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Loo Niva Child Concern Group

ABBREVIATIONS

CBR:	Community Based Rehabilitation
CoC:	Code of Conduct
CRC:	Convention on the Rights of the Child
CRIN:	Child Right International Network
CSOs:	Civil Society Organizations
CwDs:	Children with Disabilities
CZOP:	Children as Zone of Peace
DUCOM:	Destination Unknown Children on the Move
ESP:	Education Support Program
EWG:	Education Watch Group
GNB:	Girls Not Bride
IPP:	Immediate Past President
LAMC:	Local Advocacy and Monitoring Committee
NACG:	National Action and Coordinating Group
NCE:	National Campaign for Education
NCFLG:	National Child-Friendly Local Government
NCPA:	National Child Protection Alliance
NCRC:	National Child Right Council
NFN:	NGO Federation of Nepal
NGOS:	Non-Government Organizations
NPR:	Nepalese Rupee
PREP:	Promoting Right to Education and Protection
RM:	Rural Municipality
SEEN:	Strengthening Education Policies and Ensuring Right to Education
SPCSN:	Social Protection Civil Society Network
UN:	United Nation
Y/GSP:	Youth/Girls Scholarship Program



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Joint Message from the Chairperson & Executive Director

We are excited to share this joint message through Loo Niva's Annual Report for 2022, showcasing our achievements and progress. With the help of our partners, dedicated team, and collaborative efforts, we have made a real difference in bringing positive change, promoting active participation and engagement, and moving closer to our goals. This year was a special one for Loo Niva as we collaborated with different CSOs, networks, and well-wishers to create a meaningful impact on the children, schools, and communities we serve.

Loo Niva, a youth-led NGO, has a special focus on the Right to Education, Children's Participation, and Protection. Throughout our journey, we have formed strong partnerships and collaborations that have had a lasting and positive impact,

especially in the field of education. Our major projects have achieved notable achievements, and we continue to actively seek fresh opportunities to promote child rights and ensure quality education. Loo Niva acknowledges the importance of addressing prevailing challenges by creating better opportunities, increasing accessibility, and enhancing the quality of education for children and youth. Through our journey, we have gained valuable insights, and one crucial lesson is the significance of acting with integrity and upholding our organizational values, prioritizing children, and adopting a long-term perspective not only help us navigate uncertain and challenging situations but also to empower us to flourish. These guiding principles have been instrumental in our success and have shaped our approach to serving the community.

In the year 2022, we celebrated a remarkable milestone - 25th years of unwavering dedication and Journey of Child Rights campaign, with a special focus on children, leaving a lasting impact through compassion, empowerment, and positive change. This milestone was marked by various interventions that brought together our supporters, beneficiaries, and well-wishers. The Silver Jubilee celebration served as a testament to our collective efforts and achievements over the past 25 years. Together, we have transformed lives and built a legacy that fills us with immense pride. As we move forward, we renew our commitment to serve with passion, innovation, and resilience. We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to all for unwavering support throughout our 25-year journey.

We express our heartfelt appreciation to the members of our board and senior management team (SMT) for their valuable contributions, expertise, and knowledge. Their guidance and leadership have been instrumental in for organizational success. We sincerely thank our esteemed partners who have joined hands with us along this transformative path, including INTERPEDIA Finland, Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA) Finland, Development and Culture Association Aurora Borealis, Finland,

Ms. Rupa Munakarmi

Chairperson

Government authorities, CSOs, community stakeholders, Corporate Partners, Networks, Individual Sponsors, youth volunteers, and well-wishers. Your unwavering support and trust have been the foundation of our enduring relationships. We are fortunate to collaborate with individuals and organizations with exceptional skills, dedication, passion, and forward thinking. Your unwavering commitment has played a pivotal role in our achievements. Together, we have profoundly impacted the lives of children and youth, empowering them to overcome challenges and reach their full potential.

None of this would have been possible without the dedication and passion of our networks and youth volunteers. Your invaluable contributions have been the driving force behind our success, and we extend our deepest appreciation to each and every one of you.

As we embark on the next chapter of our organization, we remain committed to our vision of building a better future for the children of our society. With your continued partnership and support, we are confident in our ability to make a lasting impact and create a brighter tomorrow.

