



# LOO NIVA CHILD CONCERN GROUP

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### Loo Niva Actions for COVID-19 Preventions

CORONA Virus has now spread in many countries and territories. Nepal Government has identified 13,564 cases of COVID-19, 3,194 have been recovered and 29 death as of 30 June 2020. The virus has spread 77 districts of the country so far. In Nepal, a country-wide lockdown came into effect on 24 March 2020, and ended on 14 June 2020. Now, the Government of Nepal has announced an easing to the national wide lockdown. Private vehicle movement is permitted according to the odd-even final digit on license plates matching the final digit of the Nepali calendar date. However, WHO later re-classified Nepal to less at risk from its initial classification as very vulnerable.

Loo Niva has conducted advocacy meetings, awareness raising program and relief support in vulnerable areas and facilitated. Have a look at the actions of Loo Niva..

## Capacity Building to School Teachers on Child Psychology.



The virtual meeting provided the tools and technics on psycho-social counseling and understanding the situations of the children in this pandemic situation. Loo Niva organized the discussion program on child psychology with the teachers of Lalitpur on 21 May 2020. Altogether 28 (10 females and 18 males) focal teachers from public schools took participated in the program. The program was facilitated by Ms. Sunita Shrestha, psycho-social counselor, with more than a decade of experiences in psycho-social counseling.

The main objective of the program was to build the capacity on basic psycho-social support to the school teachers. Working as a teacher has to take into consideration a lot of things like, imparting quality education, creating better and improved methods of communication between teacher and students and understanding the child psychology and ensure the better mental well-being of the child in any situation. During this pandemic situation teacher is also one of the major responsible person who uplift the situation in creative way. So to understand and deal child psychology and share the role of teachers during this pandemic COVID-19 situation Loo Niva conducted this virtual online discussion the Focal teachers of Lalitpur.

### Objective

To build the capacity on basic psycho-social support to the school teachers.



**21 May 2020**



**Lalitpur**



**18 Male**



**10 Female**

## Distribution of Hygiene Materials



Loo Niva has distributed hygiene materials - masks, hand sanitizer and soap in 5 different wards of south Lalitpur. Loo Niva revised the programs by considering the current crisis of COVID-19 after taking approval from funding partners from Finland. The materials were distributed in the wards of Mahankal and Bagmati rural municipalities in close coordination with ward office. Social mobilizers of Loo Niva carried out awareness program in local community along with material distribution program. It helped to aware on the present situation of COVID-19 and its effects and survival technics.

### Reach

1012 people



**Mahankal and Bagmati rural municipalities.**



**Mask**



**Soap**



**Sanitizers**

## Parents awareness through Radio program



Dadeldhura, the country-wide lockdown came into effect on 24 March 2020, and is scheduled to end on 14 June 2020. Increase in the number of RT-PCR positive cases and their profile reflects the high level of testing among recently arrived returnees from India. There are indications of some limited secondary community transmission, but it is not widespread. Loo Niva has given priority on enhancing communication and public awareness about COVID-19 pandemic. In the meantime, through radio program in coordination with Radio Amargadhi and Radio Unity - community radio of Dadeldhura, Loo Niva is active in the community awareness raising.

Radio broadcasts in local languages are among the effective ways in which the Loo Niva is providing whole community of the Dadeldhura District of Nepal.

The World Bank said that COVID-19 pandemic caused more than 1.6 billion children and youth are out of the school in 161 countries. Nepal is one of them that many children are not able to attend the school and forced to stay at home for those reasons many children are suffering from psychological problems, depression, and others.

## Objective

To spread awareness to the parents during this pandemic situation



**Radio Amargadhi and  
Radio Unity -  
community radio of  
Dadeldhura**

## Learning Camp through Radio



COVID-19 affects all of us and in everywhere. Due to this pandemic situation, Nepal government decided to cancelled all the academic examinations and close the schools and colleges. The lack of routine is probably one of the biggest factors affects children. Routines give children structure and a framework they can rely on, which is very important. So, Loo Niva run the learning camp to both secondary and basic level students through community radio.

Loo Niva technically and financially supported to the communities' radios to broadcast the radio classes in coordination with Ajaymeru and Ganyapdhura rural municipalities of Dadeldhura District. The program mainly focused on the English, Mathematics, Science, English and Nepali Grammar. Students got opportunity to learn and solve their academic queries even in the lockdown period. Approximately, 5,000 secondary level student and more than 34000 basic level students of Dadeldhura has been benefited from this program.

