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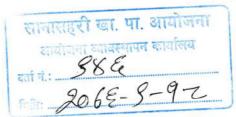
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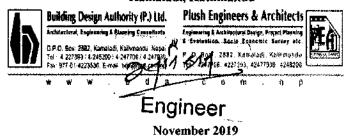


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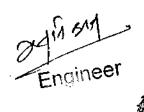


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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB Asian Development Bank

DCC District Coordination Committee
DED Detailed Engineering Design

DRTAC Design Review and Technical Audit Consultant

DSC Design and Supervision Consultant

DSMC Design, Supervision and Management Consultant

DTW Design Tube Well

DWSSM Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management

EARF Environmental Assessment and Review Framework

EIA Environment Impact Assessment
EMP Environment Management Plan
EMR Environmental Monitoring Report

EPA Environment Protection Act
EPR Environment Protection Rules
ESA Environmental Safeguard Assistant
ESE Environmental Safeguard Expert

GoN Government of Nepal

GRM Grievance Redress Mechanism
HDPE High Density Polyethylene

HHs Households

ICGImplementation Core GroupIEEInitial Environmental ExaminationMoFEMinistry of Forests and Environment

MoWS Ministry of Water Supply

NDWQS National Drinking Water Quality Standard

NGO Non-Governmental Organization
PMO Project Management Office
REA Rapid environmental assessment

RoW Right of Way

RPMO Regional Project Management Office
SDG Sustainable Development Goal

SPS Safeguard Policy Statement
TDF Town Development Fund
ToR Terms of Reference

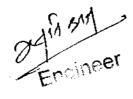
UWSSP Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project

WHO World Health Organization

WSSDO Water Supply and Sanitation Divisional Offig

WTP Water Treatment Plant

WUSC Water Users and Sanitation Committee





Glect Management Office

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

C

Celsius /centigrade

dBA

decibel audible

Ha

hectare/s

Km

kilometer/s

Kph

kilometer/s per hour

М

meter/s

 m^3

cubic meter/s

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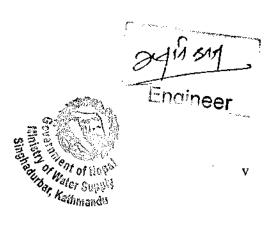
above mean sea level

mg/l

milligram/s per liter

Mm

millimeter/s









कार्यकारी सारांश

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यस प्रस्तावित आयोजनाका प्रस्तावक शहरी खानेपानी तथा सरसफाई आयोजनाको आयोजना व्यवस्थापन कार्यालय हो। यो कार्यालय खानेपानी तथा ढल व्यवस्थापन विभाग अन्तर्गत पर्दछ। यो आयोजना साना शहर र नगरोन्मुख बस्तिहरुको खानेपानी तथा सरसफाई सेवा सूधारमा केन्द्रित रहेको छ। यो आयोजना समुदायको आवश्यकता अनुसारको माग र सोका लागि समुदायकै सिक्क्य सहभागिता र व्यवस्थापनको सिद्धान्तमा आधारित छ। यो आयोजनाले नेपाल सरकारलाई दिगो बिकास लक्ष्य (बुँदा ६) अनुसार सन् २०३० भित्र सबैका लागि खानेपानी तथा सरसफाईको उपलब्धता र सोको दिगो व्यवस्थापन हाँसील गर्न सहयोग पुऱ्याउनेछ। यस आयोजनाबाट प्रदेश नं. ५ को दाङ जिल्लाको राप्ती गाउँपालिका का वडा नं. ५, ७ र ८ मा पर्ने आयोजना क्षेत्रका वासिन्दा लाभान्वित हनेछन्।

प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परीक्षणको उद्देशय

यस प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परीक्षणको मूल उद्देश्य भनेको यस आयोजनाका कार्यहरुबाट वातावरणमा पर्न सक्ने नकारात्मक असरहरुको पहिचान गरी ती असरहरुलाई न्यून गर्नु, निर्मूल गर्नु वा ऐनको स्वीकार्य सिमामा ल्याउन आवश्यक र उपयोगी उपाय तथा स्भावहरु योजनाबद्ध रुपमा दिन् हो।

नेपाल सरकारका ऐन तथा कानून, र ए. डि. बि. बै.को नीति

नेपाल राष्ट्रको प्रचलित कानून, नियम तथा एशियाली विकास बैंकको नीति अनुसार कुनै पनि विकासको योजना तथा निर्णय प्रिक्रयामा वातावरणीय असरहरु बारे ध्यान पुऱ्याउनु पर्ने हुन्छ । नेपाल सरकारको कानूनी प्रिक्रिया अनुसार यो प्रस्तावित परियोजनाले वातावरण संरक्षण ऐन, २०५४ र वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली, २०५४ को पालना गर्नुपर्ने हुन्छ । प्रस्तावित प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परीक्षणले वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली (२०५४) को अनुसूची १ अन्तर्गत दफा-ऐ को उपदफा ६ को पालना गर्दछ ।

