructed for 53 schools reached 7,401 students.

Most of the projects used simple gravity flow technology, while the remaining others utilized solar pumping and motorized pumping technology. For all water systems water quality tests were conducted as per the national standard and guidelines regarding their physical, chemical and biological parameters.

Based on the newly implemented Strategic Plan 2022-2026, NEWAH has continued implementing its program under the four thematic areas, Sustainable WASH Service Delivery, Capacity Building, Coordination and Advocacy and Research and Development, taking into consideration the fields of climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction; gender equality and social inclusion (GESI); agriculture, nutrition and livelihood; and integrated water resource management (IWRM) as cross cutting issues.

NEWAH has strengthened the capacity of 68 Water and Sanitation Users' Committees (WSUCs) formed during 2021-22 in the areas of project management, monitoring and sustainability through skill-based training and orientation for 694 WSUC members including 315 female members. Likewise, the members of the Ward WASH Coordination Committees (W-WASH-CCs), School WASH Committees, Community Child Health Groups (CCHGs) and Child Health Awareness Committees (CHACs) also benefited from our various capacity building activities. Furthermore, NEWAH organized several cluster-based education and WASH campaigns to create public awareness and bring sustainable hygiene and sanitation behavior change to rural areas of Nepal.

As usual, NEWAH has been continuing with Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation using Community Based Monitoring and Evaluation (CBME) tools where the users were involved right from the planning stage up to project implementation, operation, maintenance, monitoring and evaluation stages. Moreover, a series of pre- and post-implementation monitoring activities were carried out for the past projects supported by 'charity: water'. NEWAH has been using monitoring mechanisms like Hello Monitoring, sensor technology and also has managed the provision of a Toll Free Number available to all communities. The results of Hello Monitoring performed within some selected project sites, where projects have been completed over the last years (399 grant and earlier), have shown that 81% of the water supply systems were still functional, 14% are partial functional and 5% are non-functional. Of the monitored 11,782 water points 92.56% were functional in terms of water flow while only 7.44% water points were non-functional.

NEWAH ensured to address the issues of Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI), Climate Change, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Research & Development as key priorities across its entire policy and implementation works. Even though NEWAH tries to ensure 50% participation of women in WSUCs, there is only a 42.77% representation of women in all WUSCs formed during 2021-22. However, in 50% of cases women are in decision-making positions of the committee. NEWAH is trying its best to increase the percentage of women in WSUCs in coming years. Besides, based on our gender equality and social inclusion policy, we also ensures a proportionate representation of all castes, ethnic minorities, and socio-economic groups among project beneficiaries and the WSUCs. Of the total beneficiaries of 2021-22 classified by ethnicity, 66.18% belonged to the group of 'Janajati', and 21.82% belonged to the group of 'Dalit'. Furthermore, participatory wealth ranking data from the project area suggests that 45.34% of the beneficiaries were categorized as being 'Ultra-poor'.

This year, just like previous years, NEWAH's partnership with 'charity: water' continued. Since 2010 'charity: water' has been supporting NEWAH as primary funding partner.

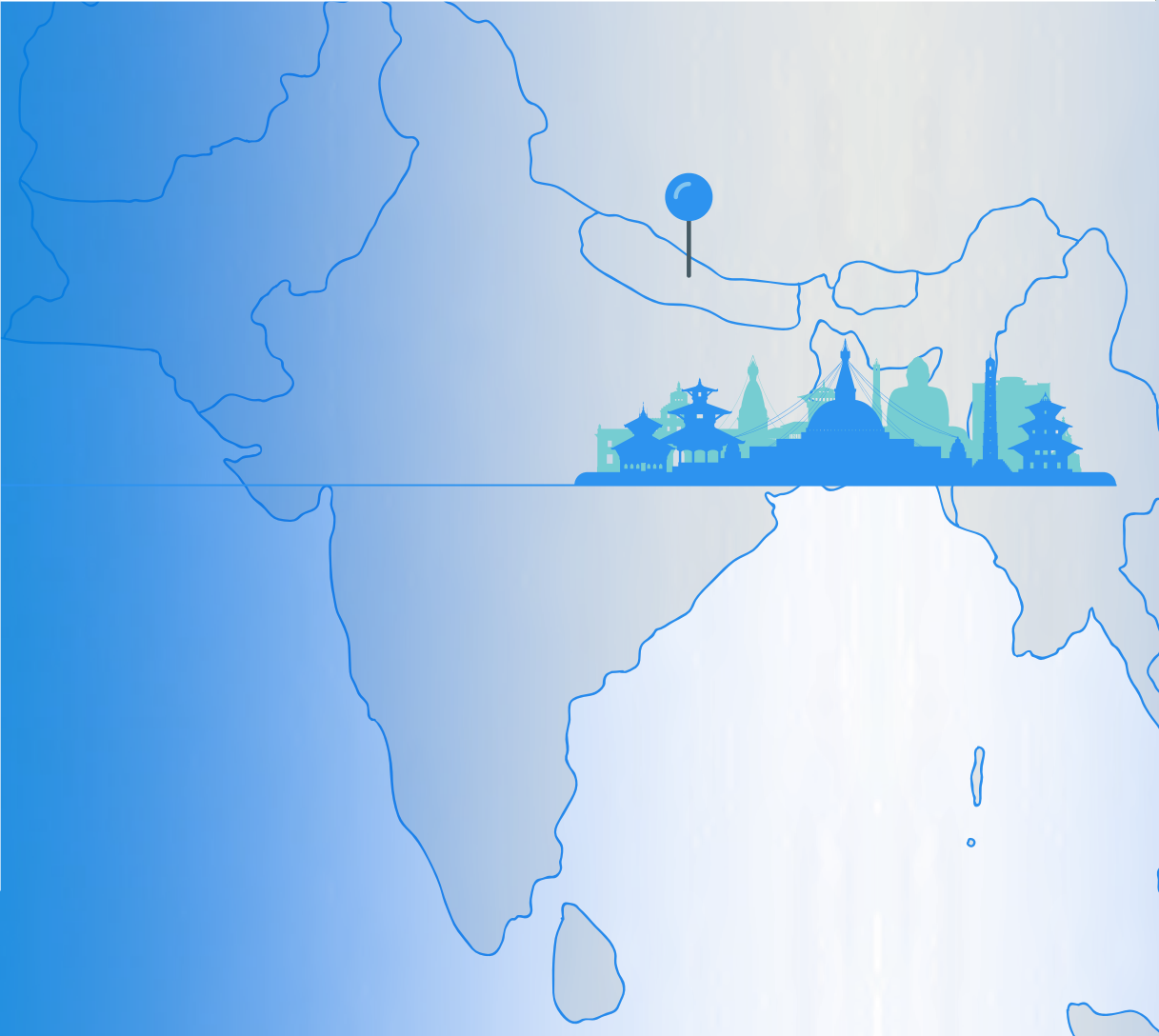
Based on the data given by the financial report 2021/22, NEWAH's total income during 2021-22 amounted to NPR 256,278,909.00 (equivalent to USD 2,118,007.51; conversion 1 USD = NPR 121.00). With a burning rate of 100% the total expenditure comprised NPR 256,278,909.00 as well. Of the total expenditure 82.81% was spent on the program while 17.19% was spent on administration.

Despite of those achievements however, there are several challenges that need serious attention, not only concerning NEWAH but the WASH sector as a whole. The communities that are left to benefit from WASH services in Nepal are far, scattered and inaccessible. And it is not easy for NEWAH and other stakeholders to reach out to these settlements due to geographical, technological and investment barriers. Furthermore, issues like the depletion of water sources as well as landslides and forest fires, which are all difficult to predict, have added additional challenges to NEWAH's activities.

In the upcoming fiscal year 2022-2023 NEWAH will focus on Research and Development as well as Knowledge Management and will consider environmental aspects in the upcoming projects. Similarly, as we have done for the last decade, we will mainstream our approaches considering the issue of climate change and working on DRR, GESI and IWRM. NEWAH is also planning to diversify its working areas and to cover additional new project sites in the upcoming annual project cycle.

05 Acronyms and Symbols

CCHG	Community Child Health Group
CHAC	Child Health Awareness Committee Community
CHSV	Health and Sanitation Volunteer
DCC	District Coordination Committee
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction
GESI	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
NEWAH	Nepal Water for Health
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NPR	Nepalese Rupee
O&M	Operation and Maintenance
ODF	Open Defecation Free
SODIS	Solar Disinfection
USD	United States Dollar
RM	Rural Municipality
WASH	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
WSP	Water Safety Plan
WSUC	Water and Sanitation Users' Committee
WSUG	Water and Sanitation Users' Group
W-WASH-CC	Ward WASH Coordination Committee



07 Profile of NEWAH



Introduction

Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) is a national level non-governmental organization (NGO) that specializes in ensuring access to safe drinking water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) in rural areas of Nepal. Established in 1992, NEWAH has been actively working with local communities to provide access to WASH facilities to people in need, irrespective of gender, caste, class, and belief.

NEWAH's first Strategic Plan was developed in 2000-2005. Since then, NEWAH has been continuing to develop a five-year strategic plan every five years. Since the rollout of the National Sanitation and Hygiene Master Plan in 2011, NEWAH has been actively partnering with local governments to secure the basic needs for water and sanitation of poor communities and strengthening their capacity to undertake community development activities themselves. Focusing on the organization's key objectives, NEWAH manages projects and provides technologically appropriate solutions for WASH-related issues.

Over the past 30 years, NEWAH has assisted 2.18 million people through 2,606 small, medium, and large-scale WASH-related projects implemented across 51 districts. NEWAH has constructed 43,706 community water points and 738 school water points. As a result, NEWAH has been able to establish itself as a credible NGO in Nepal, gaining the trust of the Government of Nepal (GoN) at all levels as well as the trust of many local and international development partners.

Considering the need for concentrated effort in the WASH sector, NEWAH has been advocating for sustainable policies and programs, involving all relevant stakeholders in the sector. Our advocacy efforts have been crucial in influencing the National Rural Water Supply and Sanitation policy of 2004 and in incorporating the Poverty and Gender Gap Approach. Additionally, NEWAH's effort to develop an umbrella organization to protect and promote the rights of users throughout the country took headway through the formation of the Federation of Drinking Water and Sanitation Users Nepal (FEDWASUN).

Moreover, NEWAH has conducted a series of action research and studies to contribute to the development of WASH. NEWAH's experience showed the importance of strengthening its own systems as well as its programs in a sustainable manner. Many development organizations, bi-lateral and multi-lateral organizations from across the globe have supported NEWAH in achieving this goal and meeting its strategic objectives.

Our Vision Statement

NEWAH envisions a prosperous and healthy Nepal where every citizen is entitled an improved quality of life and is also able to access their right to improved and safe drinking water, sanitation, hygiene and health.

Our Mission

To improve the living standard of the people in the greatest need through equitable and sustainable access to safe drinking water and encourage behavioral changes in sanitation and hygiene in Nepal.

Our Goal

To ensure that all communities have access to improved and safe water, to provide hygiene and health education and to promote total sanitation through collaborative projects.

In order to achieve our goals, we pursue the following strategic objectives:

- To provide technical and financial support to assist the development and improvement of WASH services in unserved areas of the country.
- To enhance the capacity of individuals and institutions involved in the WASH sector to manage sustainable WASH systems.
- To engage in research and development to enrich the sectorial knowledge base and to promote innovations in the WASH sector.
- To collaborate and coordinate with governmental, non-governmental and private sector stakeholders to leverage equitable and sustainable access to improved WASH services and to advocate for policy reforms aiming at sustainable and inclusive WASH governance.

Guiding Principles

NEWAH's work is guided by the following principles:



Transparency



Community Management



Accountability



Sustainability



Poverty Sensitivity



Non-Discrimination



Gender Equality and
Social Inclusion



Neutrality

Thematic Areas

NEWAH has been implementing projects under the following thematic areas:

1. Sustainable WASH Service Delivery
2. Capacity Building
3. Coordination and Advocacy
4. Research and Development and Knowledge Management

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Target Population

In line with our values we target those **communities who are living in poverty** and seek to enable them to improve their quality of life through increased access to WASH services and various livelihood enhancing activities.

The targeted population by NEWAH primarily consists of **women, students, people with different abilities as well as caste and ethnic minorities from rural and marginalized disadvantaged communities who are deprived of basic water and sanitation services**. The unique needs of these people will determine the nature of the actions we undertake.

Our approach hereby aims to release women and the excluded groups from existing social, cultural, and institutional marginalization so that they can realize their potentials and enjoy the benefits of development.

Marginalized communities are identified during the project selection at the initial phase based on the severity of the problem and socio-economic context of the communities.