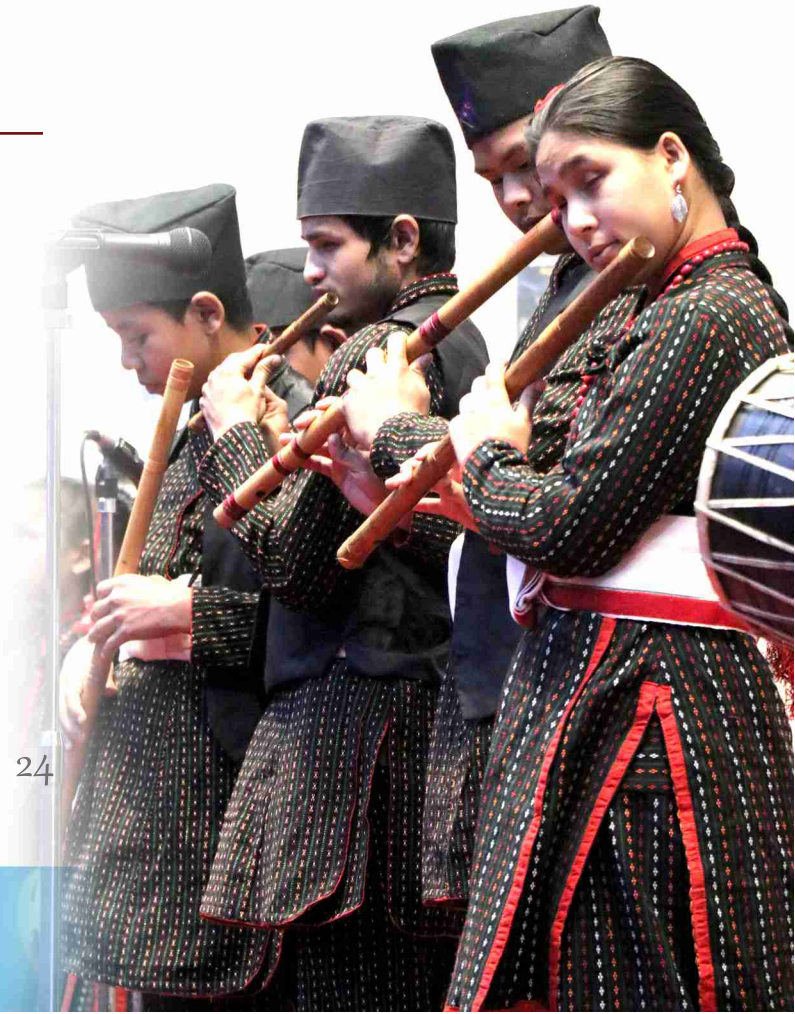
With heartfelt appreciation,

Mr. Narendra Dangol

Executive Director

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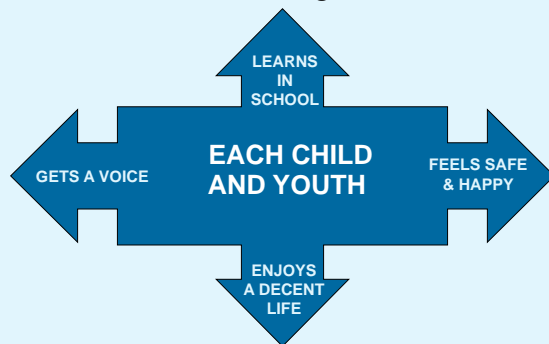
HOW WE WORK

We have a vision of Prosperous Nepal where every child and youth enjoys her/his rights in a safe, supportive and enabling environment and culture.

Our mission is to empower and partner with children, youths and community at large for better health, education, protection and participation opportunities that leads towards a dignified life and livelihood in an inclusive, peaceful and democratic society

We Pursue this mission by achieving complementary goal:

To increase voices and choices of rights holders (mainly young people, girls and disadvantaged peoples and communities) for accessing to government basic services and entitlements including their meaningful participation in local institutions and structures (decision making bodies).



We achieve this goal through four complementary strategies:

1. Empower individuals and community for informed claiming of rights and access to services from state mechanism;
2. Collaborate with the state actors and civil society organizations to be responsive for efficient and effective delivery of duty and services to ensure that rights are respected, protected and fulfilled.
3. Strengthen networking, partnership and mobilization of civil society and political action for human rights protection and promotion at local, national, and international levels; and
4. Ensure better assistance to the vulnerable, victims and survivors with protection and support provision in need.

OUR RECORD OF IMPACT IN 2022

In 2022, working in close partnership with local governments, CSOs, our networks and development partners, we are succeeded to reach following stakeholders with specific purpose;

- ▶ 6,568 children, Teacher, Parents and CSOs members were benefited by Loo Niva through its various projects and services throughout the year 2022.
- ▶ 3,709 children were benefited through the Child Club activities support and educational support.
- ▶ 6, 00 teachers were benefited through teacher training and meetings.
- ▶ 9, 07 parents were benefited from the community awareness meeting on Right to Education.
- ▶ 6, 16 civil society activists were benefited through the training and seminars.
- ▶ 2, 20 Government officers were benefited through the learning visit, advocacy campaign and seminars.
- ▶ 2, 37 local leaders were benefited through the learning visit, advocacy campaign and seminars.
- ▶ 1, 26 SMC/PTA members were benefited through the learning visit and awareness campaign.
- ▶ 1, 53 others were benefited through the various activities of Loo Niva.





Celebrating 25th Years of Journey in Child Rights Movement: From Child Club to National Campaign



Loo Niva celebrated its 25 years Anniversary (Silver jubilee) in 2022 with various programs, starting from the children's club and reaching the leadership level of the national campaign. On 17 December 2022, the major event was celebrated at the City Hall in Kathmandu.