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खानेपानी मन्त्रालयद्वारा मिति २०७५/०७/२९ मा स्वीकृत कार्यसूची (टी.ओ.आर.) का आधारमा यो प्रतिवेदन तयार गरिएको छ । यस अध्ययनले वातावरण संरक्षण ऐन (२०५३) तथा वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली (२०५४), र साथ साथै एशियाली बिकास बैंकको सुरक्षण नीति कथन (जुन २००९) का प्रावधान तथा व्याख्याहरुको पालना गरेको छ । यस अध्ययनका सिलिसलामा प्रतिवेदन अध्ययन, फिल्ड अध्ययन, संकित तथ्यहरुको विश्लेषण तथा सूचना संप्रेषण तथा सार्वजनिक सहभागिताका कियाकलापहरु गरिएका छन् । सार्वजनिक सूचना प्रकाशन, सुचना टाँसको मुचुल्का र सार्वजनिक छलफल गरीसरोकारवालाहरु का सुभावहरु प्रतिवेदनमा उल्लेख गरिएको छ । भौकि विश्वावरणीय अवयवहरु, जैविक वातावरणका पक्षहरु तथा सामाजिक-आर्थिक अवस्थाहरुको सुक्ष्म रुपेस अध्ययन गरी स्थानीय सरोकारवालाहरु सित आयोजना कार्यान्वयन गर्दा हुन सक्ने सकारात्मक प्रभावहरुक प्रतिवेदनमा छलफल गरिस्की छ । भौकि विभागिका काम हुने ठाउँहरु - प्रत्यक्ष अस्म वर्न क्षेत्र र त्यसको वरिपरि नजिकको क्षेत्रमा गरिएको छ । स्थानी वर्मा कार्यान्वयन विशेषत आयोजनाको प्रकृति क्षेत्रमा निर्माणका काम हुने ठाउँहरु - प्रत्यक्ष अस्म वर्न क्षेत्र र त्यसको वरिपरि नजिकको क्षेत्रमा गरिएको छ ।

आयोजनाका मुख्य संरचनाहरु

प्रस्तावित प्रगतिनगर खानेपानी तथा सरसफाई आयोजना भूमीगत जलस्रोतमा आधारित प्रणाली हो । यसका दुईवटा कम्पोनेन्टहरु छन्: (क) खानेपानी वितरण र (ख) सरसफाई । खानेपानी वितरण अन्तर्गत डीप ट्यूब वेल, प्रसोधन प्रणाली, पानी भण्डारण ट्याङ्की निर्माण, वितरण प्रणालीको निर्माण, पाईप विद्याउने कार्य, घरधारा जडान एवं कार्यालय भवन निर्माणका कार्यहरु हुनेछन् । यस आयोजनाबाट वडा नं. ५ का लठुवा, प्रगतिनगर, पहरुवा, कालापानी, सिंगे, कमल रोड; त्यसै गरी वडा नं. ७ का बिर्किससिनिया, जीतपुर; र वडा नं. ८ का पिपरी, पिपरा, विजौरी, कोहलुवा वस्तीहरु गरी जम्मा २४०६ घरधारा जडान मार्फत पानी वितरण गरिनेछ । दोस्रो पाटोमा सरसफाई कार्यक्रम छ, जस अन्तर्गत घरधुरीहरुमा सरसफाईको प्रवर्धन र सार्वजनिक शौचालयको निर्माण प्रस्ताव गरिएको छ । यस आयोजनाको खानेपानी संरचनाका लागि लागत रु ४०,६४,२२,३००/- र सरसफाई तर्फको लागत रु ६९,४८,८४७/- गरी कूल लागत रु ४१,४४,७९,१४७/- रहेको छ ।

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यो आयोजना दाङ जिल्लाको राप्ती गाउँपालिकामा अवस्थित छ । आयोजना क्षेत्र समुन्द्री सतहबा २१० मिटर देखि ३०० मिटरको उचाईमा रहेको छ । आयोजना क्षेत्र भित्री मधेशको समधल भूमीमा पर्दछ । यस आयोजनाका मुख्य संरचनाहरु सार्वजनिक भूमिमा रहनेछन् । त्यसै गरी पानी वितरण पाईपलाइनहरु सार्वजनिक बाटोको अधिकार क्षेत्र (ROW) भित्र रहनेछन् । आयोजना क्षेत्रमा कालापानी सामुदायिक वन र शंकर सामुदायिक वनहरु पर्दछन् । आयोजना क्षेत्र भित्र कुनैपनि किसिमको सिमसार तथा संरक्षित क्षेत्रहरु छैनन् ।

प्रगतिनगर एक शहरोन्मूख बस्ती हो जहाँ आर्थिक कारोबार बढ्दो कममा छन् । आयोजना क्षेत्रका घरधुरीको औसत मासिक आय करिब रु ४०,१९३/- रहेको छ । बसाई सराई तथा भाडामा बस्ने मानिसहरुको बढ्दो जनसंख्याका कारण आयोजना क्षेत्रको जनसंख्या बृद्धि उल्लेखनीय रहेको देखिन्छ । बिद्यमान खानेपानी प्रणालीको क्षमता हालको जनसंख्या मध्ये ५% का लागि मात्रै पुग्ने देखिन्छ । ९३.२% घर ट्यूबवेलको पानी प्रयोग गर्दछन् । अधिकांश घरहरुमा चर्पीको व्यवस्था छ तर ४.३% अभौ चर्पी बनाउन बाँकी रहेको छ । बजार क्षेत्रमा सार्वजनिक शौचालयको अभाव देखिन्छ ।