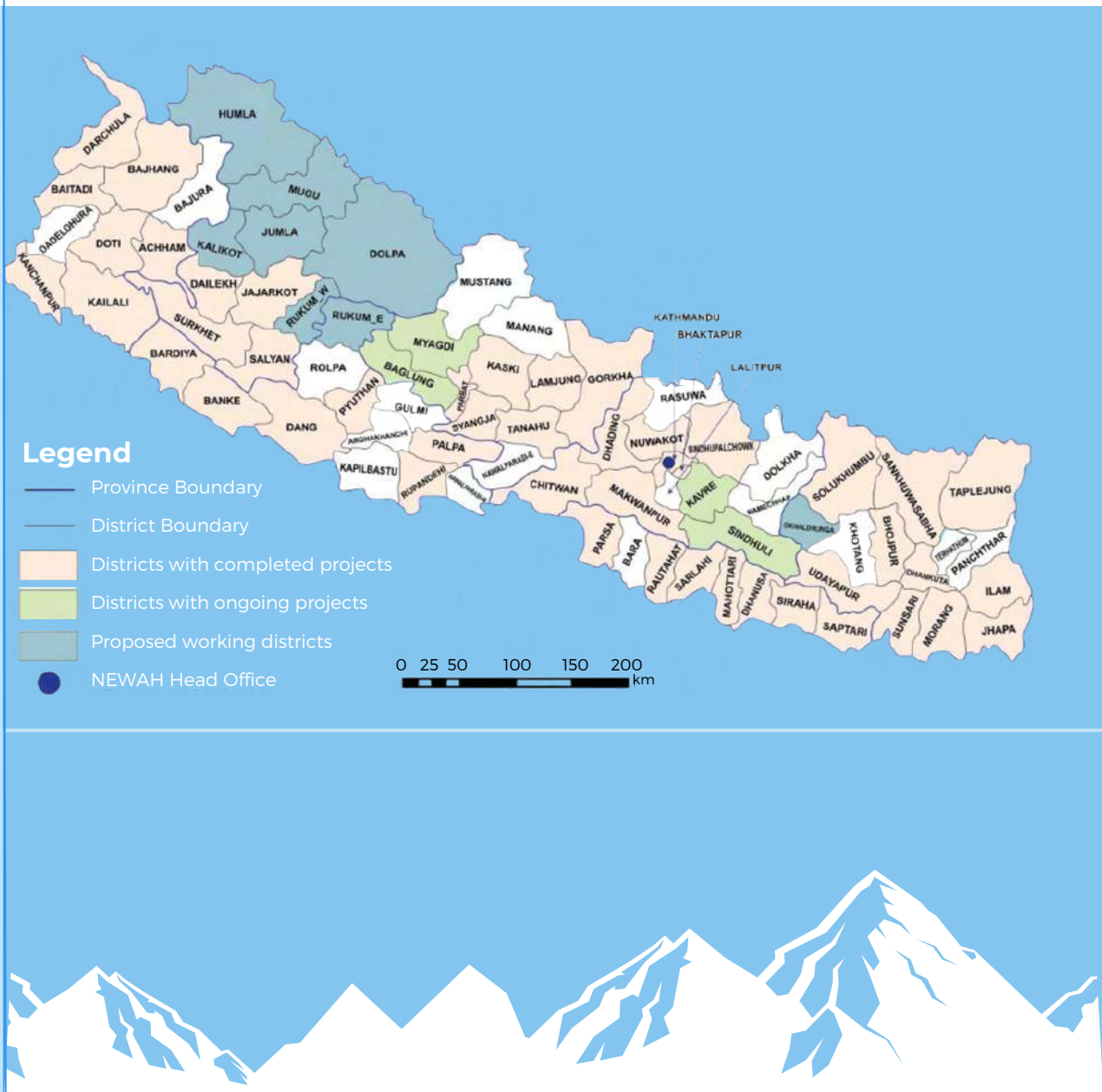
Geographic Coverage

NEWAH has worked in 51 districts since 1992. Currently, NEWAH prioritizes a full coverage of WASH services and presence in Sindhuli and Kavre districts of Bagmati Province and Baglung and Myagdi districts of Gandaki Province.

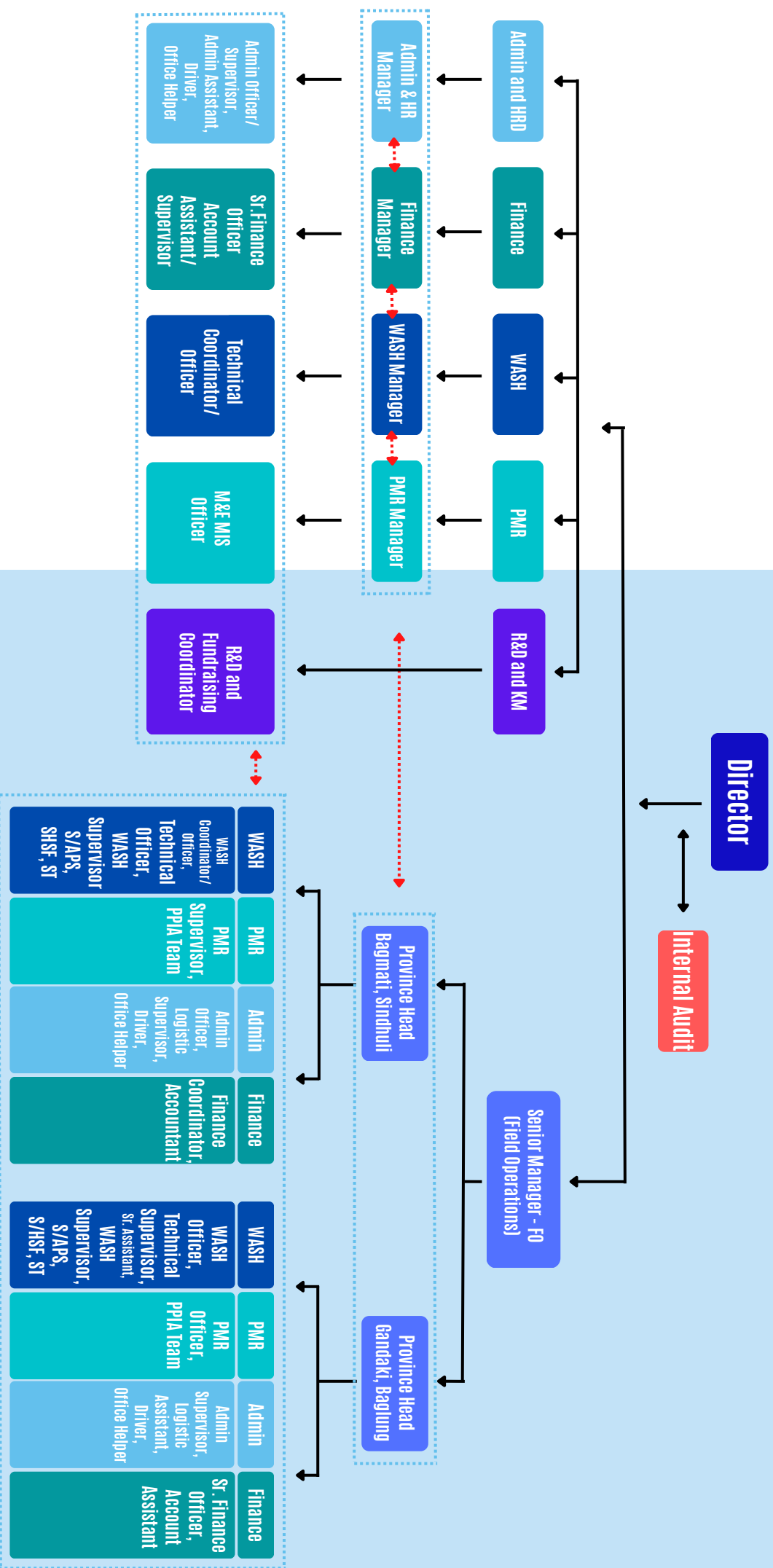
NEWAH will expand its working districts based on the following criteria:

1. Remoteness and marginalized communities
2. Basic water coverage
3. Improved sanitation coverage
4. Hygiene/ health status

Usually, remote areas have comparatively less access to improved WASH facilities as targeted by the Sustainable Development Goals and the Sector Development Plan/GoN. Therefore, NEWAH strives to reach the communities where basic demand and improved sanitation facilities as well as safe drinking water supply have not been met, particularly those of disadvantaged groups. NEWAH is planning to expand its geographical coverage specifically to East Rukum, Okhaldhunga and Karnali Province.