In 1994, a group of young school-going students and Child Club Members ran the children's Library in Khokana. A children's club formed to raise awareness of education in Khokana is now dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights and rights of the backward and vulnerable children of the country. Loo Niva emerged as a social organization and promotion of child rights in Nepal. Loo Niva was established in 1997 as a non - governmental organization for Children's holistic development. It is promoting economic and social justice, human rights and democracy, human dignity and gender equality, peace and non-violence, creativity and innovation, and equitable development as its core values for excellence in society. It

is committed to building an optimal and healthy society for children and youths. Loo Niva has just crossed its 25 remarkable years in the field of child rights campaigns. On the occasion of its silver jubilee, various programs have been carried out as follows:



- ▶ For the first time in Nepal, it has conducted National interaction on child rights among human rights workers, representatives of civil society, school teachers, and children sat together and conducted a civil dialogue on children's issues, which is historic in itself.
- ▶ A blood donation program has also been completed in collaboration with the Nepal Red Cross Society, Khokana chapter, and Youth Red Cross Circle.
- ▶ In collaboration with Godawari Municipality, Lalitpur, Mahankal rural municipality, and Konjyosom rural municipality of Lalitpur district, a municipal-level essay writing competition was also conducted with the aim of encouraging children to explore extra subjects and help them to get involved with that subject.
- ▶ In collaboration with ward number 18, 21, 22 and 25 of Lalitpur Metropolitan City, a drawing competition program was also conducted.



Features of the program:

i) Celebration with the Founder to Well-wishers

The silver jubilee has been celebrated with all the founders and well-wishers. They participated in various activities of the silver jubilee until the closing ceremony. Loo Niva distributed appreciation to the founders, board members, advisors, and all the well-wishers who contributed to establishing Loo Niva in the program. All the founder members were happy to be honored.

ii) Spaces for Showing the Creative Performance

The silver jubilee of Loo Niva gave the platform to perform the children's talent and creativity. In Collaboration with Godawary Municipality of Lalitpur district, Mahankal rural municipality, and Konjyosom rural municipality of Lalitpur district, a municipal-level essay competition was conducted with the aim of encouraging children to explore extra subjects and help them to get involved with that subject. Students who are successful in the competition have been awarded first, second, third, and consolation prizes.

Likewise, in collaboration with ward number 18, 21, 22 and 25 of Lalitpur Metropolitan City, it was also conducted a drawing competition program.

The children were overjoyed to perform at the closing ceremony of the silver jubilee. The closing program was celebrated with cultural dance, children's songs, and performances by children with disabilities in the presence of the chief guest honorable Ganesh Prasad Timalsina, President of the National Assembly. Children performed cultural dances and various songs. Loo Niva has encouraged all the children who performed in the program by providing gifts.

iii) National Interaction Program

For the first time in Nepal, human rights workers, representatives of civil society, school teachers, and children sat together and conducted a civil dialogue on children's issues, which is historic in itself. More than 100 child rights activists participated in the program. The program was chaired by the chairperson of Loo Niva Ms. Rupa Munakarmi and the guest was a pioneer of child right in Nepal and Human rights activist as well as advisor of Loo Niva Mr. Gauri Pradhan, Honorable Tosima Karki, Bagmati province parliamentarian, Bagmati Province Assemble member Mr. Prem Bhakta Maharjan, chairperson of NGO federation Mr Ram Subedi, chairperson of Human rights alliance Mr. Min Bahadur

Timalsina, Chairperson of Nepal Red Cross Society Mr. Netra Timalsina, chairperson of Nepal Bal Sangathan Mrs. Bidhya Neupane and chairperson of NACG Mrs. Benu Maya Gurung.

iv) Social Service Program

Loo Niva organized a blood donation program on December 3, 2022, in Khokana, Lalitpur, commemorating the 31st International Day of Persons with Disabilities and the Silver Jubilee of Loo Niva. The program received support from the Nepal Red Cross Society, Khokana subchapter, Youth Red Cross circle, Khokana chapter, Sunrise Bank, and the Khokana Ward Office, with 63 individuals donating blood.



v) 25 Achievements of Loo Niva in 25 years

Mr. Narendra Dangol, the Executive Director of Loo Niva, led the program, sharing the accomplishments of the organization over its 25-year history and outlining its future goals and direction.

25 achievements of Loo Niva in 25 years

1. Establishment and Identification
2. Children's club to national campaigns
3. Community mobilization and empowerment
4. Scope expansion
5. Broadening the subject area
6. Networking and engagement
7. Study Report and Survey
8. Publication of source materials
9. International participation and learning
10. Respect and appreciation for the work of Loo Niva
11. Volunteer mobilization and learning
12. Institutional development
13. Educational Assistance and Scholarships
14. Credibility towards the campaign of Loo Niva
15. Achieving Success in partnership
16. Skilled and dedicated team
17. Expert and support team
18. Social change
19. Successful in continuing the campaign
20. Policy advocacy
21. Good governance
22. Resource mobilization
23. Conducting education rights monitoring campaign
24. Success in organizational sustainability
25. Campaign to free unwanted political interference in schools successful



Loo Niva in the future

- ▶ Coordination, cooperation, and service delivery with local, provincial, and federal governments for policy reform and new policy.
- ▶ Since it is an organization that has grown from child participation and child leadership, child participation, child protection, and overall child rights will be given top priority.
- ▶ More programs will be decided on subjects such as providing access to education to children who are at high risk, education governance, and promotion of safe schools.
- ▶ Maximum efforts will be made to mainstream the education and participation opportunities of children with disabilities.
- ▶ Cooperation with children, families, society, local organizations and government agencies will be prioritized to make the upcoming campaign of Loo Niva effective.
- ▶ The goal of institutional and programmatic sustainability will be adopted.

vi) Remarks from Guests in the closing ceremony:

The campaign for child rights in Nepal has come from a dormant state to an active state. Children should also be given equal attention when we are now embarking on a campaign to make the country prosperous. If the state is to be successful, it needs to invest in children.