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यस आयोजनाको कार्यान्वयनले धेरै महत्वपूर्ण नकारात्मक वातावरणीय प्रभाव पर्ने देखिँदैन र संभावित नकारात्मक प्रभावहरु पनि स्थानीय र सजिलै सँग निराकरण गर्न सिकने प्रकारका रहेकाछन् । आयोजनाका विभिन्न भौतिक संरचनाहरु निर्माण गर्न कूल ५,०५२ वर्ग मिटर जमीन भित्रको जग्गा मात्रै प्रयोग हुनेछ । वडा नं ५ मा रहेको शिव मन्दिर परिसरको खाली जमीन र सोही जमीन नजिकैको शंकर माध्यामिक विद्यालयको खुल्ला जमीनमा पनि आयोजनाका केही संरचनाहरु बन्नेछन् । आयोजनाको मुख्य संरचना स्थानको छनौट उपभोक्ता समितिको सल्लाह र सुभाव अनुरुप गरिएको छ र त्यसको लागि कुनै पनि संरचना र जनसमुदायलाई विस्थापित वा पुनर्स्थापना गर्नु देखिन्छ । आयोजनाका लागि आवश्यक पर्ने जग्गा उपभोक्ता समितिल हाशील गरिसकेकोछ प्रकार प्राणीनी वितरण प्रणालीका मूख्य वातावरणीय मुद्दा निर्माणसंग सम्बन्धित कियाकलाप जस्तै प्राणीन वितरण प्रणालीका मूख्य वातावरणीय मुद्दा निर्माणसंग सम्बन्धित कियाकलाप जस्तै प्राणीन वितरण प्रणालीका मूख्य वातावरणीय मुद्दा निर्माणसंग सम्बन्धित कियाकलाप जस्तै प्राणीन वितरण प्रणालीका मूख्य वातावरणीय मुद्दा निर्माणसंग सम्बन्धित कियाकलाप जस्तै प्राणीन वितरण प्रणालीका कार्य,

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प्रशोधन इकाइ निर्माण, भण्डारण द्याङ्की निर्माण र पाइप लाइन बिछ्याउँदा जमीन तथा सडकको सतह खुकुलो हुदाँ हुने भूक्षय हुन सक्ने जस्ता प्रभावहरु रहेका छन्। छोटो समयको लागि हाबा, पानी तथा ध्वनी प्रदुषण हुन सक्ने देखिन्छ। त्यसै गरी कामदारहरुको सुरक्षा पिन एउटा चासोको विषयको रुपमा हेरिएको छ। समग्र रुपमा हेर्दा प्रस्तावित आयोजनाबाट सो क्षेत्रका जैवीक, भौतिक, आर्थिक, सांस्कृतिक तथा सामाजिक वातावरणमा कृनै गहन प्रभावको सम्भावना निकै कम देखिन्छ।

प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परिक्षण प्रतिवेदनको एउटा मुख्य अंशको रुपमा वातावरणीय व्यवस्थापन योजना बनाईएको छ, जसमा निम्न कुराहरु समेटिएका छन् : क) आयोजना कार्यान्वयन चरणमा पर्न सक्ने वातावरणीय प्रभाव न्यूनीकरणका उपायहरु पत्ता लगाउने, ख) जिम्मेवार निकायद्वारा वातावरणीय अनुगमन तथा न्यूनीकरणको प्रतिवेदन तयार गर्ने, ग) सूचना सम्प्रेसण तथा सार्वजनिक छलफल गर्ने, र घ) गुनासो सम्बोधन गर्ने संयन्त्र बनाउने । डिजाईनमा सूधार एवं संसोधन गरेर धेरै जसो वातावरणीय नकारात्मक असरहरुलाई न्यूनीकरण गरिएको छ।

वातावरणीय व्यवस्थापन योजना अन्तर्गतका महत्वपूर्ण केही कार्यहरु मध्ये वडा नं. द को शिव मन्दिर परिसरनिजक करिब २५ मिटरको पर्खाल लगाउने, सिसहिनया क्षेत्रको वजार क्षेत्रमा सकेसम्म कम असर पर्ने गरी पाईप लाईनहरु बिछ्याउने, वडा नं. ५ मा यस गाउँपालिकाको कार्यालय रहेको परिसर निजक रहेको प्रस्तावित खुल्ला स्थानमा कामदारका लागि व्यवस्थित रुपमा शिविर संचालन गरी सोही स्थानमा आवश्यक निर्माण सामग्री संचय गर्ने, हरियाली प्रवर्धन गर्ने, कुनै पिन क्षिति भएका निजी वा सार्वजिनक संरचनालाई पहिलेकै उचित अवस्थामा पुनर्स्थापना गर्ने; निर्माण कार्यका कारण निस्कने ढुङ्गा-माटो र फोहर गाउँपालिकासितको समन्वयमा निश्चित स्वीकृत ठाउँमा मात्रै फाल्ने, र खोलानालामा फाल्न बन्देज गर्ने; तथा स्थानीय सरोकारवालाहरु सित समन्वय गरी वातावरणीय संरक्षणका विषयमा जनचेतनामूलक कार्यक्रमहरु संचालन गर्ने जस्ता कार्यहरु रहेका छन्।