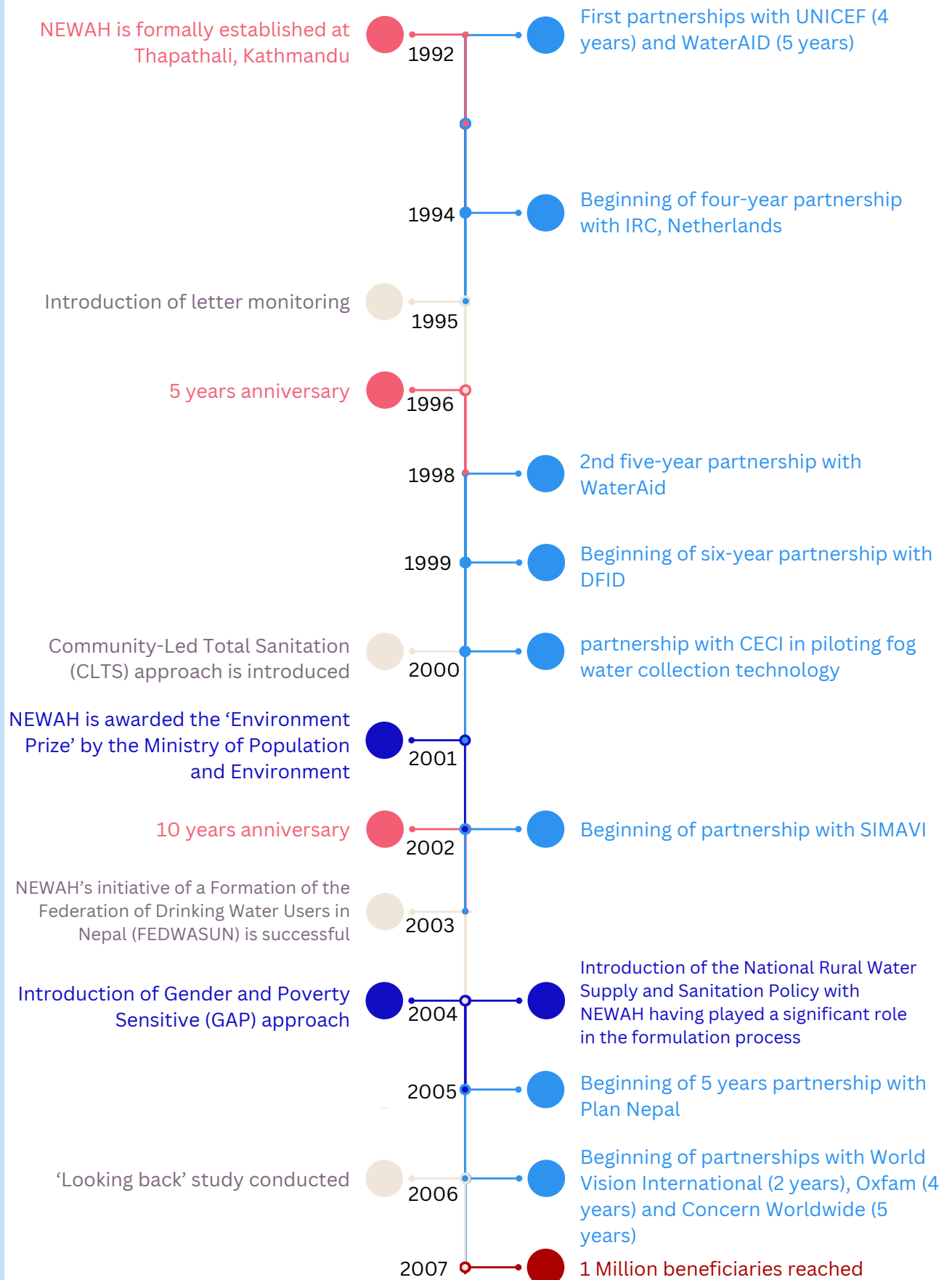


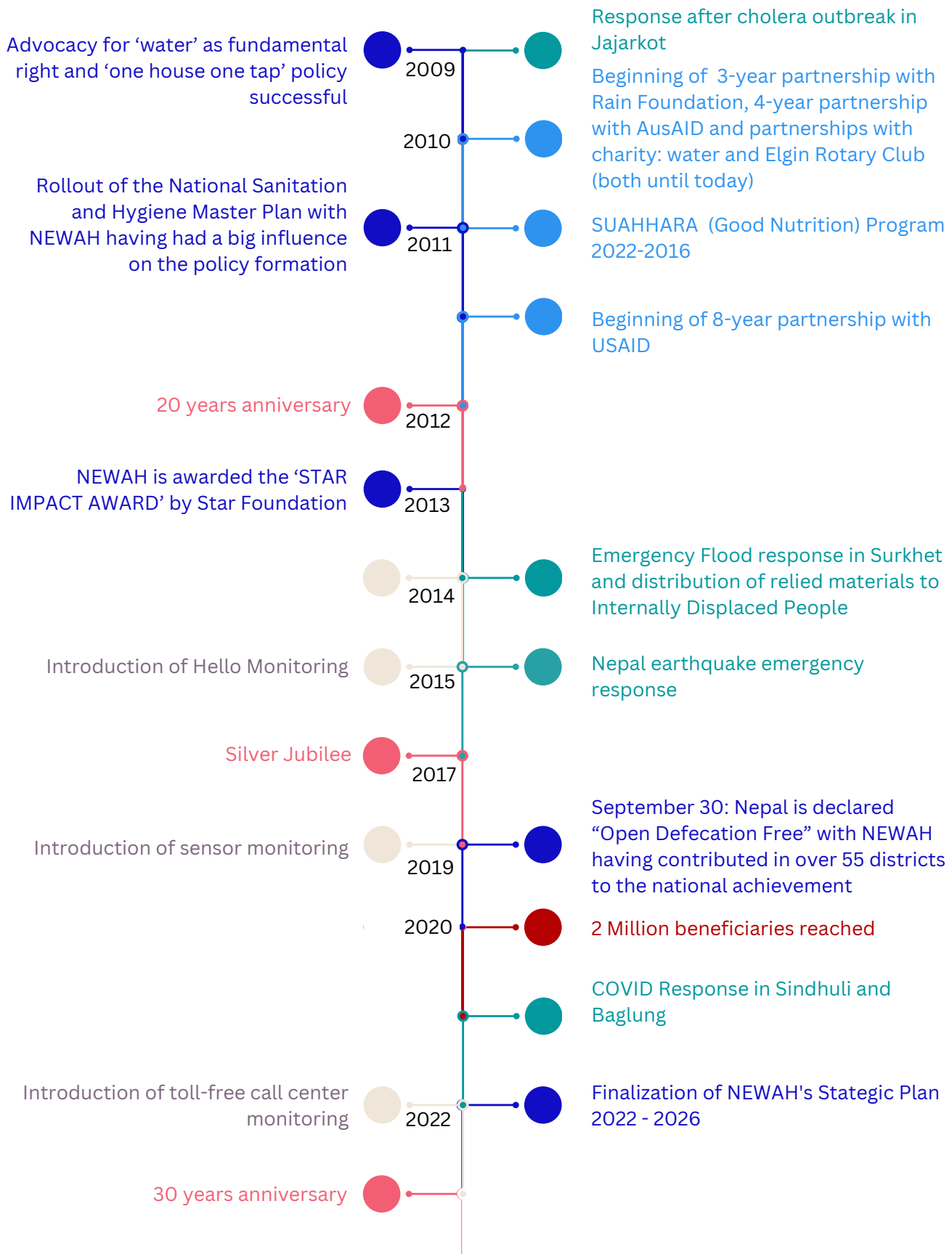
**NEWAH ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
(OPERATION LEVEL)**



Note: Reporting and Communication Channel

Abbreviations: S/APS - Senior/Assistant Project Supervisor, HRD - Human Resource Development, KM - Knowledge Management, PMR - Planning, Monitoring and Reporting, PPiA - Pre & Post Implementation Activities, R&D - Research & Development, S/HSF - Senior/Hygiene and Sanitation Facilitator, ST - Social Technician, WASH - Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

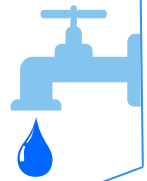




15 Our Work at a Glance

Overall Accomplishments in Numbers

Projects completed	2,606
Households served	34,2415
People reached	2,175,647
Community Water Points built	43,706
School Water Points built	738
Students benefited	32,1421



Total number of members in WSUCs	20,523
Total number of women in WSUCs	8,778
Percentage of women in WSUCs	42.77%

Our Work at a Glance 2021/22

During the fiscal year 2021-22, NEWAH completed **68 projects**, reaching out to **5,347 households**, **53 schools** and **9 health centers**, directly benefiting **46,393 people** from 10 rural municipalities and five municipalities across the districts of Baglung and Sindhuli. The direct beneficiaries comprise 38,845 community people, 7,401 students, and 147 health center beneficiaries



68 Projects

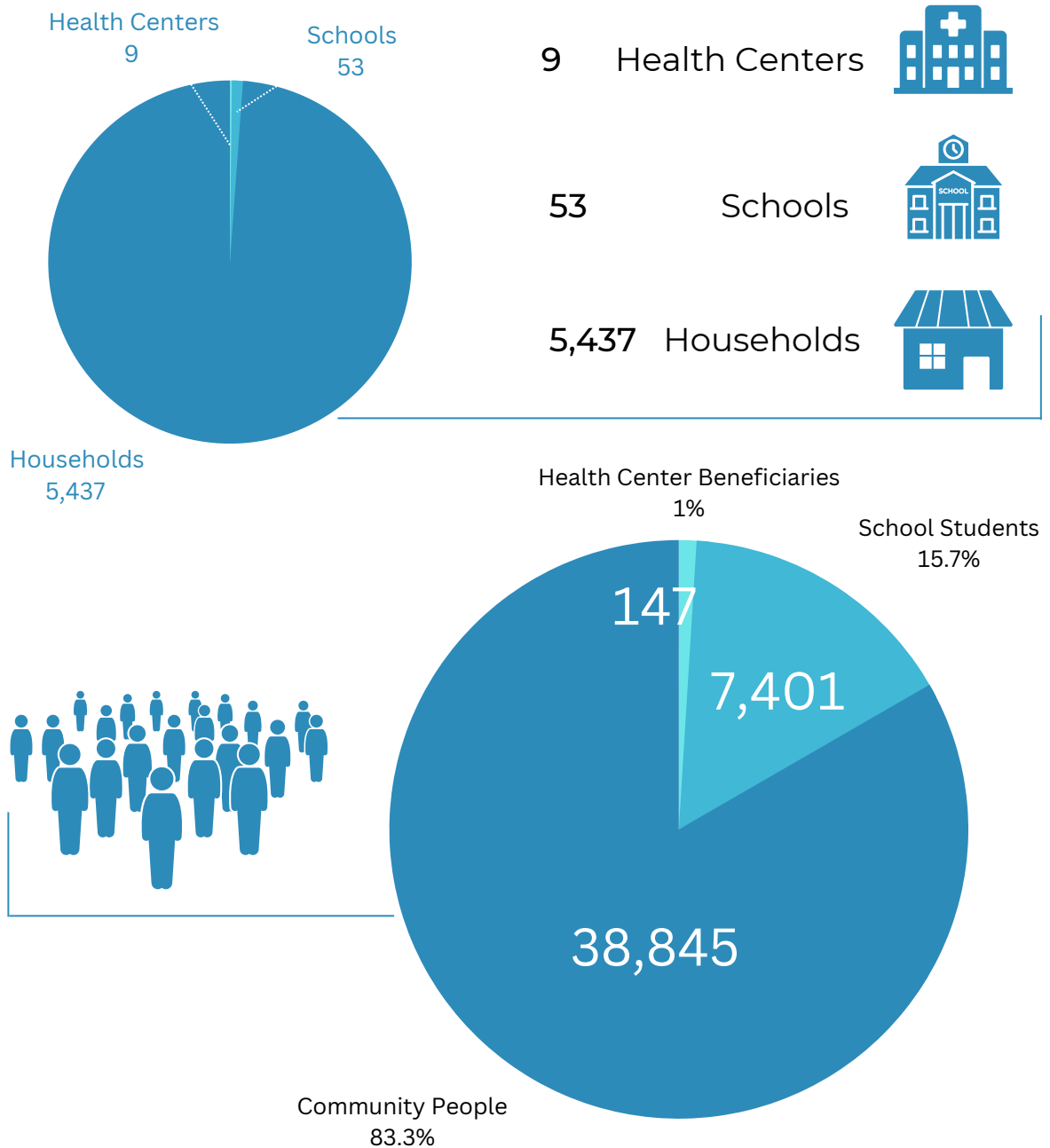


46,393

People benefitted

17 Our Work at a Glance 2021/22

NEWAH's interventions were focused on increasing improved water supply, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services to rural, poor and marginalized communities. The interventions were carried out in coordination with the local and provincial governments, building relationships with them and supporting their WASH initiatives. Besides, local actor's capacity development, sanitation and hygiene awareness creation, and promotion of gender equality and social inclusion were other complementing areas of intervention.



NEWAH's 30th Anniversary Celebration



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Program monitoring visit by charity: water

Finance monitoring visit by charity: water



Joint Monitoring Visit with the and the DCC of Baglung

Case Studies

19 NEWAH's 30th Anniversary Celebration



Honorable Minister of Water Supply Mr. Umakant Chaudhary delivering the inauguration speech of the celebration

The thirtieth anniversary of Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) has been completed. Honorable Minister of Water Supply Mr. Umakant Chaudhary inaugurated the celebration of anniversary held in Kathmandu on 31st July 2022. He thanked NEWAH for playing a significant role in the promotion of the drinking water, sanitation, and hygiene sector of Nepal for three decades and wished all the best for the continuation of the journey ahead.

He said that after the implementation of the Drinking Water and Sanitation Act 2022, which is in the process of being passed, it will be easier to meet the goals set by the Fifteenth Plan of the Government of Nepal along with the sustainable development goals. Minister Mr. Chaudhary emphasized on the sustainability of open defecation-free conditions and underlined to specifically address the needs of marginalized and underprivileged communities



Manoj Bhatta, Member Secretary of the Social Welfare Council

The member secretary of the Social Welfare Council, the National Chairman of the Federation of Drinking Water and Sanitation Users Nepal (FEDWASUN), the Executive Head of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority, the heads and representatives of different national and international organizations also addressed NEWAH with their best wishes at the event.

Speaking at the program, NEWAH's chairperson Prof. Kapil Shrestha expressed both gratitude and hope. Gratitude towards the donor agencies and other stakeholders who provided support to NEWAH and hope that this process would continue. After that, Mr. Resham Jung Singh, Director of NEWAH, presented the organization's Strategic Plan 2022-26 and discussed the contributions made by NEWAH in the drinking water, sanitation and hygiene sector of Nepal.



Honorable Minister of Water Supply Mr. Umakant Chaudhary (centre) with Umesh Pandey, former director of NEWAH (left) and Kapil Shrestha, chairperson of NEWAH (right)

The performances by the speakers were followed by three of the main highlights of the evening: the screening of a documentary called 'Three Decades of Glorious Journey', the publishing of a souvenir of the same name and the release of several songs related to water and sanitation composed by Mr. Keshav Bista, Ms. Basundhara Charti Magar and Mr. Yog Bahadur Moktan.

Finally, the evening ended with a series of acknowledgements. Thus, certificates of appreciation were given to NEWAH's founding chairperson, late Mr. Hari Bhakta Adhikari, the former chairperson of the organization, Mr. Ajay Dixit, the founding director Mr. Umesh Pandey and the three employees Mr. Kumar Silwal, Mr. Khadga Bahadur Budha Thapa and Mr. Mahesh Rasaili, who have served the organization continuously for 25 years or more.

Similarly, past and current partner organizations were also given a letter of appreciation as well as a token of love for their contributions. Among them UNICEF, WaterAid, DFID, Simavi, Plan Nepal, World Vision International, Oxfam, Concern Worldwide, A Child's Right, Rain Foundation, Australian Aid, Elgin Rotary Club, USAID, A Drop of Life, charity: water and Rotary Club of Bouddha.

21 Acknowledgement of Partners on the 30-year Journey

We believe that working through collaboration with diverse partners is fundamental to achieving change at a greater scale and with greater sustainability. In the past 30 years, we have collaborated with a wide range of partners to provide access to integrated WASH services for underserved people.

Our achievements on this 30-year journey would not have been possible without the generous support from our current donors charity: water, USA and Rotary Elgin, all our past partners, the contribution, hard work and commitment from our dedicated staffs, the continuous support from local governments, the efforts and trust from our beneficiary communities as well as their user committees, the support, guidance and direction of general members, NEWAH's Audit Committee, the Executive Board and the cooperation with governmental and non-governmental stakeholders.

NEWAH wants to thank each and every one who was directly or indirectly involved in this journey.

Thanks to ...

Current Partners and Stakeholders



Social Welfare Council Nepal

Ministry of Water Supply Nepal

Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management Nepal

Provincial Governments of Bagmati and Gandaki

Local Governments of Baglung, Kavre, Myagdi and Sindhuli.