Gauri Pradhan: pioneer of child rights in Nepal and Human Right Activist.

The state is fully responsible for the protection and promotion of the rights of the children as the children of today are the future of the country. Everyone should be responsible for the fact that all kinds of children are still not able to get their rights. I am ready to play a role in formulating the necessary laws to protect children's rights.

Chief guest: Honorable **Ganesh Prasad Timal**sina,
President of the National Assembly.

vii) Personalities honored in the program

Name	Designation	Name	Designation
Mr. Gauri Pradhan	Advisor	Ms. Yog Maya Maharjan	Founder member
Mr. Madan Krishna Dangol	Advisor	Mr. Yogendra Shrestha	Founder member
Mr. Sowyamvu Raj Dangol	Advisor	Ms. Suryabati Dangol	Founder member
Mr. Babu Ram Sing Thapa	Advisor	Mr. Gyan Bhakta Maharjan	Founder member
Dr. Suman Kamal Tuladhar	Advisor	Mr. Bishnu Bhakta Maharjan	Founder member
Mr. Rajendra Tuladhar	Advisor	Mr. Gyan Bhakta Maharjan	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Narendra Dangol	Founder Chairperson	Mr. Chiree Kaji Dangol	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Babu Ram Dangol	Founder Vice-chairperson	Ms. Sabina Bhandari	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Krishna Govinda Maharjan	Founder Secretary	Mr. Nabin Dangol	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Prem Nath Maharjan	Founder Treasurer	Mr. Binod Shrestha	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Sant Ram Dangol	Founder member	Mr. Basudev Bhatta	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Bekha Ratna Dangol	Founder member	Mr. Khemraj Pandeya	Staff worked for 10yrs
Mr. Buddhi Ratna Dangol	Founder member	Mr. Ishwor Dangol	Founding Associate
Mr. Hera Krishna Maharjan	Founder member	Mr. Bishnu Gopal Dangol	Founding Associate
Ms. Amala Tuladhar	Founder member	Mr. Gyanendra Maharjan	Founding Associate
Ms. Indu Dangol	Founder member	Mr. Late Mr. Dilli Bdr. Dangol	Founding Associate
Mr. Shyam Hari Maharjan	Founder member		

LOO NIVA PROGRAMS 2022

RIGHT TO EDUCATION

Loo Niva is a specialized agency with expertise in Right to Education. Loo Niva believes that every child has the right to free, compulsory, and quality basic education and works to ensure young people's access to quality basic services, particularly in education. Loo Niva also strive to make the governance of education systems more inclusive, responsive to rights, and functional to deliver quality educational services with a rights-based perspective.

To ensure right to education, Loo Niva has carried out the following interventions through its different projects:

Promoting Right to Education and Protection of the Most Vulnerable Children (PREP)

The PREP aims to promote right to education and protection for vulnerable children in two rural municipalities in southern region of Lalitpur District. It identified 87 children with disabilities in Mahankal and Konjyosom Rural Municipalities, with 40 currently enrolled in school. The project facilitated the enrollment of four additional children with disabilities. The project conducted

home visits, provided physiotherapy support, and trained teachers, resulting in positive attitudes towards children with disabilities and Dalit children.

Similarly, it provided education emergency fund counseling, home visits, and physiotherapy to several schools. The project supported seven schools through the Education Emergency Fund. All 39 public schools in the project area have included disability issues in their code of conduct and improvement plan, making them safe, supportive, accessible, and inclusive for all children, including girls, Dalits, and children with disabilities. These efforts have promoted an inclusive learning environment, ensuring that all children have equal access to education and opportunities for growth and development.

Correspondingly, through the PREP project, LAMC trained 37 members on child rights, protection, disability, gender, and inclusive education to advocate and monitor child protection and education initiatives. LAMC's advocacy resulted in NPR 30000 allocation for people with disabilities and annual budget allocation for Child Club activities from Local government.

Strengthening Education Policies and Ensuring Right to Education in Nepal (SEEN)

Loo Niva has implemented SEEN project in Sudurpaschim Province and two rural municipalities in Dadeldhura prioritizes the needs and rights of children in education through the implementation of child-centered and rights-based policies and programs. These initiatives aim to improve the quality of education and address the specific needs of marginalized and vulnerable children. As of now, Sudurpaschim Province has no education policy in place, although a 10-year Education plan has been drafted. However, due to the completion of the tenure of the province assembly members, there has been no endorsement yet. The two project rural municipalities i.e. Ajaymeru and Ganyapdhura, have achieved significant progress in education development. Both rural municipalities have already formulated their education policy in 2019, and this year they have reviewed and revised their policies to include more child-centered elements.