वातावरणीय व्यवस्थापन योजनालाई निर्माण कार्यको ठेक्का सम्भौताको एउटा अंशको रुपमा राखिएको छ। नकारात्मक प्रभाव न्यूनीकरणको कार्यान्वयन राम्रो संग भएको वा नभएको जाँच गर्न अनुगमन गर्नु जरुरी छ। त्यसैले निर्माण र संचालन अविधमा हुने कियाकलापहरुलाई समेटेर एउटा बिस्तृत अनुगमन कार्यक्रम तयार पारिएको छ। आयोजना शुरु गर्नु अगाडि आयोजना ब्यवस्थापन कार्यालयले नकारात्मक प्रभाव न्यूनीकरणका उपायहरुको कार्यन्वयन गर्नका लागि कार्य योजना र वातावरणीय योजना अनुसारको अनुगमन योजना बनाइने छ। ई.एम्.पि. कार्यान्वयनका लागि रु १४,००,०००/- निर्माण ठेक्कामा संलग्न गरिनेछ।

यस आयोजनाबाट स्थानीय जनताहरुले प्रशस्त सकारात्मक फाईदा प्राप्त गर्नेछन्, जसमध्येका मुख्य फाईदाहरु निम्नानुसार छन् क) सुधारीएको खानेपानीको सूविधामा जनताको पहुंच्यक बुद्धि हुने एवं सरसफाईको क्षेत्रमा सुधार, ख) आयोजना क्षेत्रमा रोजगार बढ्नु र सीप अभिवृद्धि हुन् प्रगतिनगर शहरका बासिन्दाहरुको जीवनस्तरमा सुधार आउन्।

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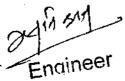
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प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परिक्षणको प्रतिवेदन लेखन कममा समुदायसंग छलफल गरिएको छ । यस्ता छलफलहरु लाई पुरै आयोजना निर्माण चरणसम्म निरन्तरता दिइनेछ । मिति २०७४ पौष ३ गतेका दिन आर्थिक अभियान राष्ट्रिय दैनिकमा प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परिक्षणका लागि राय सुभाव पेश गर्ने सम्बन्धमा १४ दिने सार्वजनिक सूचना जारी गरियो । उक्त सूचना विभिन्न कार्यालय तथा स्थानहरुमा टाँस गरी सोको मुचुल्का गरियो । स्थानीय निकाय तथा सरोकारवालाहरुको उपस्थितिमा यस आयोजनाका बारेमा र प्रतिवेदनमा उल्लेख गरिएका वातावरणीय पक्षहरुका बारेमा जानकारी तथा छलफल पनि गरिएको छ । समुदायका कुनैपनि गुनासाहरुलाई तुरुन्तै सम्बोधन गर्ने हेतुले प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय प्रतिवेदनमा गुनासो सम्वोधन प्रक्रिया विस्तृत रुपमा वर्णन गरिएको छ ।

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यस आयोजना बाट स्थानीय बासिन्दाहरुले चौिवसै घण्टा सुरक्षित खानेपानी पाउनेछन् र सरसफाईको अवस्थामा सुधार हुनेछ जसले गर्दा आयोजना क्षेत्रका बासिन्दाहरुको जीवन स्तरमा सुधार आउनेछ । यस आयोजनाको प्रकृति, आयोजना क्षेत्रको वातावरण एवम् आर्थिक सामाजिक अवस्था र स्थलगत निरिक्षण एवम् सरोकारवाला संगको सरसल्लाहलाई मध्यनजर गर्दा यस परियोजनाबाट आयोजना क्षेत्रमा न्यून नकारात्मक वातावरणीय असर पर्ने देखिन्छ । संभावित प्रभावहरु धेरै जसो स्थानीय प्रकारका छन् र सुभाइएका प्रभाव न्यूनीकरणका उपयुक्त उपाय कार्यान्वयन गरिएमा र नियमित अनुगमन गरिएमा यी प्रभावहरुलाई सजिलै एवम् कम खर्चमा न्यूनीकरण गर्न सिकनेछ । यस आयोजना कार्यान्वयनका लागि प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परिक्षण मात्रै गरे पुग्ने देखिन्छ र अतिरिक्त वातावरणीय प्रभाव अध्ययन गर्नु नपर्ने देखिन्छ ।







Executive Summary

The proponent of Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project is the Project Management Office of Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (UWSSP) under the Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management, Government of Nepal. The project is focused on improvement of water supply and sanitation service delivery in small-scale urban and semi-urban centers across Nepal. The project will support the GoN to achieve the targets of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG-6). The project will serve the beneficiaries of ward numbers 5, 7 and 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality of Dang district in Province 5.