Members of the National WASH Cluster Nepal

Federation of Drinking Water and Sanitation Users Nepal

Table 1: The District Line Agencies, the Local Governments and the communities of the following districts per Province :

Past Partners

Province 1	Bhojpur, Dhankuta, Ilam, Jhapa, Morang, Sankhuwasabha, Taplejung, Udayapur, Sunsari, Solukhumbu
Madhesh	Dhanusa, Mahottari, Parsa, Rautahat, Saptari, Sarlahi, Siraha
Bagmati	Bhaktapur, Chitwan, Dhading, Kathmandu, Makwanpur, Nuwakot, Sindhupalchowk
Gandaki	Banke, Bardiya, Gorkha, Kaski, Lamjung, Parbat, Pyuthan, Syangja, Tanahu
Lumbini	Dang, Palpa, Rupandehi
Karnali	Dailekh, Jajarkot, Salyan, Surkhet
Sudur Paschim	Achham, Bajhang

and



23 Program monitoring visit by charity: water



Board Meeting with charity: water's monitoring team

A program monitoring team from charity: water, USA visited and monitored NEWAH's recent interventions from April 26 to 29, 2022. The charity: water team comprised Michelle Jackson Riewer, Head of Programs, Sierra Tobin, Water Programs Senior Associate, and Vanessa Yu, Program Operations Senior Associate. The trip objectives included:

- To meet new NEWAH staff relevant to the charity: water-funded program.
- To gain more insight into NEWAH's fundraising progress and planning, the current water quality management and testing approach, the integration of ongoing monitoring, O&M, the sensor and call center monitoring approach, and the strategy and planning for shifts into new districts.
- To monitor the past implementation of projects funded by charity: water with a particular focus on private connection sites.
- To evaluate the program proposed under the 459 proposal.
- To ensure NEWAH understands charity: water's requirements, policies, and templates for Grants 399 and 459; to provide any brief training needed; and to answer any questions from the team.



To meet the trip scope, a review meeting was conducted on 26th April 2022 at NEWAH Headquarters followed by a field visit and a board meeting. Discussions on NEWAH's strategy, its working modality, the WSP, water quality testing, and innovative monitoring mechanisms were held. Later, the team comprising Sierra Tobin, Vanessa Yu, Dr. Maheshwar Prasad Yadav, and Rojeena Manandhar moved for a field visit to Sindhuli. The team visited the projects in Gadamre, Nakkaletar, Karmaha, Kalapani, Ramtar and Majhikhola. A detailed description of the projects as well as charity: water's monitoring method is given in the following table.

Monitoring visits by charity: water

S.M.	Date	Place	Interaction with	Inquiry on	Checked Schemes
1	27 April 2022	Gadamre, Rural Municipality of Tinpatan, Ward 5, Sindhuli	WSUC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status before and after the WASH project Tariff collection Coordination with NEWAH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reservoir tank Slow sand filter Horizontal roughing filter
2	27 April 2022	Nakkaletar, Rural Municipality of Tinpatan, Sindhuli	WSUC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status before and after the WASH project Tariff collection Coordination with NEWAH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water use, procurement process Benefits of the CS filter
3	28 April 2022	Karmaha, Municipality of Dudhauri, Ward 4	WSUC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status before and after the WASH project Problems in the community Tariff collection Water use pattern 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water intake Electric grid lifting system
4	28 April 2022	Kalapani, Rural Municipality of Dudhauri, Ward 3	WSUC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status before and after the WASH project Problems in the community Tariff collection Sanitation and hygiene status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household taps Reservoir tanks Electric grid lift borehole systems
5	28 April 2022	Katlekhola, Municipality of Kamalamai	NEWAH field staff and project beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status of water quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chlorination system
6	28 April 2022	Sindhuli Province Office	Bal Krishna Devkota and Bibek Dahal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Quality lab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hello Monitoring Call center monitoring Follow up activities
7	28 April 2022	Sindhuli Province Office	de-briefing meeting with all staff stationed at the Province Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> effectiveness of office operation and management 	
8	29 April 2022	Water Quality Lab, District Health Office, Sindhuli	Ganga Karki, employee of the Health Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status of water quality Facilities available in the district Challenges in water quality testing 	
9	29 April 2022	Ramtar, Rural Municipality of Sunkoshi	former Mayor of the Rural Municipality of Sunkoshi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates on past activities Future plans 	
10	29 April 2022	Latidevi	NEWAH field staff and project beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present scenario Quality of the water Possible flood contamination of water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dug well

25 Finance Monitoring Visit by charity: water



Welcoming Ljubica Tomic (right) in Sindhuli

From 10th January to 14th January 2022, a second monitoring visit by charity: water, USA was conducted. This time, Ljubica Tomic, Program Finance Senior Analyst from charity: water, USA visited, monitored and advised on the financial processes and control of NEWAH's intervention on the projects. The visit comprised the following activities:

- Meeting with Senior Management Team
- Courtesy Meeting with NEWAH's Board
- Meeting with PKF T.R Upadhya & Co.
- Meeting with various Departments: WASH, PMR, Admin/HR
- Finance Activities (Audit, Procurement, Taxes, Payrolls, Upcoming Proposal)
- Know-how on various technologies implemented by NEWAH (piped schemes, sensors, etc.)
- Field Visit to Sindhuli (Devasthan and Sunkoshi) where an interaction with the users' committee, beneficiary people and the chairperson of the Rural Municipality of Sunkoshi took place

Ljubica Tomic's visit was fruitful as she exchanged personal experience on good practices with the team and viewed NEWAH's documentation, internal process, compliance and audit procedure as appropriate.

Joint Monitoring Visit with the DCC of Baglung 26

In order to analyze past achievements of NEWAH in Baglung and to coordinate WASH activities on district level in the future, NEWAH conducted a Joint Monitoring Visit with the District Coordination Committee of Baglung in Sile on December 30 and 31.

The group observed the water technology, i. e. piped water systems, reservoir tanks, taps, treatment technologies, etc. and checked the mechanisms of the Water Safety Plan as well as its sustainability. Additionally, several household visits were conducted and many conversations with WSUC members as well as caretakers held.

Impressed by the results and the interaction with the community, the joint monitoring team suggested to NEWAH to expand its WASH projects all over the district.



Later, the Inauguration of the program took place. It was carried out by DCC Chief Mr. Rajendra Dhungana by clipping the ribbon and officially turning on the first tap stand of the completed WASH projects.



The photos on the left show Mr. Rajendra Dhungana cutting the ribbon (above) in Ayerpani, located in the Rural Municipality of Bareng, Baglung and turning on the tap stand (below) in Sile Washmor, located in the Rural Municipality of Tarakhola, Baglung.

27 Case Studies

Case Study 1:

NEWAH's new sensors - A technology revolutionizing monitoring efforts and assuring the sustainability of remote water projects in Nepal now and in the future

- by Bibek Prashad Dahal

The availability of water in the communities after the completion of the project has caused great joy among the villagers. For some time, the communities used water happily and with confidence that they would have adequate access of drinking water in days to come.

However, the happiness of one group residing at the upper part of the water system didn't last for long. The water points located at the upper portions of the communities encountered a major problem: They were getting less water day by day. This circumstance raised lots of questions among the villagers. How could this have happened? Why did it happen? Was it because the source had decreased its capacities? Or was the reason some kind of problem in the water supply line?

It took the villagers a while to fully understand the problem. To their dismay, the inconvenient truth was this: The issue was different; it was neither a problem with the source nor one with the water supply line. Instead, there were two other reasons.

The first: an excessive use of water at the lower belt of the community. The water users residing here used more water than expected to irrigate their vegetable yard by connecting pipes directly to the water points.

The second: An immense waste of water at the lower belt of the community. The negligence of water users for the necessity of maintenance of water points caused them to let the water flow uselessly for days and nights. It was found that users didn't even change the taps, which weren't working anymore and which were therefore lagging, allowing a constant useless water flow day in day out.

In that scenario finally, it was no wonder that the water didn't reach users residing at the upper belt unless there was enough water in the reservoir.

This is the story of a Nepalese village named Okhargaira. Located in Rural Municipality of Tinpatan in ward 06 (previously Balajor VDC ward-06), Okhargaira is a very remote village from Sindhuli district. Here, eight years ago, a Drinking Water and Sanitation Project was implemented by Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) with generous support from 'charity: water'. This given case of unequal water distribution due to water mismanagement in some parts of the village had added additional challenges to NEWAH on its way to the effective implementation of sustainable management and equitable benefit sharing of given resources.

980 people from 140 household are profiting from the drinking water facilities, collecting water from 6 different water sources which is later being distributed to 72 water points. Mismanagement however makes this difficult.

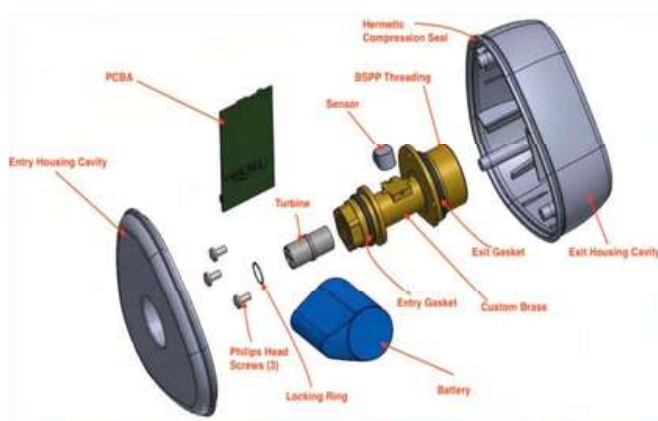
In order to resolve these challenges NEWAH has introduced different technologies, among them 'Hello Monitoring'. The Hello Monitoring technique is used by NEWAH to get information about the projects through telephone calls with the members of the users' committee as well as the water users. This is crucial, especially after the project has been completed and NEWAH has left the project sites.

The issue of uneven distribution of water resources was reported by Uttam Lamichhane, the chairperson of Okhargaira's Water and Sanitation Users Committee (WSUC). According to him the issue was observed within the water points of the upper belt of the community, as the wastage of water by the users from the lower belt didn't allow water to store in the reservoir. As a result some of the households from the upper belt were totally deprived of even getting a single drop. The issue was so prominent that it was about to destroy the social harmony within the communities and the users from the upper belt started scolding the WSUC for not managing the water system effectively.

NEWAH's reaction was as follows. Staff from NEWAH's provincial office in Sindhuli installed a sensor, which is a remote distance monitoring technology, within 57 of the 72 water points. A sensor is a small machine which consists of a GSM SIM, batteries and a turbine. It provides information on the quantity of water flowing through a tap as well as disturbances in water flow.

The main objective of establishing sensors is to monitor the functionality and working capacity of a distant water system from a reference point (in NEWAH's case from its headquarter).

Through this technique NEWAH can immediately get all the necessary information on the functionality of a particular water system, which can be used for an immediate maintenance reaction if needed. The sensor monitoring technique has proven to be one of NEWAH's most effective measures for checking the regular functionality and sustainability of projects.



According to Kumar Pulami Magar every water point now gets an equal amount of water and the users from the lower belt have stopped irrigating the vegetable yards by connecting the pipes to the water points directly. They have also stopped their unusual practice of leaving the water taps open and instead immediately call Mr. Magar to replace and renovate nonfunctional taps on time.

Uttam Lamichhane, the chairperson of the community's WSUC reported that the connection of sensors to the water system has put an end to the complaints of users. The sensor provides reliable information on the functionality and non-functionality of the system, which helps to provide the appropriate treatment on time. He also added, that in his eyes, in national context the sensor technology has now proven to be one of the most effective measures for the sustainability of remote water systems, which is a milestone in rural development in Nepal.

29 Case Studies

Case Study 2:

How sustainable behavior change in a remote community is introduced through NEWAH's Water Safety Plan

- by Basundara Gharti Magar

Padam Kumari Thapa still remembers those dark days of the past when she had to walk at least an hour to fetch just a pot of water. She is still wondering how she had spent those days when there was neither adequate nor safe water to collect at the nearby village.

This is the case of all the inhabitants of Nakkaletar, a small village situated in the Rural Municipality of Tinpatan in Ward 1 of the district of Sindhuli. The memories of Padam Kumari reveal the pain and sorrow that the communities have been facing earlier in life in shortage of clean drinking water.



The issue was even more prevalent during the monsoon season in Nepal, when floods troubled the region and turbid water flooded the springs and wells, making their water even more inedible and dangerous. But as they didn't have any other alternatives the communities were still compelled to drink this turbid and contaminated water; incidents of diarrhea, cholera and worms were common.

All this changed last year. With financial support from 'charity: water' and technical and administrative support from Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) the 74 households of Nakkaletar now have personal water points. Already always having had a hard life, they finally got rid of the additional pain induced by drinking water scarcity. The availability of water in each household has made daily life easier and more comfortable for the villagers. In addition, the training delivered by NEWAH according to the Water Safety Plan has changed their health, sanitation and hygiene behavior dramatically.

