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Two Days National Citizen's Conference on Right to Education in Nepal 2018

Loo Niva in joint coordination with different network: CNET, CNT, Consortium, CRC Committee, RTMCC, CZOP, DUCOM, Education watch Group, EJ, EJON, IEFN, MuAN, NACRO, NCFLG Forum, NCPA, NARMIN, SMC federation organized two days national citizen's conference on right to education on 12 to 13 December, 2018. The conference conducted at Nepal Academy, Pragyabhawan, Kathmandu. The program was financially supported by Terre des hommes and World Vision International.



The National Education Conference was action suggested by previous researches and seminars on right to education in Nepal. The study of political interference in school (2013) and National Seminar on National Consensus for Right to Education in Nepal (2014) recommended to have a National Education Conference among stakeholders to discuss and come up with concrete recommendations for reforming education system in Nepal in the

light of State Restructuring context, nationwide democratization and sustaining republic regime and SDGs and Post SSDP scenario. The National Education Conference was a National Civil Society forum designed to have open and independent discussion among education practitioners, activists, academia, beneficiary and people from various sectors and levels.

<i>Thematic area</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>	<i>Responsible Person</i>
1. Right to Education in Nepal from Constitution to School - current concern and opportunities	Chairperson	Mr. Nupur Bhattacharya
	Presenter	Mr. Bimal Phuyal
	Discussant	Hon. Jiwan Ram Shrestha
	Discussant	Dr. Bijay Saiju
2. Curriculum and quality in Education	Chairperson	Mr. Babu Ram Thapa
	Presenter	Mr. Jivan Dhungana
	Discussant	Dr. Suman Kamal Tuladhar
3. Strengthening People's Participation in Education Managing and Monitoring	Chairperson	Mr. Rabin Nepali
	Presenter	Dr. Bidhya Nath Koirala
	Discussant	Hon. Anjana Bisunke
4. Resource Management/ Mobilization in Education	Chairperson	Mr. Krishna Chandra Acharya
	Presenter	Mr. Hari Prasad Lamsal
	Discussant	Dr. Baburam Adhikari

5. Children's Right on Safe and Protective Environment in School	Chairperson	Mr. Madhav Pardhan
	Presenter	Mr. Tarak Dhital
	Discussant	Hon. Man Kumari G.C.
	Discussant	Mrs. Writu Bhatta Rai
6. Transparency, Accountabilities and Neutrality on School Governance	Chairperson	Mr. Krishna Thapa
	Presenter	Dr. Raj Kumar Dhungana
	Discussant	Dr. Prem Narayan Aryal

discussion on the citizen rights and providing citizens recommendations to the Nepal government.



The inaugural ceremony of the conference was chaired by Mr. Krishna Subedi, team member of coordination committee of national conference. The conference commenced with the lighting of lamp by the chief guest - Honorable Shiva Maya Tumbahanfe - Deputy speaker of the House of Representatives.



Mr. Narendra Dangol - convener of education watch and the secretary of organizing committee formally welcomed all the dignitaries present on the dais and participants from various provinces, organizations, education institutions, students, journalist and students. He mentioned about the significance of the program and its objectives.

Mr. Babu Ram Thapa - National Chairperson of confederation of Nepalese Teachers (CNT) described the importance of this conference. He highlights on the main six human rights. He mentioned that it is the right time for having

Mr. Naren Khatiwoda, national coordinator of tenth National Human Right's Magna Meet of Nepal described the situation of education in Nepal. He said education is the basic human right and also described as free up to basic from the national constitution of Nepal. Dr. Suman Kamal Tuladhar asked the question - who should we work for and who are we working for? She raised the curiosity on 55% students who lost while reaching up to their tenth grade. This is the question for country, society and each individual. We do not know what is quality education unless we don't know who they are (school dropout students) and where they are.

Mr. Gauri Pradhan, human right activist noted the encouraging evolution of human rights movement in Nepal. He expressed his thanks to the government, non-government sectors, other civil societies and each individual for their contribution in education movement. The Chief Guest of the inauguration session Honorable Shiva Maya Tumbahanfe - Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives said that this conference is conducted on right time because it is the phase of formulating the new act, rule, policies in every sector. All three level governments are making act, rule, and policies. She expressed her hopes that this program contributes in that process. She requested to the organizer to provide the final conclusion to

the related sectors and could insert all views in the upcoming act, rule and policies.

At the closing ceremony, Mr. Narendra Dangol shared the declaration notes in the program and submitted to the chief guest of the closing ceremony. He requested to all participants for contributing in effective implementing and monitoring the declaration paper in their areas.



Mr. Khagraj Baral, secretary education of MOEST said children's participation is important while talking on their concern topic. He requested all to go from the small unit not straightly from the high level. Most of the schools have no well class room. So, it is affecting in having quality education. He accepted that there are lots of things which need to address for maintain quality in education. He appreciated the conference for providing some constructive recommendation for education policy making.