Objectives of IEE

The prime objective of IEE is to identify the potential environmental impacts associated with the project, and to propose benefit augmentation measures as well as negative impact mitigation measures along with an environmental management plan so as to avoid such impacts or to limit any such impact/s within the levels acceptable as per environmental standards and thresholds of the GoN.

GoN's Legal Requirements, and Categorization

This Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) report has been prepared as per Schedule-1 of Environment Protection Rule (1997), GoN. Procedures and reporting format has been followed as per the requirements of the EPR, 1997. Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project is classified as Environment Category B as per the SPS- 2009 as no significant impacts are envisioned.

Study Methodology

The present Initial Environmental Examination report has been prepared based on the Terms of Reference (ToR) approved by the Ministry of Water Supply, GoN, on 15th November 2018. The study has followed the provisions outlined in the Environment Protection Act, 1997 and Environment Protection Rules, 1997, and Safeguard Policy Statement, 2009 of the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The major activities undertaken during the preparation of IEE are Desk Study, Literature review, Field study, Data processing, Impact Prediction and Evaluation, and Public Consultation. Publication of public notice, collection of deed or inquiry of pasting of the notice in the locality, continuous public consultations, and conducting of a formal public consultation to collect opinions and suggestions from the locals was also conducted during the IEE study period. Study of the physical, biological and socio-economic environmental aspects was conducted in relation to the project activities and potential impacts of those activities. The study has focused in the core project area as well as its surrounding area.

Major Project Components

The proposed project is ground water source based system. It has two major components; namely - (i) water supply component, and (ii) sanitation component. Under water supply component, there are activities like deep-boring, establishment of treatment units, water storage tank construction, guard house, laying of transmission & distribution network pipelines, connection of household taps, and construction of a office building of WUSC. The sanitation component comprises of paulsehold sanitation promotion works and construction of public toilet. This project serves the settlements including Lathuwa, Pragatinagar, Paharuwa, Kalapani, Who by of Water 500 pt





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Singe, Kamal road of ward number 5, and Barki Sishahaniya, Jitpur of ward number 7, and pipari, Bijauri, Kohaluwa of ward number 8. A total of 2406 households will have tap connections in the base year. The cost of water supply component is NRs 408,522,300 and that of sanitation component is NRs 6,948,847; and the total project cost is NRs 415,471,147.

Description of the Environment

This project is located in Rapti Rural Municipality of Dang district. The altitude of the project area ranges from 210 meters to 300 meters (amsl). The project area lies in the flat plains of inner Terai belt. The major components of this project lie in the public land. The water distribution pipelines will be within the right-of-way (ROW) of public roads. There are some community forests like Kalapani Community Forest and Shankar Community Forest within the project area. There are no designtated wetlands or protected areas within or in close vicinity of the project агеа.

Pragatinagar is a rapidly growing urban center with increasing economic aitivities. The average monthly income of the households of the project area is NRs 40,193. The growth in population of the project area is also contributed by the increasing trend of urban inmigration and rental population. The existing water supply system has coverage of only 5% and around 93% of the households depend on water from tubewell for drinking water. Most of the households of the project area have toilets, but around 4.3% of the households still lack proper toilet facilities. There is also lack of adequate public toilet in the market area.

Environmental Impacts and Environment Management Plan

The implementation of this project will not have major significant impacts on the environment, and the potential impacts are also local in extent and those can be mitigated with applicable mitigation measures. A total of 5,052 square meters of land will be required for construction of different project components. There will be need of acquiring the open land of Shiv Mandir premises in ward 5, and also a portion of open land of nearby Shankar Secondary School will need to be acquired. The sites required for the construction of the project units have been selected in close consultations with the WUSC, and there is no need of relocation of any structure, and there is no any resettlement needs. The WUSC has obtained the permissions and agreements for the use of the required land. Degradation of land surface due to excavations works to be carried out for tubewell construction, making of project components, and laying of the pipelines is one of the major concerns of the project works. There will be short term concerns of ambient air pollution, noise nuisance and water pollution in relation to the project works. The concerns of occupational, health and safety (OHS) along with community health and safety is among the major socio-economic concerns.

An environmental management plan (EMP) is included as an integral part of this IEE report, which includes; (i) mitigation measures for environmental impacts during implementation, (ii) an environmental monitoring program, and the responsible entities for mitigating, monitoring, and reporting, (iii) public consultation and information disclosure, and iv) a grievance redress mechanism. Most of the impacts and their significance have been reduced by amending the designs and locations. The EMP will be included in civil work bidding and contract documents. An environmental monitoring plan has also been prepared to the monitoring of EMP works. Indicative cost of NRs 1,500,000 has been provisioned to EMP implementation under this IFF report x 100,000 has been provisioned to EMP implementation under Ministry of Water Supply An and Supply and Saviets Sur-

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Some of the major environmental mitigations proposed include construction of an approximately 25 m long wall along the boundary of Shivalaya in ward number 8; to take high precautions and undertake stakeholder consultations to minimize any damage during pipelaying works in market areas of Sisahaniya/Kalapni areas; proper stockpiling in the campsite proposed in the proposed open land near the rural municipality office at ward 5; greenery promotion works; reinstatement of any damaged public or private property to acceptable state; sprinkling of water at dry sites/roads under dry conditions to reduce dust nuisance; prohibition of disposal of spoil or waste onto water bodies, and disposal only in designated sites in coordination with the rural municipality office; and conducting environmental awareness activities in coordination with local stakeholders.