## Objective

To engage the student in learning activities, give continuity their learning and keep children in structure routine.



**Dadeldhura district**

## Reach

**5,000 secondary level student and more than 34,000 basic level**

## Interaction with education experts for better options for continuation of children's education.



Most governments around the world have temporarily closed educational institutions in an attempt to contain the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. It impacting almost all students in Nepal as well. Several other countries have implemented localized closures impacting millions of additional learners. Nepal government has also published the directory on alternatives education system and circulated to all local government for effective implementation. Till, date there is no any progress as per expected by directory.

The Virtual discussion program was organized in 12 June 2020 with the presence of 70 private and public school teachers. Dr. Dibya Dawadi, Communication Officer of Ministry of Education, Health and Technology showed the clear way out on alternative system manual that developed by Nepal Government.

The program motivate the teachers on what they can do during the lockdown. Some teachers shared their problem and experience in the program. Moreover, their almost quires were provided clear guidance from the experts in the program. Program Manager of Loo Niva Mr. Sant Ram Dangol gave vote of thank you to all the participants and said Loo Niva is always with teachers and always ready for the sake of children's right to education. He expressed his hopes with teachers that teachers will coordinate with Loo Niva for the practical implementation of the learnings by this program.

"Keep children learning do not lockdown their future"



12 June, 2020

**Reach**

**70 private and public school teachers**



Lalitpur, Godawari, Mahankal Rural and Bagmati rural municipality of Lalitpur, Ajayameru Rural and Ganyapdhura Rural Municipality of Dadeldhura District of Nepal.

**Dr. Bidya Nath Koirala ,  
Educationist, Key  
speaker of the  
program.**

## First Quarterly Meeting



Altogether 12 staffs (3 Female and 9 Male) participated in the meeting. All the participants shared their performance report in the meeting. Mainly, they focused on the activities carried out during first quarter, achievements and learning in the meeting. Monitoring and Financial report and the way forward has been also presented from the monitoring and evaluation team and financial team.

The meeting was considered as the best way of sharing the experiences of each staffs and also guidance for upcoming days. The program provided the plans for next 3 months and also helped to provide the clear working modality during the present pandemic situation due to COVID-19 program.

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## Reach 12 staffs

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9 Male



3 Female

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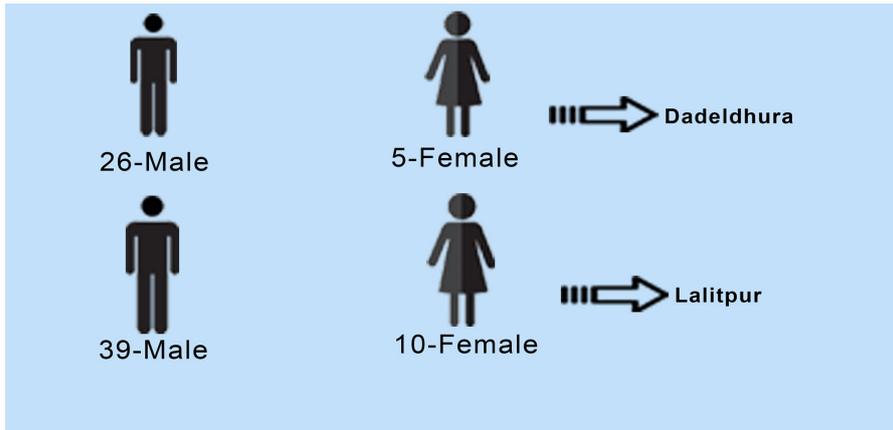


20 April 2020



Via ZOOM App

## Education Discourse on Education Plan and Policies



Loo Niva has conducted Education Discourse on Education Plan and Policies with Bagmati and Mahankal rural municipalities of Lalitpur and Ajaymeru and Ganyapdhura rural municipalities of Dadeldhura district on 22 and 27 May 2020 respectively. The program was conducted with the presence of chairpersons, vice chairpersons, ward chairpersons, chief administrative officers, education officers, representatives from school management committees, parents teachers associations, teachers, civil societies, child club members, media and youth champions. The meeting successes to raise the present issues on educations and have discussion on it possible solutions. The meeting also present education status of respective rural municipalities and discussion on the presented status. The meeting had recommended the rural municipalities to incorporate the raised important education issues in their upcoming plan and policies.