After the completion of the water project in June 2022, training on safe drinking water was conducted at community level. The participants learned the techniques on how to keep drinking water safe from the point of its origin up to consumption, from the water source up to the water points. They learned about the risk of water contamination and in which part of the water system a higher predominance of contamination lies and what the domestic ways for water purification are.

As the source is considered the heart of a drinking water system, training participants were also made aware on keeping water sources and its surroundings free from any kind of pollution, they were taught methods of cleaning water sources, pipelines and reservoirs from time to time, of keeping the water pots and water points safe and clean on a regularly basis and of managing and utilizing waste water.

Additional in-depth discussions on how to assure water quality made villagers realize the importance of safe water management for a healthy life. They were also taught why to be careful with even clean and transparent water, because it might contain microscopic organisms that might cause different diseases.

According to Padam Kumari, the aspects of the training, provided by NEWAH, focusing on methods for domestic purification of drinking water included sharing the knowledge on the methods of boiling, chlorination, SODIS and silver chloride filtration. While boiling has proven to be the best way for domestic purification, the other methods are also effective. Discussions were also held on the differences between normal and silver chloride filters. Even though from the outside silver chloride filter may look similar to normal filters their inner bottom of the upper segment is coated with a layer of silver chloride, which has the capacity to filter and kill microscopic organisms and therefore lead to water purification. This way, when filtered down through candles and reaching the lower segment, the water, now free from organisms, becomes more hygienic and safer to drink.



Padam added, that the silver chloride filter is now used by each household in Nakkletar. According to her, investing in silver chloride filter initially seemed expensive, but has proven cost efficient because it becomes much cheaper on the long run due to the longevity of the filter's lifespan.

"After the training no cases of diarrhea have been reported in the entire community and those who have received training only drink filtered water.", Padma Kumari added.

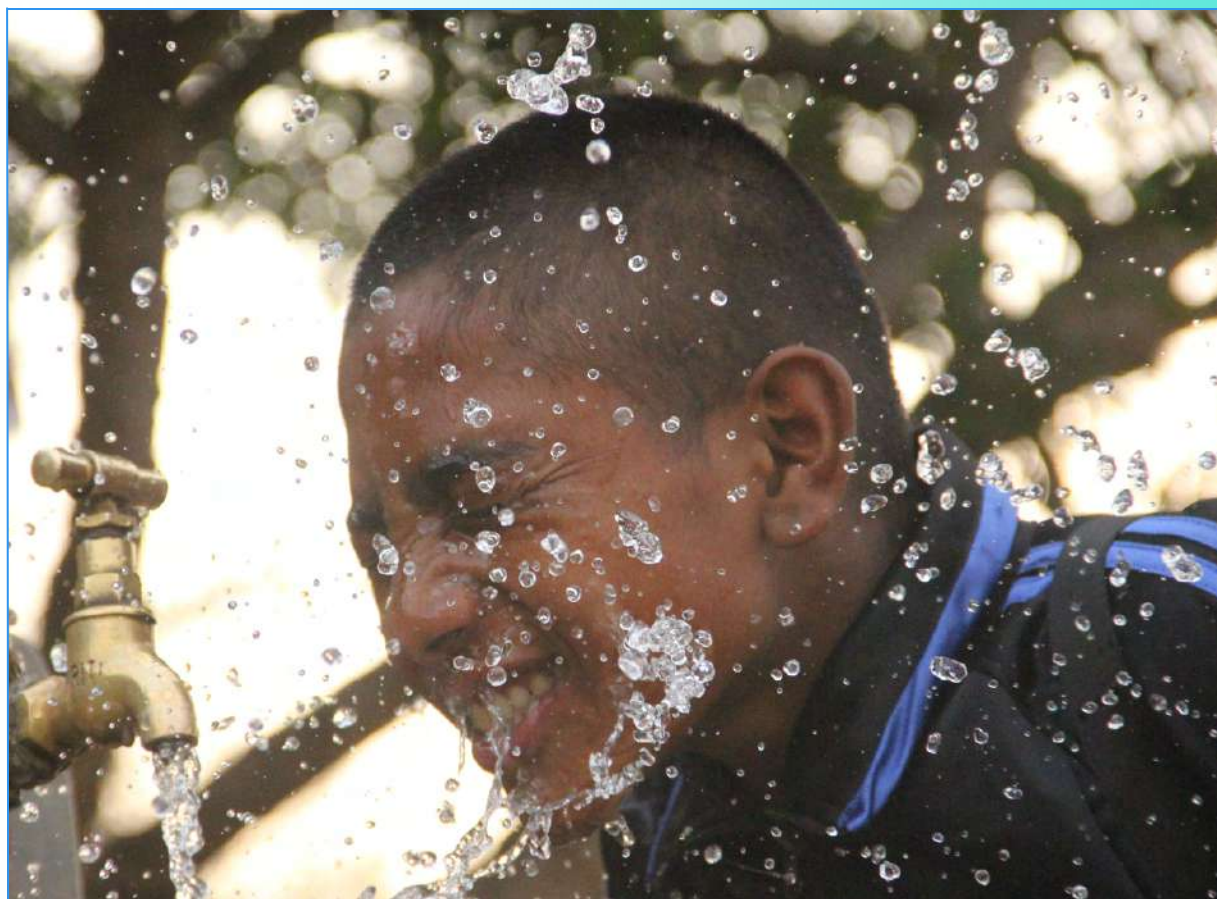
The water availability has brought a significant behavior change in Nakkletar and it is seen that the Water Safety Plan has had an immense influence in making the behavior change more effective and sustainable.

31 Thematic Area I: Sustainable WASH Service Delivery

As the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) focus on access to safely managed water supply, sanitation, and hygiene for all communities by the end of 2030, it is NEWAH's ambition to contribute significantly to meet that goal in Nepal.

In line with SDG6 NEWAH's projects in the fiscal year 2021/22 were characterized by the provision of access to adequate quantities of water, which is safe, accessible, acceptable, reliable, and available at public or yard connection water points.

This approach is also aligned with the objectives of the 15th Periodic Plan of the government, which aims at providing qualitative health and a healthy environment, social justice, accountable social services and a quality life. The plan has targeted to reach 40% of the total population with high to medium standard drinking water facilities by 2026 ; 100% of the population with access to improved sanitation facilities achieve and fundamentally aims at maintaining the open defecation free (ODF) status of the country.



SDG6

ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL



One in three people live without sanitation. This is causing unnecessary disease and death. Although huge strides have been made with access to clean drinking water, lack of sanitation is undermining these advances. If we provide affordable equipment and education in hygiene practices, we can stop this senseless suffering and loss of life.

Making progress on SDG 6 will enable and

drive progress on other SDGs including:

						1 NO POVERTY
						2 ZERO HUNGER
						3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
4 QUALITY EDUCATION 	5 GENDER EQUALITY 	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES 	13 CLIMATE ACTION 	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	

Overview

In the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 NEWAH implemented rural water supply projects with, in most cases, low cost technologies such as gravity flow systems using the water from spring sources. Spring sources are generally prioritized as the main source of NEWAH supported water supply projects.

The systems use gravity to transport water from the source to the user through a pipe network. Only when spring sources were not available in a certain community or the sources were having not enough discharge to meet the community's demand, stream sources were used as an alternative source for water supply projects.

In this fiscal year projects were carried out in 68 communities making them eligible to the declaration of clean and healthy communities. 5,437 households were served and through that 46,393 people reached. Additionally 9 health centers and 53 schools benefitted from NEWAH's work.



To ensure the quality of all rural water supply systems, including those fueled by stream sources, so that they meet the standard of providing safely managed water, NEWAH used water quality treatment measures like roughing filters and slow sand filters.



Construction of a Slow Sand Filter, Baglung

To ensure that the right quantity of safe water reached even the remotest areas, NEWAH used lifting technologies, i.e, solar lifting and electrical (grid) lifting from downstream sources like springs or streams. In such cases additional structures nearby water sources like sump wells or infiltration wells were built to lift the collected water to service delivery tanks at the top of the communities, from where the water now reaches the consumers via gravity flow systems.

In some cases NEWAH also made use of deep boring, financed through the local governments. Here groundwater is delivered to communities by using lifting and gravity flow system technologies as well.

As delivering safe water alone does not automatically maintain the health of communities, NEWAH also facilitated awareness building activities on sanitation and hygiene. This approach has proven to be a must on the way to sustainable behavior changes.

Therefore it was also part of every project to focus on educating communities through educational events, home visits, campaigning, WASH Day celebrations and more to enable them to meet all the indicators set for their declaration as a clean and healthy community.

I. Community Participation

In all projects NEWAH ensured the meaningful participation of community members and enabled them to participate in identifying, planning, designing, and implementing their WASH projects. In each community gender and social inclusive Water Supply and Sanitation User Committees (WSUC) were formed as the members were elected by the community itself in a mass meeting organized by NEWAH. Then NEWAH representatives clarified NEWAH's policy and procedures for the contribution of users as well as the local governments.



Collection of the operation and maintenance fund by a community in Sindhuli

This process, called baseline survey, was followed by the technical and social survey after the commitments from the people in terms of planning, designing, and implementing the WASH projects were made. To ensure the sustainability of the projects, the active participation of the community people was hereby assured.

II. Community Managed Water Supply Systems

Even though NEWAH provided the economical support for all WASH projects and also managed the supplementary fund contribution from the local governments as well as the community contribution from the users, NEWAH made sure that all projects are community-managed. The communities' WSUCs mobilized the users and managed their contribution of building the WASH schemes themselves. Ultimately NEWAH also provided close supervision and monitoring support, but after all, the projects are now owned by the communities themselves.

III. Capacity Building of Communities

To ensure the community's ownership of a project, comprehensive Project Management Trainings for Water and Sanitation User Committee (WSUC) members have been conducted. It was expected from the communities to give the maximum level of community contribution during the project cycle, while NEWAH's approach on Gender Equity and Social Inclusion at community level was ensured. WSUC members then took lead in the implementation process of the projects.


Additionally NEWAH facilitated the process of selecting caretakers considering gender- and social inclusive aspects and trained them in terms of operation and maintenance. They were trained for regular maintenance and technical know-how on repair and maintenance of the water supply systems to ensure constant water supply in the community still after NEWAH would have left the project sites.

As required by its policies and procedures, NEWAH also facilitated the process of the selection of Community Hygiene and Sanitation Volunteers (CHSVs) by the WSUCs. After their selection, the volunteers were trained in Hygiene and Sanitation Promotion, so that they could support NEWAH's staff to make the community achieve behavior changes in the implementation phase and ensure that these practices were continued long after NEWAH's assistance would be gone.

Moreover, NEWAH also facilitated in each community the process of the selection of both a Community Child Health Group as well as a Community Hygiene Awareness Club by the respective WSUC. The members of both committees were also trained in promotion of hygiene and sanitation to gain overall support to meet the hygiene and sanitation activities.

Finally, a Climate Resilient Water Safety Plan (CR-WSP) Team was formed and trained in improving the water quality and taking care of other improvement plans by applying the steps of the WSP.

To round up the capacity building efforts, WSUCs and caretakers participated in Refresher Trainings envisioning the set up of effective operation and management systems post construction of the projects



WSUC Members	694
WSUC Female Members	315
Total Caretakers	321
Female Caretakers	152
SMC Members	213
SMC Female Members	444
CCHGs	28
CHACs	41

IV. Accessibility of Water

NEWAH's projects were characterized by the implementation of public and yard connection water points. As part of community water systems, public water points were constructed for an average of 3-4 households and all those households not being able to access water within a 15 minutes reach were served with on-plot water points.

V. Assurance of Water Quality

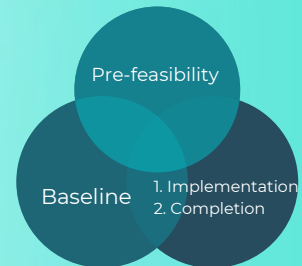
To assure the quality of the supplied water meets the national drinking water quality standards of the government of Nepal NEWAH carries out water quality assurance and testing in several stages.

The stages consist of first a pre-feasibility survey, then a baseline survey, and lastly implementation and completion stages.

Starting with the pre-feasibility study, NEWAH assured the appropriateness of water sources, measured the source location and the possibility of source pollution as well as it conducted a sanitary surveillance. Only safe sources, e.g. those with low chances of contamination and meeting the criteria for future constructions, were selected for the projects.

Later when conducting the baseline surveys, or detailed technical and social surveys, the water quality was tested again, this time checking the parameters defined by the National Drinking Water Quality Standard in rural water supply systems (2005).

After the test results confirmed the appropriateness of the sources, additional treatment plants as per the project design were added.



Finally, in the implementation phase, the Climate Resilient Water Safety Plan (CR-WSP) was implemented as per NEWAH's customized guidelines, including the formation and training of CR-WSP Teams. Right after the completion of the constructions, the water quality was tested again the standard as per government guidelines. Only then, after fulfilling the standard as per government guidelines, the water was supplied to the communities.