The major benefits for the local citizens due to implementation of this project will be; (i) improved access to the quality drinking water supply and sanitation services, (ii) increased employment opportunities and skill enhancement in the project area, and (iii) improvement in quality of life of the citizends of Pragatinagar service area.

Public Consultation, Information Disclosure, and Grievance Redress Mechanism

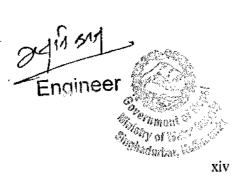
Public consultations were continuously carried out during preparation of the project and IEE report. A public notice was issued on 18th December 2018 in a national daily *Arthik Abhiyan* to collect suggestions and opinions from the local stakeholders. A public consultation was carried out and information were provided in details regarding the project components, its activities and associated environmental impacts. Details of the draft IEE report were discussed and shared. On-going consultations will be carried throughout the project implementation period. A grievance redress mechanism is described to ensure any public grievances are addressed quickly.

Conclusions

Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project will bring a series of benefits to the local people. However, there are some risks in the commencement of the project on time and sustainability of the project which requires to be identified and measures taken to mitigate them. But the analysis shows that project benefits outweigh the risks and these potential risks can be overcome through proper planning, coordination and management. Therefore the proposed subproject is unlikely to cause significant adverse impacts. Based on the findings of IEE, there are no significant adverse impacts and the classification of the subproject as Category "B" is confirmed. No further special study or detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) needs to be undertaken.

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1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INDIVIDUAL INSTITUTION PREPARING THE REPORT

The name of the proposal is 'Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) of Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project'. It lies in Rapti Rural Municipality in Dang district of Province 5.

1.1. Name and Address of the Proponent

The project falls under the Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (UWSSP). The Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management (DWSSM) is the proponent of the project. DWSSM will be the responsible agency for the implementation of the proposal. The name and address of the proponent is given below;

Project Management Office Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management Ministry of Water Supply, Government of Nepal

Address of the Proponent:

Panipokhari, Kathmandu, Nepal

Phone: 977 1 4423848, 977 1 4412348

Fax: 977 1 4413280

email: info@uwssp.gov.np; website: www.uwssp.gov.np

1.2. Consultant Preparing the Report

BDA/PEA (JV) has worked on behalf of the proponent for conducting IEE studies and preparing IEE report using all the prevalent guidelines, acts, policies and regulations. The name and address of the consultant is given below;





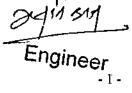


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The following team completed this IEE study;

Table 1.1: Study Team for IEE Study of the Project

SN	Name of Expert	Designation	Expertise field
1	Yogesh Shakya	IEE Team Leader	Environmental Management
2	Giri Bahadur Sunar	Social Safeguards Specialist	Socio-economist
3	Manoj Kumar Sharma	Engineer	Contract Management
4	Sheela Sharma / Rocky Mitra	Asst. Environmental Specialist	Environmental Science
5	Elena Pudasainee	Support Staff	



2. SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

2.1. Introduction

Along with the Third Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project, the Urban Water Supply and Sanitation (Sector) Project (UWSSSP) will support the Government of Nepal (GoN) in providing water supply and sanitation facilities and services to around 22 additional small towns in Nepal. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has already supported the GoN through successful implementation of earlier two phases of projects in over 50 towns. Drawing experience from the past projects, the new phase project will fund physical investments in water and sanitation infrastructure in selected small towns in Nepal and non-physical investments in institutionalizing sector reforms, capacity building, project management and service delivery improvement.

UWSSP will be funded by a loan using a sector lending approach of ADB. The Executing Agency is the Ministry of Water Supply (MoWS) and the implementing agency is the Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management (DWSSM).

The outcome will be inclusive and sustainable water supply and sanitation service delivery in selected small towns in Nepal. The project will have 3 outputs; (i) Improved water supply and sanitation infrastructure in selected small towns; (ii) Strengthened sector policy, institutional framework, service delivery and project implementation; and (iii) Improved project implementation and financing platform. The IEE is based on an assessment of these components, focused on output (i), within the project area.

2.2. Objective of the Proposal

The objective of the proposal is to ensure adequate and safe drinking water to the targeted population of the project area. It is envisioned that the project implementation will also improve the condition of women and all beneficiaries in terms of water fetching, family hygiene and sanitation; and as a whole - the project will improve the quality of life.