Moreover, the budget share for education development has increased in the provincial government and both project rural municipalities. Both rural municipalities have organized a one-day review workshop with the province

ministry, assembly members, and CSOs working in the area. The participants presented the province's education status and the necessary interventions required before the province level budget planning. The budget share for education development has increased and reached 11.02% by the provincial government, while the project Rural Municipalities of Ajaymeru and Ganyapdhura have budget shares of 6.28% and 5.31%, which was 2.11% and 1% respectively in baseline survey.



Education Support Program (ESP):

Loo Niva's ESP program for 2022 has successfully enrolled 22 new students, including 6 males and 16 females, with a focus on gender balance, caste and ethnicity diversity, children with disabilities, and academic and family status. The selection process involved rigorous measures such as collecting recommendation letters, conducting home visits, and gathering academic and family status reports. Loo Niva's commitment to promoting education for underprivileged children and inclusivity in education is reflected in this achievement.

Similarly, Loo Niva has been actively supporting underprivileged students by taking various steps to promote education. In the year 2022, the organization provided educational materials such as exercise books, school bags, exercise copies, pens, calculators, and atlas books to 120 sponsored students based on their individual needs. Loo Niva also organized an Annual Gathering Program where these materials were distributed in the presence of parents. Additionally, Loo Niva has provided admission fee support to 6 college-level students (1 male and 5 female) and 74 school-level sponsored students (22 male and 52 female). These efforts are part of the regular operations of the ESP program, which aims to provide underprivileged students with access to education and improve their chances of a better future. Loo Niva's commitment to supporting underprivileged students is commendable and will have a positive impact on the lives of these students.



Small Act, Big Impact

Sajan, a 17-year-old boy from Nepal, was at high risk of dropping out of school due to exam failure and his parents' lack of interest in his education. After Sajan's exam failure in grade 7, he considered dropping out of school, as his parents were not interested in his education due to their unawareness of its importance. Most parents in the countryside are not aware on the importance of education. This is one of the reasons behind dropping out of school by the children in Nepal.

Loo Niva, provided him with counseling and advised him to change schools. With this small support, Sajan was able to continue his studies and pursue his dream of becoming a bank employee. This case study highlights the importance of providing even simple advice and support to encourage children to continue their education.

Rekindling Dreams via the ESP Program

Bhimu, a 19-year-old girl with a physical disability, had to drop out of school due to an economic crisis caused by the pandemic. However, Loo Niva's Educational Support Program provided her with financial aid and psycho-social counseling, which motivated her to continue her studies. Bhimu achieved a GPA of 3.20 on her Basic Level Examination, which has rekindled her dream of pursuing further education despite the challenges she faced.

Youth/Girls Scholarship Program (Y/GSP)

Loo Niva has been starting the Youth/Girl Sponsorship Program since 2016 to support Nepalese youth specially girls those who are in the risk to drop their study after grade 12 due to different reasons. This program not only intends to continue their study but also help them to develop life skills for their living. It has also increased the number of sponsorship and reached to 15 sponsored youth students (3 youth sponsored have already graduated their master's degree and phase out from the program).



CHILD PROTECTION

The organization provides protection and support to vulnerable children and survivors of abuse, neglect, exploitation, and violence. The organization offers critical services during emergencies and disaster relief efforts, with a focus on the most vulnerable children while prioritizing the safety and well-being of all children. Loo Niva has prioritized building and strengthening local and national child protection systems across various projects. Child Protection is also one of the major themes in Loo Niva's working area. To ensure the child protection, Loo Niva has carried out following interventions and achieved the achievements during 2022.

- ▶ The PREP project has made progress in ensuring that project municipalities and the provincial government adopt and implement disability-inclusive education and child protection policies.
- ▶ 28 elected members of local assembly members and 10 provincial assembly members in South Lalitpur were trained on child protection and inclusive education which will greatly benefit those with disabilities in the area. The participants expressed happiness in gaining knowledge and motivation for formulating child protection and education policies,

- ▶ especially since many of them were newly elected. Loo Niva has conducted series of lobby and advocacy meeting with Rural Municipalities. After the meetings, Mahankal Rural Municipality has reviewed its own existing education policy with new elected representatives, and has allocated budget for child protection through programs against child marriage, Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR), and declaration the municipality as a child-friendly municipality.
- ▶ Konjyosom RM has formulated and endorsed an education act that includes inclusive education and is in the process of drafting a child rights policy. Overall, the project has made significant strides towards promoting child rights and protection in the region.
- ▶ The Loo Niva program is successful to establish a disability help desk in both project Rural Municipalities and organized public hearings on child protection and inclusive education. The public hearing meetings had active participation from stakeholders and valuable discussions were held, highlighting the project's commitment to promoting child protection, inclusive education, and accessibility in rural communities. These efforts will continue to bring positive changes in the lives of community members.

- ▶ The SEEN project has made a significant impact in promoting education and child rights through advocacy and improving attendance and dropout rates among students in project municipalities.