After the completion of each project, the end line survey or evaluation of the project was conducted. By testing one last time on a sample basis the water quality parameters were assured once again and NEWAH continued the provision of system treatment plants, i.e., plain sedimentation tanks, roughing filters, slow sand filters (SSF) and chlorination units.

NEWAH ensures safe water, while protecting the spring sources and building awareness at household level to allow communities the treatment of the system at the Point of Use (POU).

Each community's WSUC is responsible for ensuring quality water supply, the continuity of hygiene and sanitation activities as well as the handling of water after NEWAH leaves the project site.

VI. Sustainable Sanitation and Hygiene Behavior

NEWAH always includes the promotion of hygiene and sanitation in integrated water supply water projects. In this regard, in the fiscal year 2021/22 NEWAH followed the Community Led Total Sanitation Approach, which aims at helping households achieve basic sanitation coverage as quickly as possible. This includes helping households to construct their own latrines and other aspects of environmental sanitation, including integrated solid waste and wastewater management.

Important indicators set for total sanitation were communicated to every community member by visiting and monitoring them at household level. Additional means to raise awareness on hygiene and sanitation were toll education and the capacity building of community hygiene and sanitation volunteers, child clubs and school WASH committees.

Community members were facilitated to make hygiene and sanitation relevant structures like drying racks, washing slabs, hand washing stations and structures for the management of solid waste. They were urged to always keep water and soap at hand washing stations and Information Education Communication (IEC) Materials were demonstrated and distributed.

As even improved sources may contaminate while supplying, NEWAH also educated on how to handle water at household level and treat the systems at the Point of Use (POU).

		
Hand Washing Stations	2,361	
Washing Slabs	2,344	
Dish Drying Rack	3,390	
Garbage Pits	3,058	
		
Community hygiene and Sanitation Campaigns	215	
School Hygiene Education Sessions	185	

VII. Utilization of Waste Water and Fresh Water

The WSUCs were informed that they had to set the policy of using the fresh water as per the project design. Wastage or misuse of fresh water will be future challenges for meeting the demand. The overflow water from the RVTs can be used by users for productive activities and earning some income. The households should use the wastewater from the kitchen and hand washing stations to promote the kitchen garden. They should also have systems of using extra water by carrying water in vessels and not by directly using loose pipes from the water points.

VIII. Operation and Maintenance Fund Management

In the fiscal year 2021-2022, NEWAH supported WSUCs and users in the collection of the initial maintenance fund as per the agreement. Thus, WSUCs were enabled to open a bank account, where the initially collected maintenance fund was to be deposited. From the mid of the implementation phase, the users were also advised to pay a monthly tariff.



The WSUCs understood the importance of effective operation and maintenance management, whereupon they received an account keeping system training by NEWAH.



After having received sufficient training, the long-term existence of the WSUCs was assured and they now regularly organize meetings, with a system of keeping the minutes for decisions. The WSUC members were given the responsibility of recruiting system caretakers as required and pay them regularly as per their decisions.

IX. Spare Parts and Tools Management

After the project completion tools and equipment sent to the project areas for work were handed over to the WSUCs. They should be used for repair and maintenance of the water systems in the future. The WSUCs were advised for the management of minimum required spare parts for the repair and maintenance of the projects.



"It is NEWAH's aim to achieve that all members of the community of an entire Municipality/Rural Municipality irrespective of their gender, class, ethnicity and belief are able to access their right to WASH ensuring that nobody is discriminated. NEWAH particularly addresses the needs of geographically excluded parts of the population living in remote areas."

- excerpt from NEWAH's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 referring to its GESI policy



Poverty Sensitiveness




Gender Equality and Social Inclusion



Non-Discrimination

Even though NEWAH follows a total coverage approach, the population primarily focused on consists of **women, children, people with different abilities as well as caste and ethnic minorities from rural and marginalized communities** who are deprived of basic water and sanitation services. The number of beneficiaries according to their economical ranking as well as their ethnic group in 2021/22 is given in the two following tables.

Economical Ranking	
Medium	6,100
Poor	15,130
Ultra Poor	17,615
Total	38,845

Ethnicity	
Brahmin, Chhetri	3,734
Dalit	8,477
Ethnic Minorities & Others	925
Janajati	25,708
Total	38,845

41 Thematic Area II: Capacity Building

NEWAH has designed and provided various trainings to local people at project level as well as at municipality level. The purpose of these trainings is to create awareness on good hygiene behavior practices for lasting behavior change, to transfer the knowledge and skills necessary for project operation management and sustainability, and to build technical skills of water supply system operation and maintenance among the beneficiaries. The ultimate aim of providing various training and orientation is to help them to be able to manage and maintain their WASH project in a planned, effective, managerial and sustainable way and to make them realize their potential in undertaking other development needs of their community.

NEWAH also has conducted tri-party project agreement workshops with Palikas and Ward WASH-CCs briefing the clear roles and responsibilities of concerned stakeholders. For each project these stakeholders besides the Palika and the Ward-WASH-CC are the WSUC, NEWAH and the Users.



NEWAH ensures the participation of women from the first community meeting onwards, laying the foundation for better health and the capacities to climb the economic ladder

NEWAH has conducted and facilitated the following trainings at community level to strengthen the capacity of local people, the WSUCs and other community level groups:

- Project Promotor and Project Assistant Training on WASH project management and bookkeeping
- Community Mobilization and Project Planning, Management and Sustainability Training to Water & Sanitation Users Committees (WSUCs)
- Orientation of Plan WASH Project with Palika
- Ward WASH-CC Orientation
- System Caretaker Training
- Gender and Social Inclusion Training
- Child Health Awareness Training
- School WASH Committee Orientation
- Community Child Health Group Training
- Community Hygiene & Sanitation Volunteer Training
- Project Monitoring and Evaluation Training for WSUCs
- Water Safety Plan Training



43 Thematic Area III: Coordination and Advocacy

In the field of advocacy and coordination NEWAH has given emphasis on improving the local, district, province and federal level coordination and influencing policy decisions based on the good practices in WASH and the research-based learning of NEWAH. The focus of coordination is to increase the WASH budget through local governments, engage the media for sanitation and hygiene awareness promotion through sector coordination and support municipalities in selected districts to prepare the total sanitation action plan.

NEWAH is a member of different national level committees. They are: Climate Change and DRR Thematic Group, MHM Partners Alliance and the National WASH Cluster.

NEWAH is currently providing support to prepare the WASH plan of the municipalities of Baglung and Sindhuli. This is to be done in coordination with the N-WASH platform and the respective districts.

Additionally, NEWAH is also developing the Water Use Master Plan (WUMP) of Karnali Province in collaboration with DAI/USAID Karnali Water Activity and providing technical support for the preparation of the WASH Plans of the provincial local governments in collaboration with Sustainable WASH for All (SUSWA)/NIRAS.



Coordination Meeting with representatives of the Ministries of Water, Irrigation and Energy of Bagmati Province; Headquarter NEWAH, Kathmandu

S.N.	Type of Activity	Purpose	Date	Place	Participatory Authorities	Participants	Outcome
1	Coordination and Annual review Workshop	Coordination and progress review reflection	28 September, 2021	Baglung	District Coordination Committee Baglung NEWAH PO, Baglung	More than 60 guests and participants Honorable Minister of Education Science and Technology Mr. Devendra Raj Poudel District and local government level stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination and progress review reflection Appreciation of NEWAH's work in FY 2020/21 and feedback for upcoming grant programs
2	District level workshop on sensor monitoring technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge Sharing on sensor technology Discussion on the formation/reformation of a D-WASH-CC in Sindhuli 	23 December, 2021	Sindhuli	District Coordination Committee Sindhuli NEWAH	DCC Sindhuli: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson Deputy Chairperson Municipality Chairperson Concerned stakeholders NEWAH Headquarters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deputy Director Technical Coordinator Technical Manager NEWAH PO Sindhuli: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Province Manager Finance Coordinator PMR Supervisor 	Knowledge Sharing
3	Joint Monitoring Visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of WASH project in Sile Observation of water technology (piped water system, reservoir tanks, taps, treatment technology) Checking of WSP mechanisms and sustainability measures Household visits and conversations with WSUC members and caretakers 	30 and 31 December, 2021	Sile	DWASH-CC, District Coordination Committee Baglung NEWAH	DCC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson, Rajendra Dhungana Under Secretary, Phul Maya PunChief RM Tarakhola: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrative Officer, Khim Bahadur B.K Public Health Office Baglung: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RMNayab Subba, Dilli Prasad Acharya Immunization Supervisor, Dilip Budhathoki WSSDO, Baglung: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section Officer, Sudip Acharya, Image Television: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reporter, Damar Bahadur Budhathoki PO NEWAH, Baglung: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SHSF, Srijana Patamagar Admin Supervisor, Binod Koirala 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impressed from the interaction with the community, the joint monitoring team suggested to NEWAH to expand such type of WASH projects all over the district Inauguration of the program by chief guests

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4	Coordination Meeting and Project Monitoring	Project coordination and monitoring	Feb, 2022	Nishikhola and Badigad	Rural Municipalities of Nishikhola and Badigad, Baglung NEWAH	PMR Officer Mr. Binod Koirala Municipality Chairperson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project agreement signed Agreement on partnership modality between NEWAH and the local governments
5	Joint Project Monitoring and Evaluation	Project monitoring and evaluation	12 to 15 April, 2022	Nishikhola and Badigad	Rural Municipalities of Nishikhola and Badigad, Baglung NEWAH	PMR Officer Mr. Binod Koirala R/Municipality representatives municipality chairperson Chief Administrative Officer	Project site visit and observation of the potentiality of project and implementation status
6	Project Evaluation Workshop	Project evaluation	15 to 19 June, 2022	Dohorpatan	Municipality of Dohorpatan, Burtibang NEWAH	Representatives of municipality	Project Evaluation
7	Meeting	Coordination and MoU with District Coordination Committee	29 June, 2022	Sindhuli	District Coordination Committee Sindhuli NEWAH	NEWAH's Province Manger, Mr. Dinesh Upreti DCC Chairperson, Mr. Karsang Lama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination and project agreements signed Setting the course for the implementation of 19 projects
8	Meeting	Coordination and MoU with District Coordination Committee	29 June, 2022	Kavre	District Coordination Committee Kavre NEWAH	NEWAH's Province PMR supervisor, Mr. Nabin Chimire DCC Chairperson, Mr. Deepak Kumar Gautam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination and project agreements signed Setting the course for another 9 projects
9	Meeting	Coordination and MoU with District Coordination Committee	4 July, 2022	Myagdi	District Coordination Committee Myagdi NEWAH	DCC Chairperson NEWAH: Province Manager PMR Officer	Coordination and project agreements signed

S.N.	Type of Activity	Purpose	Date	Place	Participatory Authorities	Participants	Outcome
10	Meeting	Coordination and MoU with District Coordination Committee	8 July, 2022	Baglung	District Coordination Committee Baglung NEWAH	NEWAH's Province Manager, Mr. Kumar Prasad Silwal DCC Chair, Rajendra Dhungana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination and project agreements signed • Setting the course for the implementation of 18 projects
11	District Learning and Sharing Interaction Workshop	Sharing of NEWAH's past experiences and best practices to district stakeholders	25 July, 2022	Baglung	District Coordination Committee Baglung NEWAH Representatives of the municipalities of Baglung and Myagdi	NEWAH Headquarters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PMR Manager NEWAH PO Baglung: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Province Manager • PMR Officer DCC Baglung: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson • Deputy Chairperson Municipality Chairperson Baglung Government officials of other concerned agencies	Knowledge Sharing
12	District Learning and Sharing Interaction Workshop	Sharing of Progress and Learning	29 July, 2022	Sindhuli	District Coordination Committee Sindhuli NEWAH	NEWAH Headquarters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH Coordinator • MIS and M & E Officer NEWAH PO Sindhuli: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Coordinator • Technical Officer DCC Sindhuli: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson • Deputy Chairperson Municipality Chairperson Sindhuli Government officials of other concerned agencies	Knowledge Sharing

47 Thematic Area IV: Research & Development and Knowledge Management

Research and development refers to the method of investigation to explore and identify new products/services or to improve the existing ones with better quality. Research and development can be taken as the first step of the planning process that ensures an organization has adequate data, information and knowledge regarding the products/services, programs and projects.

NEWAH has been conducting a large number of water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) activities for the last 30 years within the rural and suburban communities of Nepal. Within this long journey NEWAH has gained a great deal of experience and countless learning. Now, NEWAH has a diversified team, that is equipped with technical skills to construct various types of water supply schemes and able to adopt innovative technologies. NEWAH also has professionals in capacity building and advocacy in WASH and water related issues, and experts in the fields of GESI, DRR, climate change, sustainable development and in socio-economy, anthropology and other scientific researches.