2.3. Relevancy of the Proposal

Pragatinagar is a growing small town with dense settlement pattern in core project service area. The existing Pragatinagar Water Supply System was constructed under WSSDO and handed over to WUSC in B.S 2065. Although this piped water supply services is available, its design limits have been exhausted and there is a demand for its rehabilitation and extension in terms of water quality. Hence, the objective of the proposal is to ensure adequate and safe drinking water to the targeted population of the project area. It is envisioned that the project implementation will also improve the condition of women and all beneficiaries in terms of water fetching, family hygiene and sanitation.

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existing system, there is need for a water supply to upgrade the existing water supply situation in order to meet growing water demand in the service area.

2.4. Rationale of IEE study

The proposed water supply and sanitation project is need to be studied from the environmental point of view as per Section 3 of Environment Protection Act 1997, and Clause H of Schedule 1 of the Environment Protection Rules, 1997 (including amendments). Relevancy of environmental assessment of water supply projects is defined basically based on the population of the beneficiaries as it determines the scale of the project and its activities. Hence IEE is relevant in terms the population of the people to be served by the project as indicated in criteria 8 of of Schedule 1 of EPR as mentioned in Table 2 below;

Table 2.1: Criteria for Requirement of IEE for Drinking Water Supply Projects as per EPR (1997) - Schedule 1, Clause H, and its comparison with situation of the Project

Clause Number	Particulars	Status for proposed Project
Sub-Clause 8	Supply of drinking water to population ranging between 5,000 and 50,000	Within Limits (33,394 permanent and 325 rented; in total 33,719 population for design year)

The design year population of the project is 33,719. As the design population of the proposed project is above threshold of 5,000 an environmental assessment is required. However, since it falls within the range of 5,000 to 50,000 - it falls under the threshold need for IEE as per definitions provided in the EPR 1997 (and its amendments).

2.5. Objectives of IEE

IEE is a tool for incorporating environmental concerns at the project level and is carried out as a part of the detailed study. The objectives are;

- To establish baseline environmental status of the project area
- To identify, predict and evaluate the potential beneficial and adverse impacts of the project on the physical, biological and socio-economical resources in the project area
- To suggest enhancement measures to augment the benefits of the project and to propose suitable mitigation measures to avoid, minimize and compensate the adverse impacts of the project.
- To prepare appropriate Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
- To inform public about the proposed project and its impact on their livelihood.
- To prepare an IEE as per the EPR, 1997.

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2.6. Scope of the Study

The scope of the study is to study and prepare the IEE report as per the format indicated by EPR (1997). The task during the preparation of this report included description of the project with reference to the physical biological project and identification of potential

impacts, mitigation measures, monitoring plan and other related topics. However, the study does not limit itself only here, but has strived to completeness and objectiveness.

The study focused in the zone of influence of the project area. Its impacts zones were studied with respect to the activities related to the project. Physical, biological and socio-economic aspects of the environment and the associated concerns were studied. The current studies were conducted as per the ToR of Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project which has been approved by MoWS. The impacts of providing infrastructure in the areas were assessed. Under the environmental impacts, adverse as well as beneficial ones, and its mitigation measures as well as augmentation measures relating to all the project activities during design, construction and operation phases were considered. The Environmental Management Plan with a Monitoring Plan was prepared. The report has been conducted fulfilling the requirements of ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement 2009 and GoN's Environment Protection Rules (1997 and amendments).

Discussions with the locals, consultations with the key persons, coordination with related stakeholders, surveys and specific studies are the range of activities of this IEE study.





3. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL

3.1. Type of Proposal

The project has been conceptualized as ground water based water supply system integrated with sanitation improvement in the project area. The focus of outputs is on water supply and sanitation status improvement in household level under a community owned water supply system management approach.

3.2. Salient Features of the Proposal

There have been some changes in the project design with respect to the salient feature of the approved ToR of this IEE report. This is because the ToR was prepared based on draft Detaield Engineering Design Report of the project. After consultations with the locals/WUSC, there were some changes in the final DEDR report of the project, and hence the design was updated.