Chief Guest of the closing ceremony honorable Jaya Puri Gharti - Chair of Education and Health parliamentary Committee expressed her happiness by getting the complementing role from civil society. She said it is required to change and make the practical curriculum what is also recommended from the conference. She committed that she will take the declaration notes as the reference document while revising the education act and policies. Lastly, she voted thank for whole organizer and all participants for organizing the important



program and providing constructive ideas and recommendations in Education.

Annual Review and Planning Workshop 2018

As the fiscal year comes to a close, it's time once again to begin thinking about and working on your annual performance appraisal. With the aim of reflecting and getting feedback on accomplishments, areas to be improved and find out the way forward for the coming year, Loo Niva conducted annual review and planning workshop at Hotel Country Villa, Nagarkot on 23 to 25 December 2018. The workshop was jointly organized with the Patan CBR. All together 46 (M-33, F-13) members participated in the program.

Performance reviews are an essential part of the work experience that give all of us a role in our own job satisfaction and career development also provided the capacity to build upon "Advocacy through Action for Right to Education."

The workshop was facilitated by Mr. Narendra Dangol, Executive Director of Loo Niva and share the objectives of the workshop. During the workshop, the project leaders of ESP, CFE follow up action, AISP and EGRP shared the plan vs performance, plan budget and expenses, achievements, challenges, and learning which were experienced during the

year 2018. It also reviewed on the findings of monitoring and evaluation.

Mr. Gauri Pradhana, prominent social activists and human right defender in Nepal, as well



as chief advisor of Loo Niva, took his session on the concept of Advocacy through Action of Right to Education and Mr. Milan Dharel - external evaluator of Loo Niva gave more input to clear out about advocacy in the workshop. The annual workshop could provide the annual project activities plan for 2019 and also capacitated all the members on advocacy and movement.

Review meeting with stakeholders

Lalitpur, Loo Niva organized a one-day AISP (accountable and inclusive school project) review meeting on December 8 and 9 in the working area of Mahankal and Bagmati Rural Municipality of Lalitpur. The main objectives of the meeting were feedback on accomplishment programs, areas to be improved and find out the way forward for the coming year with the local stakeholders

The programs were facilitated by Mr. Chiree Kaji Dangol senior program officer and program officer Sabina Bhandari. All the participants appreciated the programs implemented by Loo Niva in this year 2018 and also appreciate for conducting the review program with them. They said it should be followed by all organization. The program could collect the

valuable suggestion and recommendation for the coming year as well.

Successfully Conducted Social Audit and Review meeting

Lalitpur, Loo Niva, and Patan CBR jointly organized social audit of AISP 2018. The meeting was successfully conducted on Dec 14, 2018, at Bagaicha Restaurant, Jawalakhel with the presence of 34 head teachers from community schools of southern Lalitpur. The purpose of the meeting was to share about the program implementation and cost expenses status during the year 2018.



Executive Director of Loo Niva Mr. Narendra Dangol highlighted on the overall objectives of the program and well come all the participants. Program coordinator Mr. Krishna Govinda Maharjan and Patan CBR focal person Mr. Ram Kumar Kunwar shared the annual status report of AISP 2018. The program facilitated on the raised queries and comments from the participants and also collected the suggestion and view for coming days.

Educational Materials Distribution

Lalitpur, Loo Niva provided the educational materials to 33 school students of Gimdee, Ashrang and Thuladurlung. The program was designed after analyzing the report of home visit and school visit. It found that many students were in the verge of drop out due to not having education materials. Many parents

only do low paid and seasonal job. That was the main cause behind that problem.



Loo Niva provided exercise copies, pen, school bag, and school uniform to all the students. All 33 students are continuing their study now.

International Children's Day Celebration

Lalitpur, child clubs of Gimdee and Ashrang celebrated the international children's day by organizing series of events. School students were excited to get opportunity to participate and celebrate the children's day.



The child clubs organized Football, Volleyball match, marathon, drawing, poem and hand writing competition. The main purposed of the program was to promote the leadership skills, built confidence and enhance creative writing skills of child club members. The program was organized during the month of October and November 2018.

Fund Raising Program through Futsal Match

Lalitpur, Loo Niva conducts different events for fund raising and the collected fund are spending in the children's education. In this year 2018, Loo Niva conducted Futsal match on 11 October at Goal Post Futsal and training center, Bhaisepati, Lalitpur.



There were all together 30 friends of Loo Niva took participate in the event. It could collect Rs. from the event. It planned to support the needy students of Lalitpur from the collected amount.

So, the event was not only organized for entertain but also help to the needy children said by Mr. Krishna Govinda Maharjan, Program Coordinator of Loo Niva. So, the team members in friends of Loo Niva is increasing. Executive Director of Loo Niva Mr. Narendra Dangol awarded with the token of Love to the winning team of futsal match.

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Support to Child club activities

Lalitpur, Loo Niva support to the school-based child club of Ashrang for organizing different programs during the month of October to November 2018. The child organized the football, volleyball, running competition for both primary and secondary level students.

The main purpose of the event was to enhance the capacity of the students on games, promote their hidden talent and build up their confidence. School teachers and students felt that such extra activities program really motivate the students. They committed to continue the program in the future also.