We have plenty of case studies, countless lessons learnt and a lot of best practices that can be helpful and especially serve as good resources for governments, non-governments, agencies and other various stakeholders working to address WASH and water related issues. These resources can especially be useful for stakeholders as supporting documents in formulating and implementing programs, policies and strategies to improve the WASH sector on a local, national and global scale. Some of our publications and case studies can be downloaded from our website <https://newah.org.np> from the publication section.

Research and Development within the WASH sector is lagging behind even though WASH is a very sensitive sector. Hence understanding the present scenario and the importance of Research and Development to find out new ideas and appropriate solutions to tackle existing issues, NEWAH has strategically accepted Research and Development and Knowledge Management as one of its thematic areas.

NEWAH has implemented different distance monitoring tools and techniques with an aim to operate its completed projects more effectively, functionally and sustainably. Hence, Research and Development and Knowledge Management has now become an integral part of NEWAH's focus areas and has been underlined by the establishment of a separate department for this purpose. The department's aim is to help focus on Research and Development to enrich the sectoral knowledge base and promote innovations in the WASH sector.

It will primarily focus on the dissemination of learning and good practices of interventions carried out by NEWAH. It can also help to generate evidence to inform about our impact, leverage a greater space for WASH innovation and influence policies and practices related to the WASH sector.

The objectives of R&D and Knowledge Management are:

- To engage in research and development to enrich the sectoral knowledge base and promote innovations in WASH and other cross-cuttings sectors
- To disseminate learning and good practices interventions in WASH and other relevant sectors to target audiences
- To support better quality programming and evidence-based decision making on a local, national and global scale
- To generate evidence to influence policies and practices related to the WASH sector

Our Achievements in R&D and Knowledge Management

- [Detailed Baseline Survey of Yamunadanda](#): The detailed baseline survey of the community of Yamunadanda of Sunkoshi Rural Municipality-4 in the district of Sindhupalchowk had been conducted on WASH and water related issues. A proposal is prepared to address the issues based on data and information provided by the survey. The proposal is now submitted to different donors and is under the process of decision.
- NEWAH's [Strategic Plan 2022-2026](#) has been published and provides a clear roadmap on what NEWAH is focusing on in coming days. The Strategic Plan 2022-2026 can be downloaded from <https://newah.org.np> from the publication section
- The Methods and Methodologies for conducting [research on sensor technology](#) have been finalized. The research will focus on the theme “lessons learnt, challenges and replication of sensor technology”
- Using monitoring techniques like Hello Monitoring NEWAH has continued accumulating [data on the functionality and the sustainability of past projects](#) to scale up the efficiency of the planning process in the future.

Besides, we are regularly sharing our activities and achievements through different social media channels like Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram. NEWAH has been now associated with different fundraising platforms like Global Giving and is also trying its best to make use of crowdfunding mechanisms.

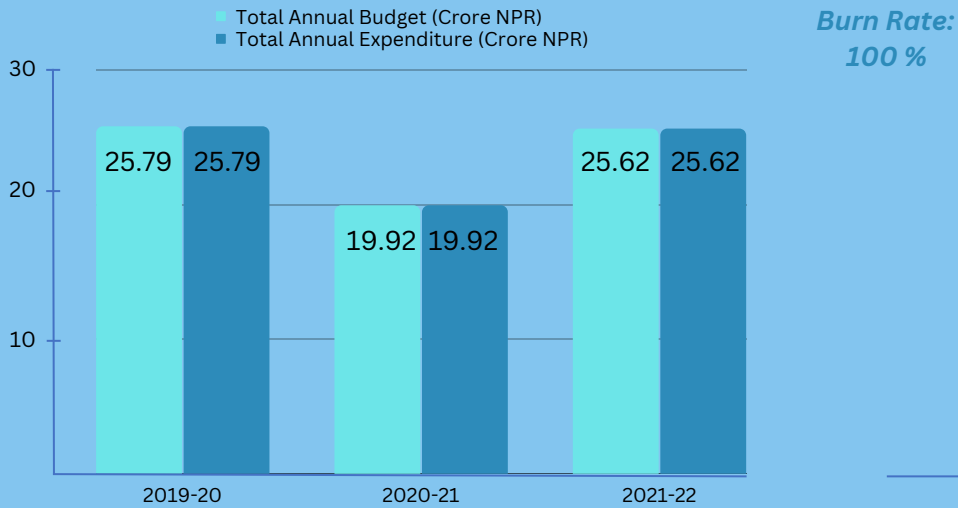


Scope identified for R&D

S.N	Key Technical Areas	Focus
1	Water Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household water handling and treatment Ensuring water quality in post project and knowledge of WSUC at community level Effectiveness of slow sand filter for improving water quality Community operation and management system for slow sand filter
2	Community Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effectiveness/ functionality of Water and Sanitation Users Committee and operation of maintenance fund Effectiveness of NEWAH's capacity building programs Capacity of trained caretakers for repair and maintenance
3	Hygiene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service of hand washing stations in WASH projects implemented by NEWAH Effectiveness of hygiene and sanitation awareness activities to achieve behavioral change Analysis of enablers and barriers Success and failure stories
4	Sanitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demand led sanitation marketing Fecal sludge and waste water management Private sector engagement Outcomes of total sanitation activities
5	Remote sensor technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lessons learnt, challenges and replication of sensor technology
6	Climate Change impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysis of the impact of global warming and climate change induced disasters on the functionality and sustainability of water systems

51 Financial Highlights

Figure 1: Trend of income and expenditure over the past three years



NEWAH's income for 2021-22 amounted to NPR 256,278,909.00 (equivalent to USD 2,118,007.51; conversion 1 USD = NPR 121.00), a 28.62% increase over 2020-21 income. The increase occurred due to the budget income received as per the disbursement schedule of charity: water and a few additional short-term assignments. 100% of the total income received in 2021-22 was grant received from charity: water, Global Giving and other short assignments.

Similarly, the total expenditure for the year 2021-22 was NPR 256,278,909.00 (equivalent to USD 2,118,007.51), a 28.62% increase over the 2020-21 expenditure. Of the total expenditure, 82.81% was spent on the program, while 17.19% was spent on administration.

Figure 2: Program vs. administrative expenditure over the past three years

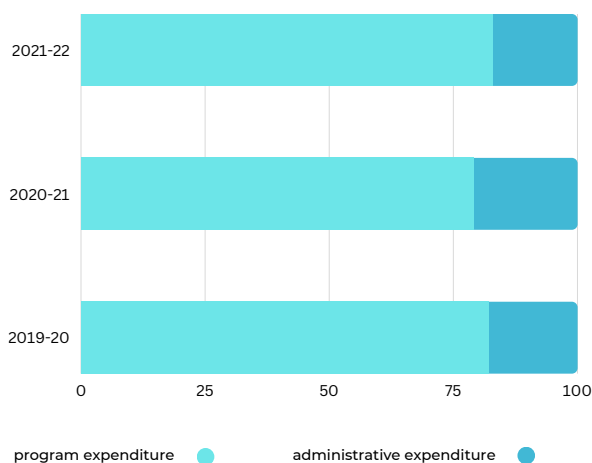
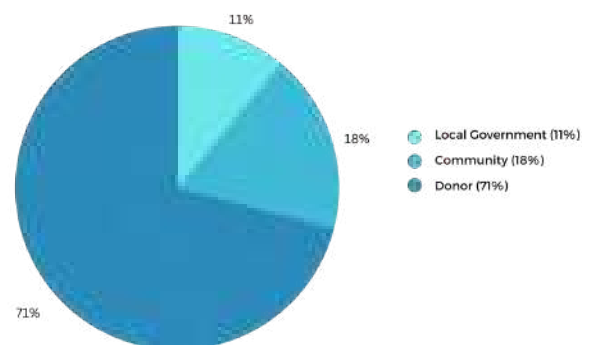


Figure 3: Average Funding sources of NEWAH-implemented projects in 2021-22



Besides donor contributions through NEWAH's funding partners, the projects were also partly financed by cash- and in kind contributions from the communities and contributions from the local governments, who managed their matching fund on their own account.

Challenges

Climate Change Impacts: Climate change impacts are uncertain and unpredictable and many researches have shown that the impact of climate change is even greater in water related sectors. Even though NEWAH is trying its best to address climate change related issues from the very beginning of project planning, over project designing to project implementation, it still has experienced negative climate change impacts in few of its completed projects. Issues like a decrease in water availability at sources, or sometimes the depletion of a source have already been recorded. Similarly, intense rainfalls in some cases have conveyed landslides which damaged the water reservoirs and pipeline systems adding an additional economic burden to WSUCs and NEWAH itself. There are also some cases where these extreme climatic events have even made the entire water system non-functional.

Introducing New Technology: Introducing new technologies undoubtedly has always been challenging. Challenging in terms of its sustainability and functionality and also of availability of skilled manpower to operate, as well as technicians for its regular check-up and maintenance work. NEWAH has introduced the technology of solar water lift pumps and electric water lift pumps to make safe and sustainable drinking water accessible to the communities where gravity flow sources aren't available. For this, there is always a challenge in especially:

- i. **Operation:** There is no certainty that the person trained to operate such projects will continue to work for a longer period of time. The frequent transition of trained manpower is a challenge for the project.
- ii. **Maintenance:** The challenge of availability of technicians near the project sites for regular follow up and maintenance work of such technologies is always there. Finally, the costs of maintenance and operation are always high and the availability of different technical device that need to be changed within the range of the nearby market is always uncertain.

Accessibility and Remoteness: Within remote project sites it has been always difficult to find out and select appropriate vendors who can supply materials needed for the projects. There are always issues of transportation and timely supply that might affect the timely the completion of project activities. Some project sites of the districts of Baglung and Myagdi receive winter snowfall making the project implementation even more challenging.

Sensitive Project Activities and Staff Dedication: Providing safe and quality drinking water to unserved communities is itself a challenging job and needs great commitment and dedication. The work is only possible as a result of NEWAH's staff's dedication towards their responsibilities and the communities' commitment to take the ownership after the completion of the projects .

Project Costs and Number of Beneficiaries: Sometimes communities with a lesser number of beneficiaries are in immediate need of safe drinking water, but the costs of the project exceeds the ratio to the total population benefitted. Both accepting and rejecting such projects can be a challenge for NEWAH. Sometimes it is difficult to find reliable water sources nearby the community which adds to the project cost in terms of per capita and maintenance.

Lessons Learnt

1. It is equally important to mainstream issues related to climate change and DRR along with other cross cutting issues at the time of conducting baseline surveys and designing water related projects and programs to make them more sustainable and climate resilient.
2. Innovative monitoring technologies like Hello Monitoring, NEWAH's toll free number and the sensor monitoring technique have proven to be more effective in making the remote water supply system more functional and sustainable.
3. It is equally important to coordinate with all three tiers of government and other relevant stakeholders and agencies to avoid duplication in works.
4. Well planned is half way done. So proper planning and appropriate communication channels among the project staff can play a major role in the effective implementation of projects.



Annex 1: Executive Board Members (2022-24)



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Chairperson



Ms. Manjuri Singh

Vice-Chairperson



Mr. Bijay Pant

Treasurer



Mr. Madan Krishna Sharma

Member Secretary



Ms. Rekha Tulachan

Member



Ms. Ratna Kumari Shrestha

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Annex 2: Audit Report

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Member on the Financial Statements of Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Nepal Water for Health (hereinafter referred to as NEWAH, or the organization), which comprise the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Income and Expenditure, Statement of Cash Flow and Significant Accounting Policy and Notes to Account for the year ended 16th July 2022 (Ashad 32, 2079).

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at 16th July 2022 (Ashad 32, 2079), and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Nepal Standards on Auditing (NSAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement* section of our report. We are independent of the organization, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters (KAM)

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in the audit of financial statement of current period.

We have concluded that there is not KAM which require to be communicated in the audit report.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern

and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Management are responsible for overseeing the organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with NSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with NSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances on whether the organization has adequate internal financial controls with reference to the financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Organization to cease to continue as a going concern; and



P.R.S. Neupane & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Nepal

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



Gyanendra B. Bhari, FCA

Partner,

B.R.S Neupane & Co.