"The Importance of Emergency Aid and Education Support: A Case Study of Bindu and Loo Niva"

Bindu, a 12-year-old girl, returned to school after receiving treatment for typhoid and urine infections. Her family faced financial difficulties as her father was disabled and her mother worked as a daily wage laborer. They could not give proper treatment and seek help from neighbors but could not get enough support. Loo Niva has provided education support and emergency aid during Bindu's illness, ensuring continuity of her education. Her mother expressed her gratitude for the organization's timely help, which brought hope back into their lives. This case highlights the importance of organizations like Loo Niva, which not only provide education support but also extend their help during emergencies, making a significant difference in the lives of children and families in need.

CHILD PARTICIPATION

Loo Niva is dedicated to empowering individuals and communities to make informed claims on their rights and access services from state mechanisms. Through its various initiatives and programs, Loo Niva strives to create an environment where individuals and communities are empowered to take charge of their own lives and work together to build a better future. Various activities are organized through its project with education stakeholders to ensure meaningful participation of children in the process.

- ▶ In 2022, Loo Niva has supported to form and reform 94 child clubs in public schools of South Lalitpur and Dadeldhura with 61.53% led by girls, 3.84% led by Dalits.
- ▶ Supported to 94 Child Clubs for making active them on different types of Child-led advocacy interventions in their own localities and schools.
- ▶ Different capacity building empowerment to child club members has been organized among child club members. In total 27 child club members has been capacitated from Dadeldhura district.

Preventing Child Marriage: The Role of Community-Based Organizations

Lalita, a 16-year-old girl from a poor family, was at risk of being married off due to her family's financial difficulties. Sitaram Child Club intervened and organized an awareness program to educate Lalita and her family about the negative effects of child marriage. After visiting Lalita and convincing her and her parents, they successfully prevented her from getting married. This case study highlights the important role of community-based organizations in preventing child marriage and protecting children's rights.



ADVOCACY, CAMPAIGN AND NETWORKING

Since the beginning of Loo Niva, it is actively involving in policy advocacy, lobbying and campaigning on Child Rights issues at local, provincial, national and international levels in collaboration with several like-minded civil society networks and alliances. At the national level, Loo Niva is engaged on the issues of rights of the Child, human rights, girl's rights, Child Protection, Child Participation, Right to Education and Social Protection through different national networks. Loo Niva's network and collaboration has increased at national level more with building advocacy, campaign and movement for Right to Education and Children's protection and participation through different national level networks.

NGO Federation of Nepal (NFN)



It is an umbrella organization or national platform of 6717 NGOs working in various fields of social welfare and development in Nepal. Established in 1991 for the promotion

and protection of social justice, human rights, civic space and pro-poor development, NFN has evolved as a leading organization working for the entire NGO movement in Nepal. It is actively working to unite, organize, capacitate and mobilize civil society aiming to create a peaceful, democratic and just Nepal. Currently Loo Niva is holding leading position (President) in NGO Federation, Lalitpur district.



List of National and International Networks/Alliances/initiative

S. N	Name of Network/Coalition	Position hold
1	NGO Federation of Nepal, Lalitpur	President
2	Children as Zone of Peace National Campaign (CZOP)	Immediate Past President (IPP)
3	Education Watch Group (EWG)	National Convener
4	CONSORTIUM Organization Working for Child Participation	Past President
5	National Child Protection Alliance (NCPA)	General Secretary
6	National Campaign for Education (NCE)	Executive Member
7	Destination Unknown Children on the Move (DUCOM) Campaign Nepal	Member
8	Social Protection Civil Society Network (SPCSN)	Executive Member
9	National Child-Friendly Local Government Forum (NCFLG Forum)	Member
10	National Coalition for Girls Rights	Member
11	Child Rights International Network (CRIN)	International Member
12	Girls Not Brides (GNB)	Global and National Member

In 2022, Loo Niva has collaborated with different types of Advocacy interventions with different CSO Networks. CSOs in Sudurpaschim Province are working collaboratively with provincial and local governments through advocacy and partnership initiatives to ensure right to education. They played an active role in the UNCRC periodic report consultation with 54 organizations at the provincial level and 25 organizations at the district level. CSOs also engaged in two advocacy actions at the local and provincial levels, highlighting their commitment to promoting education in the region. Additionally, CSOs have jointly invested almost NPR 80 million in initiatives aimed at strengthening education in the province. These efforts demonstrate the commitment of CSOs to improving education and promoting child rights in the region. Mostly, Loo Niva has initiated National and Provincial advocacy event in collaboration with Education Watch Group.

In Sudurpaschim province, four CSOs, along with 17 national networks on education and child rights, showed solidarity in discussions on the Code of Conduct (CoC) during provincial and federal level elections. Their goal was to discourage political parties from using children in the election process and to ensure relevant issues were included in their election manifestos. At the provincial level, discussions were held to promote awareness of civic space and consultations on education to prepare the periodic report for submission to the UNCRC committee.