The meeting got success to draft the appeal letter. All the participants were happy to get the commitment from chairpersons of rural municipalities.

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## Reach

### 80 Participants

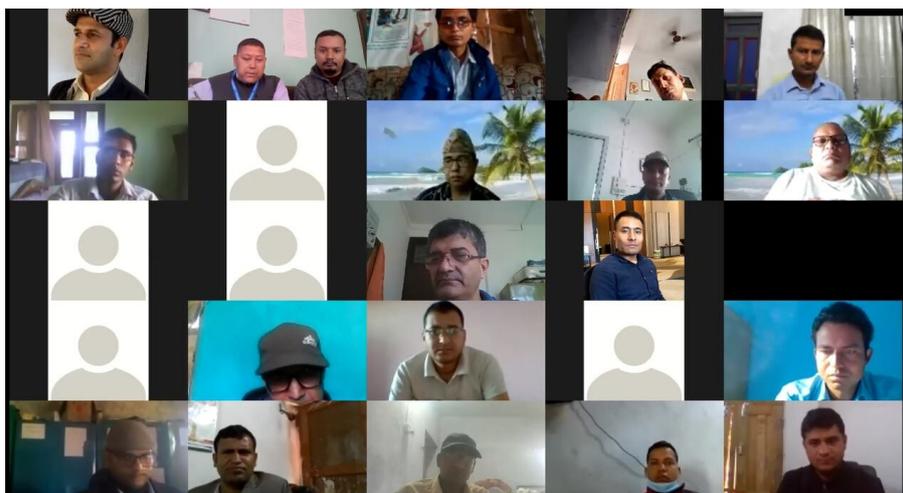
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22 and 27 May  
2020

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## 10 Days Capacity Building Training for Education Officers of Sudoorpaschim Province



The main theme of the training was build the capacity of the education officers (newly selected or old officers) on the newly adapted education plan and policies by Government of Nepal. Besides that, the training has provided information on the act and policies which applies in local level, annual planning process and implementation, local education directory and procedure, accepted program and its process, annual report skill, public procurement arrangement, budget release process, writing skills on minuet and notes writing and technical skills on IEMIS.

Dr. Hari Prashad Lamsal, Secretary of Ministry of Social Development, Sudoorpaschim Province emphasized the important of training and also gave vote of thanks to Loo Niva for its technical support. At the closing ceremony, the Executive Director of Loo Niva, Mr. Narendra Dangol gave vote of thanks to Ministry of Social Development for believing and choosing Loo Niva for cooperation.

Mr. Jhankar Bahadur Bista, Joint Secretary of Ministry of Social Development - Sudoorpaschim Province formally concluded the 10 days training by expressing his appreciation to the strong commitment of all participants' officers, their presence at the training and shows strong commitment for development of education.



16 -25 May 2020



Dhangadi,  
Sudoorpaschim  
Province

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. It's the pleasure moment of Loo Niva – opportunity to invest the budget for developing the capacity of the government officer. We hope it would be the significant event for enhancing the professional skills with all the officers.

Loo Niva hopes for the quality deliver in the field by all participants and well coordinate with civil society in coming days.”

**Mr. Narendra Dangol**  
**Executive Director, Loo**  
**Niva,**

“I wanted to focus on skill development and discussion today – because it holds great achievement for policy and practice, for how we bring quality performance and governance – training made today to ensure officers skillful and quality deliver in their respective offices.”

**Dr. Hari Prashad Lamsal**

## Youth Champion Meeting



Dadeldhura, Loo Niva has conducted youth champion meeting in Dadeldhura on 26 May 2020. In total 11 youth (6 female and 5 male) champions participated in meeting. The meeting focused on reviewing the actions carried out in the year 2019 and possible actions which can be carry out during covid-19 period. The meeting got success to prepared individual action plan of all youth champions. All the plans are focused on awareness raising which targets to the parents and creating learning process to the children on COVID-19 situation.



26 May 2020.



Dadeldhura



5 Male



6 Female

## Publication of Loo Niva

Loo Niva has produced various publications to promote and ensure right to education.