Place: Naya Basti Marga, Baluwatar,

Date: 2079/06/09

UDIN No: 220925CA00070Hr4SH

Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH)
Kathmandu, Nepal
Statement of Financial Position
As on July 16, 2022 (Ashad 32, 2079)

Particulars	Schedule	NPR	
		FY 2021/22	FY 2020/21
Property, Plant & Equipment (A)	1	19,625,895	12,678,468
Land and Buildings		8,220,227	5,738,568
Capital Assets Grant Fund		11,405,667	6,939,899
Current Assets (B)	2	21,737,518	33,318,666
Cash and Bank Balance		23,961,155	36,707,970
Inventories		5,626,460	11,391,109
Prepayments, loans, Advances & Receivables		863,777	1,591,669
<u>Less: Other Current Liabilities & Provisions</u>		(8,713,874)	(16,372,081)
Current Liabilities		(8,713,874)	(16,372,081)
Total Net Assets (A+B)		41,363,413	45,997,134
Represented by:			
Capital Fund		8,220,227	5,738,568
Capital Asset Fund		11,405,667	6,939,899
Restricted Fund	3	6,120,501	19,489,298
Unrestricted Fund	4	15,617,017	13,829,368
Total Funds		41,363,413	45,997,134

Schedule 1 to 7 form an integral part of this statement.

As per our report of even date
 For and on behalf of

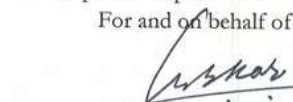


Sajal Shrestha
 Finance Manager





Resham Jung Singh
 Director



CA Gyanendra B. Bhari
 Partner



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 Treasurer



Rekha Tulachan
 Member Secretary



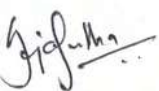
Prof. Kapil Shrestha
 Chairperson


Date: 2079/06/05

Place: Kathmandu, Nepal

Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH)
Statement of Income & Expenditure
For the period July 16, 2021 to July 16, 2022 (Shrawan 01, 2078 to Ashad 32, 2079)

Particulars	Schedule	NPR	
		FY 2021/22	FY 2020/21
Opening Fund Balance			
Income			
Restricted Fund	5	254,191,091	198,717,943
Unrestricted Fund	6	2,087,818	530,317
Total Income		256,278,909	199,248,260
Expenditure			
Restricted Fund		254,191,091	198,717,943
Direct Project Expenditure	5	254,191,091	198,717,943
Unrestricted Fund		2,087,818	530,317
General & Overhead Expenses	6	2,087,818	530,317
Total Expenditure		256,278,909	199,248,260
Surplus/(Deficit)		-	-


Sajal Shrestha
Finance Manager


Resham Jung Singh
Director


As per our report of even date
For and on behalf of



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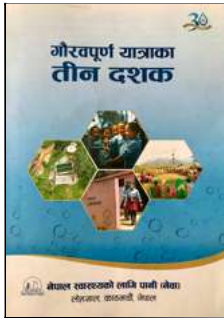

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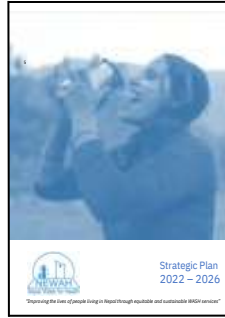
Date: 2079/06/05
Place: Kathmandu, Nepal

Annex 3: Glimpses of Publications Published in 2021/22

All documents are available for review and download on new.org.np under "Publications"



30th Anniversary Souvenir



NEWAH's Strategic Plan 2022 - 2026



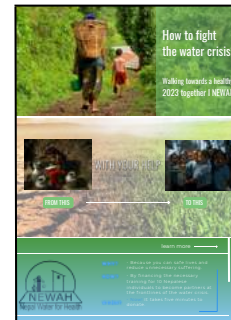
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NEWAH's Roadmap to Impact 2022/23



A Sample of Case Studies



"Spread the Word" Information Sheet (more on page 63)



NEWAH Brochure



To meet our fundraising goals, we have now become a GlobalGiving Partner. If you want to check out our current project showcased on GlobalGiving, click [here](https://linktr.ee/newah_1992).



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Besides, we are regularly sharing our activities and achievements through different social media channels like [facebook](#), [Linkedin](#) and [Instagram](#).



Annex 4: New Partnerships in 2021/22



11 January 2023

Er. Resham Jung Singh
Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH)
Nepal

Via Email

Dear Er. Resham Jung Singh,

On behalf of the Sanitation and Water for All (SWA) global partnership, I am pleased to welcome Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) as a partner.

During the December 2022 Steering Committee Meeting your application to join the partnership was considered and accepted. I look forward to working with you in the future and supporting the relationship of Nepal Water for Health (NEWAH) with us at the Secretariat, the Steering Committee, and other partners.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if there is any further information we can provide.

Yours sincerely,

Catarina de Albuquerque
Chief Executive Officer
Sanitation and Water for All
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Annex 5: Acknowledgement Letters

Charity: water

Resham Jung Singh

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July 14, 2022

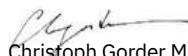
Dear Resham and the entire NEWAH team,

From all of us here at charity: water, we wish to congratulate NEWAH on 30 years of work in Nepal. In this time, you have helped to improve the lives of over 2.2 million people across Nepal. This significant milestone represents NEWAH's long history of dedication to improving water, sanitation and hygiene services.

charity: water is honored to have partnered with NEWAH for the last 12 of these years. Together, we have brought access to WASH services to 265,000 people, and we hope to continuing changing lives together for years to come.

To everyone at NEWAH, past and present, thank you for the important work that you do, and congratulations again on your 30th anniversary!

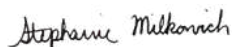
Sincerely,



Christoph Gorder Michelle Jackson Riewer
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Thank you for making the world a better place. Big or small, good deeds breed more good deeds. You are of the beginning of a chain of beautiful actions that improve the world.

- Anastasia D

I want to say I am grateful for your work and time given and invested in water and therefore: freedom!

We are ONE.

Hallel! Thank you for improving the lives of so many people from so many different places

- Mahzen

Thanks for your help bringing water and sanitation to the people of Nepal! I live in Sweden and I have always taken clean, safe, accessible and affordable water for granted, but I know that many people around the world don't have that luxury. I'm glad to be able to help you help to make my reality the reality for those people.

-Sohan N.

Thank you for all you do! It's organizations like yours that truly inspire and make a difference!

- Marsha G

Thanks for the very good work, the world really appreciates it.

-N.A.M

FROM CHARITY: WATER SUPPORTERS ACROSS THE WORLD.

I love the work and dedication you put in for this water charity. Many kids around the world are inspired by your goodness!

-Keriff A.

So amazed of the hard work and dedication you have done! I'm so grateful to hear about your story and how many people you have impacted with clean water!

-Angelina J.

I am overjoyed by your success and wish you all the very best for every future endeavour you aspire to accomplish.

Love,
Ishita

Thank you for giving clean water consistently to others!

-Michelle S.

Thankful for all the effort poured into this project.

-Lug L.

Keep going!

- Isaac

THANK YOU for doing what you do and for providing an avenue for me to give to something I believe in!

-Katharine E.

Thank you for making the world a better place!

-Carol M

Well done for all your amazing hard work!

-Z Hallesue

Clean water is something every human being should have immediate access to whenever they need it. Thank you for your work. You made it possible for a couple in Australia to help a family in Nepal with their drinking water and that's good news all round. Happy Birthday!

-GEM

Happy Birthday NEWAH! Congratulations on 30 years of dedication to bringing clean water to Nepal, so honored to celebrate your hard work! May this be just the beginning of lives, futures, communities, and hearts being changed for the better!

-Ann C.

Thank you for consistently making a great impact on the people who are needed for clean water so far, 30 years are unbelievable! There are no words that can describe but thanks for making this all possible!

-Aniso P

Thank for all your hard work changing the world!

-Srinivas V

Who would've thought that (water) something most of us take for granted every day could bring such joy and even save lives to so many. Congratulations and Happy Birthday!

-Steve C

-Steve C

Thank you NEWAH for all that you have done to bring clean water to so many people for decades!! What an incredible accomplishment!!! Please keep up the good work, and let's all celebrate!!!

Warmest Regards,
Paula C.

Keep up the great work!

-Luis M.

Congratulations on 30 years of amazing work!

-Julie

Happy birthday NEWAH! Your works continue to save lives and help build a better world. Thank you for all the things you've done! Stay water clean and continue to thrive!

-Cary C

CONGRATULATIONS ON 30 YEARS, NEWAH!!

Thank you NEWAH for being the glimmer of hope for millions of people who are starved of the fundamental needs to sustain life. Keep shining brighter and touch more souls. The world needs you!

-Rajiv S.

Congratulations on your success. Thank you for doing a great service for the people of Nepal. Use need more people like you in the world.



Thank you from warm, Mali for your efforts to provide clean water to needed people around the world.

-KEVON B.

Happy birthday NEWAH! Continue to be a great essential to our brothers and sisters around the world. I'm happy to be a part of this project and I will continue to support. God bless you all and keep making a great difference. It truly gives me great pleasure to see us care for one another. NO MAN IS AN ISLAND. BLESSINGS BLESSINGS BLESSINGS.

-KEVON B.

-PRU

All those who changes lives (directly or indirectly) for the better deserve a big credit and a big thumbs up. The work of NEWAH has made a better impact on people in need. I'm proud to write this message, a sincere thank you for NEWAH and those behind it. Keep up the good work.

-PRU

I want you all know that the real change begins inside everyone, and if each one of us keep bringing future through the clean water, we will be always transforming lives. Thank you for all your support. Feel hugged in your effort to make the difference in everyone's lives you've touched with your kindness.

-Grace Kelly



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नेपाल सरकार
Government of Nepal



Hon. Umakant Chaudhary
Minister
Ministry of Water Supply
Singha Durbar, Kathmandu, Nepal



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
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नेवाको ३०औं वार्षिक उत्सवको यस पुनीत अवसरमा नेपालको १५ औं योजनामा उल्लेख भएको र दिगो विकास लक्ष्य नं. ६ ले लिएका लक्ष्यहरू तीनै तहको सरकारसँग सामान्य र सहकार्य गरी हासिल गर्ने कार्यमा सफलता मिलोस् भन्ने शुभकामना सहित हार्दिक बधाई ज्ञापन गर्दछु ।



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नेपालको संविधान धारा ३५(४) मा स्वच्छ खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइमा पहुँचको हक मौलिक हकको रूपमा स्थापित भएको छ । साथै संयुक्त राष्ट्रसंघको महासभाले २८ जुलाई २०१० मा खानेपानी र सरसफाइको हकलाई आधारभूत मानव अधिकारको रूपमा अनुमोदन गरेको छ । दिगो विकासका लक्ष्यहरूमध्ये लक्ष्य ६ मा सन् २०३० सम्ममा सबैका लागि सुरक्षित खानेपानी र सरसफाइको उपलब्धता सुनिश्चित गर्ने लक्ष्य लिएको पाइन्छ । मानव विकास तथा राज्यको समग्र विकासका लागि समेत अटुट रूपमा स्वच्छ खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइ सेवाको आवश्यकता पर्दछ ।

तसर्थ सबैका लागि, सधैंका लागि स्वच्छ खानेपानी र सरसफाइको दिगो उपलब्धताका लागि आयोजनाको दिगोपनामा समेत पर्याप्त ध्यान पुर्याउनु जरुरी हुन्छ । खानेपानी आयोजनाको कुशल व्यवस्थापन, सुशासन, नियमित मर्मत संभार, पानीको गुणस्तर परीक्षण, पानी सुरक्षा योजना, अनुगमन, मूल्याङ्कन, पानीको मुहानको संरक्षणका साथै उपभोक्ताहरूको सरसफाइ आनिबानी सम्बन्धि जनचेतना अभिवृद्धिका लागि समेत अझै धेरै काम गर्नुपर्ने आवश्यकता रहेको छ । सुरक्षित खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइको व्यवस्था गर्नु राज्यको दायित्व हो भने त्यसलाई कुशलतापूर्वक संचालन र व्यवस्थापन गर्नु उपभोक्ताको कर्तव्य हो ।

यसै परिप्रेक्ष्यमा नेपाल स्वास्थ्यका लागि पानी(नेवा) को समेत अग्रसरता, सहभागितामा एवम् योगदानले समग्र राष्ट्रको खानेपानी, सरसफाइ तथा स्वच्छता क्षेत्रमा पछिल्लो समयमा प्राप्त भएका सफलताहरूको फलस्वरूप हामीले आत्मसम्मान तथा स्वास्थ्य क्षेत्रमा समेत उल्लेख्य प्रगति हासिल गरेका छौं । साथसाथै पानीजन्य रोगका कारण संभाव्य ठूलो जनधनको क्षतिबाट जोगिन समेत सफल भएका छौं । यस महासंघको स्थापनाकालदेखि खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइ प्रवर्द्धनमा नेवासंगको सहकार्य अविस्मरणीय छ ।

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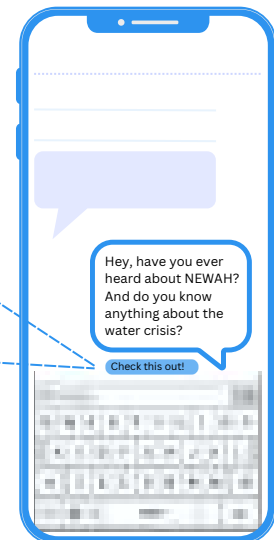
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