RESEARCH STUDY, INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION

Loo Niva is continuously engaging in the field of Research study and communicated/disseminated widely its initiatives and different interventions carried out during the year through the Loo Niva e-newsletter among its stakeholders and partners

On the occasion of 25th Years Anniversary of Loo Niva, it has published the History book titled "Loo Niva's 25th Years of Journey from Child Club to National Campaign". The Annual Report 2021 was the major publication to disseminate its information about interventions carried out during the year 2021. The two issues of Children Magazine called BAAL UDDHYAN have been published to serves as a creative platform for Children and young adolescents with news, useful information, opinions, and their creative writings. Also published and disseminated the policy advocacy flyer for inclusive and protective school education 500 copies of each issue were published and distributed to the different public schools in its program areas.

Similarly, Loo Niva has been monitoring daily media on education news as one of the core activity for the advocacy of the right to education since 2013. The study report of this monitoring was published and disseminated widely as

a means of advocacy tools for Right to Education. Education Watch Report 2022 has been published in collaboration with Education Watch Group, Nepal with the aim to present the discrimination situations faced by the child with disabilities, Dalit and girl children on accessing education in Nepal.



LOO NIVA GOVERNANCE, MANAGEMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING

FINANCE AND ADMINS

Loo Niva's financial management department is primarily responsible for financial planning, accounting, cost, asset and liability management. In addition, the department finances investments, analyzes cash flows, and prepares program budgets and financial frameworks. This department is responsible for grants, property, provident funds, employee gratuity, salaries and taxes. Through this division, Loo Niva ensures effective financial management of projects and companies and transparency of financial data, earning the trust of everyone we work with

In 2022, Loo Niva prepared his \$213,892 budget for Loo Niva's program and maintained tight control over the budget. Loo Niva also prepared and submitted timely reports to development partners, authorities and other stakeholders.

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

In 2022, Loo Niva team members participate in various types of Capacity development activities, trainings, workshops and seminars throughout the year. The team has also received orientation assistance and a detailed implementation guide for the project, including Loo Niva guidelines, an internal operation calendar and an annual plan developed and agreed among team members. Assignment of responsibilities was agreed upon by all employees through monthly meetings, quarterly, semi-annual and annual reviews followed by capacity development component. Experts were hired to moderate the various sessions. The presence of board members at the semi-annual and annual reviews brought everyone together and the much-needed team spirit to achieve the organization's vision and purpose. Senior team members were also responsible for facilitating sessions on various organizational development topics during the meetings. In 2022, Loo Niva conducted various development training/workshops for all Loo Niva staff. The 2022 annual planning session included advocacy and campaign staff capacity building, including program planning.

LOO NIVA ACHIEVEMENTS AND LEARNINGS

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ▶ Loo Niva got opportunity to lead in the CSOs biggest platform called NGO Federation, Lalitpur Nepal.
- ▶ All 39 public schools in the project area of the southern region of Lalitpur District included disability issues in their code of conduct and improvement plans, creating a safe, supportive, accessible, and inclusive learning environment for all children, including girls, Dalits, and children with disabilities.
- ▶ Increased in the budget share for education development by the provincial government and project rural municipalities.
- ▶ Formulated, reviewed, and revised of education policies in the two rural municipalities in the southern region of Lalitpur District, incorporating more child centered elements.
- ▶ Adopted and implemented of disability-inclusive education and child protection policies by project municipalities and the provincial government.
- ▶ Trained and aware elected members of local and provincial assembly members on child protection and inclusive education, leading to improved understanding and motivation for formulating relevant policies.

- ▶ Solidarity from 17 national networks on Right to education and child rights campaign in provinces for promoting child-friendly election processes and inclusion of relevant issues in election manifestos.
- ▶ National level civil dialogue on child Rights issues, bringing together national human rights activists, civil society representatives, school teachers, and children for an interactive session. This event marked a historic moment for Nepal and fostered discussions on crucial matters concerning children.
- ▶ The number of corporate partners started to join in Loo Niva's campaigning for Right to Education, Child Protection and their participation.

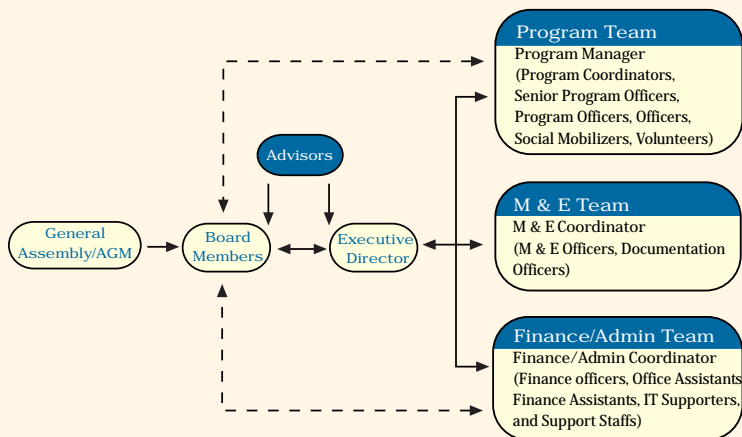


LESSON LEARNT

- ▶ Regular coordination and cooperation with local governments are crucial for project effectiveness, ownership, and sustainability.
- ▶ Formulation of child right policy in project RM needs consultation with evidence-based analysis of interventions.
- ▶ Regular meetings between key stakeholders are needed for timely solutions and system strengthening.
- ▶ Empowering local communities can lead to sustainable change.
- ▶ Child club leadership is pivotal in controlling child marriage and fulfilling the right to education of CwDs, and committed leadership will be developed.
- ▶ Transparency and accountability should be prioritized throughout the project.
- ▶ Partnerships with other organizations can increase impact and reach.
- ▶ Contextualization of interventions can improve effectiveness in local settings.
- ▶ Monitoring visits from external stakeholders such as the Ministry and Intermedia can provide valuable observations from different perspectives.

Loo Niva Executive Board

1. Chairperson: Ms. Rupa Munakarmi
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LOO NIVA GEOGRAPHICAL WORKING AREAS



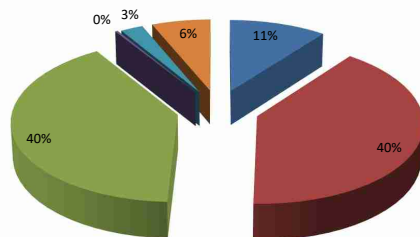
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Working Areas

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Income And Expenditure Statement
For the period From 1st January, 2022 to 31st December, 2022

S.N.	Particulars	Education Support Program (In NPR)	Promoting Right to Education and Protection of the Most Vulnerable Children (In NPR)	Strengthening Education Policies and Ensuring the Right to Education in Nepal (In NPR)	Local Sponsorship Program (In NPR)	Girls/Youth Sponsorship Program (In NPR)	CoreFund Program (In NPR)	Total Amount (In NPR)
A	Income							
1	Grant	2,431,469.24	9,510,731.48	9,512,613.52	-	324,272.70	-	21,779,086.94
2	Donation	-	-	-	10,000.00	-	536,954.00	546,954.00
3	Individual Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	718,923.00	718,923.00
4	Bank Interest	11,456.25	21,150.99	26,596.32	5,330.41	18,928.69	181,932.27	265,394.93
5	Other Income	-	9,000.00	-	-	-	142,930.00	151,930.00
	Total	2,442,925.49	9,540,882.47	9,539,209.84	15,330.41	343,201.39	1,580,739.27	23,462,288.87
B	Expenditure							
1	Program Expenditure	1,296,973.00	4,590,894.00	3,038,642.08	73,650.00	357,127.00	1,100,602.00	10,457,888.08
2	Human Resource Cost	1,296,977.00	4,661,409.00	5,765,259.00	-	-	293,761.00	12,017,406.00
3	Administrative Expenditure	54,483.00	984,306.00	1,474,060.24	-	257,127.00	-	2,769,976.24
4	Depreciation Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	207,022.50	207,022.50
	Total	2,648,433.00	10,236,609.00	10,277,961.32	73,650.00	614,254.00	1,601,385.50	25,452,292.82
C	Excess of Income Over Expenditure	(205,507.51)	(695,726.53)	(738,751.48)	(58,319.59)	(271,052.61)	(20,646.23)	(1,990,003.95)

EXPENDITURE STATUS 2022



- Education Support Program
- Promoting Right to Education of the Most Vulnerable Children
- Strengthening Education Policies and Ensuring the Right to Education in Nepal
- Local Sponsorship Program
- Girls Sponsorship Program
- Corefund

WORKING PARTNERS, SUPPORTERS AND COLLABORATORS IN 2022

In 2022, Loo Niva's joint efforts made a significant contribution to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, especially Goal #4, and ensuring children's rights to education, meaningful participation, and protection. Loo Niva has closely worked with the following are the names of government agencies, Development Partners, and Corporate Partners, including individual sponsors.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

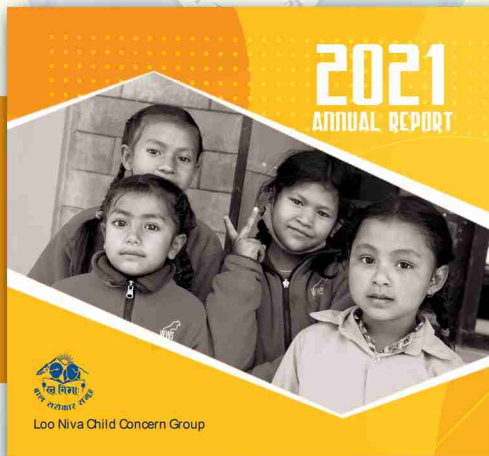
- Ministry of Education, Nepal
- Ministry of Social Development in Bagmati and Sudurpaschim Province
- Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizens - National Child Rights Council (NCRC)
- District Coordination Committee of Lalitpur and Dadeldhura
- Nepal Police
- Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Municipalities and Rural Municipals

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

- Interpedia, Finland
- Ministry for Foreign Affairs' Finland
- Development and Culture Association Aurora Borealis

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

- Hotel Country Villa, Nagarkot
- Nabil Bank Limited
- Sunrise Bank Limited
- Choudhary Group, Nepal



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