Table 3.1: Salient Features of Pragatinagar Town Project

SN.	Items	Description		
1	Name of the Project	Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation		
	•	Project, Pragatinagar, Dang		
2	Type	Ground (Pumping) scheme		
3	Study Level	Detailed Engineering Design Report		
4	Location Area	N		
	Province	Number 5		
	District	Dang		
	Rural Municipality	Rapti Rural Municipality		
	Wards	Parts of Ward No. 5, 7 and 8		
5	Available Facilities			
	Road	East West Highway		
	Nearest Airport	Nepalgunj (nearly 150 Km)		
	Existing Water Supply System	Partially covered by piped water supply system;		
	Existing Water Outply Oystem	Spring sources are used		
	Electricity/Communication	Available		
	Health Services/Banking Facilities	Available		
6	Source Characteristics			
	Source Name	Deep Tube Well		
	Source Type	Groundwater		
	Source Location	Kalapani in Ward # 5 and Pipari in Ward # 8, Rapti Rural Municipality		
	Proposed Tapping yield (lps)	Kelanani DTM :16.57 Inc (Pumping)		
7	Project Components			
	Storage Tank	RCC Overhead Tank 200 Cum : 1 # (Proposed) RCC Overhead Tank 450 Cum: # (Proposed) RCC Ground Tank 200 Cum # (Proposed) Total 850 Cum		
	Valve Chamber (Nos.) Engineer	Type I (1500x900x1000); 7 # Type 2 (900 x900x1000); 7 # Type 2 (900 x90		
	Community Stand Posts	Nil Value State State Office		
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SN-	tens	Description
	House hold Connection (Nos.)	2406 for base year
	Water supply	24 hour supply of potable water as per NDWQS
:	Total Length of pipe (Km)	Transmission: 2.474 Km
_		Distribution : 66.093 Km
	Treatment Unit	Aerator, Pressure filter and Disinfection unit
	Fire Hydrants	8 numbers
8	Social Status	
	Survey Year Population (2017)	11,908 (permanent), 135 (floating); Total 12,043
	Base Year Population (2019)	13,037 (permanent), 145 (floating); Total 13,182
	Design Year Population (2039)	33,394 (permanent), 325 (floating): Total 33,710
	Adopted Annual Growth Rate %	4.79 (Average)
	Household Numbers (2017)	2,156
	Average Family Sizes	5.52
9	Total Water Demand	
	Base year 2019 (m³/day)	Total 1,396.25
	Design year 2039 (m³/day)	Total 3,978.46
10_	Total Cost of the Project (NRs.)	415.471million with 15% contingencies & 13%VAT
	Water Supply Sector	NRs. 408.522 million
	Sanitation Sector	NRs. 6.949 million
11	Cost Sharing Arrangement for water supply component (NRs)	408.522 million
 -	1) GoN Grant @ 70%	NRs. 285.966 million
<u> </u>	2) WUSC Contribution	THE TOTAL PROPERTY OF
		NRs. 20.426 million
	b) Loan through TDF @ 25%	NRs.102.131 million
12	Cost Sharing Affangement for	6.949 million
	1) GoN Grant @ 85%	NRs.5.907 million
		NRs. 1.042 million
13	Per capita Investment (for water supply sector)	Base Year: NRs. 31,518.07(considering permanent and floating population both) Design Year: NRs. 12,321.57 (considering permanent and floating population both)
14	Project Status	Detailed Engineering Design Phase with construction period of 18 months

3.3. Location of the Project

Pragatinagar town project lies in Rapti Rural Municipality in Dang district of Rapti Zone in province number 5. The project town is wards 5, 7 and 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality. Rapti Rural Municipality is formed by merging Sisahaniya VDC, Lalmatiya VDC and wards 1 and 2 of Hansipur VDC. It surrounded by Arghakhanchi district in the East, Bangachuli Rural Municipality in the North, Lamahi Municipality in the West and Gadhawa Rural Municipality in the South. Pragatinagar is one of the emerging towns of Dang district, located at a set West Highway at around 6 kilometers east of Lamahi. Pragatinagar town is located in east of Deutchuri valley in the Terai region bordering India. The location of the project area is 27.51. West Highway at 82°39'14" East Longitude. Pragatinagar town is located about 36km was from Ghorahi, the headquarters of Dang District.

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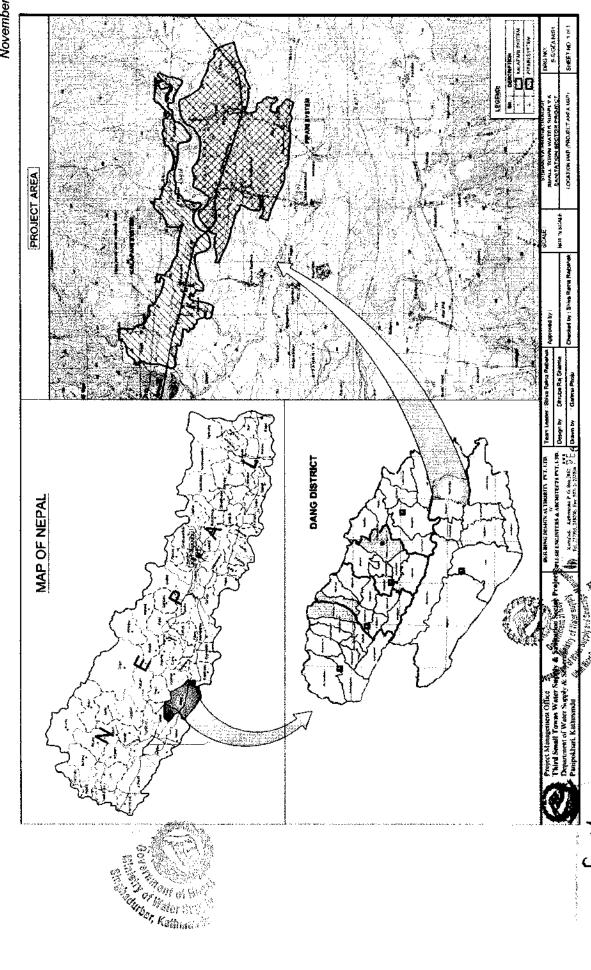
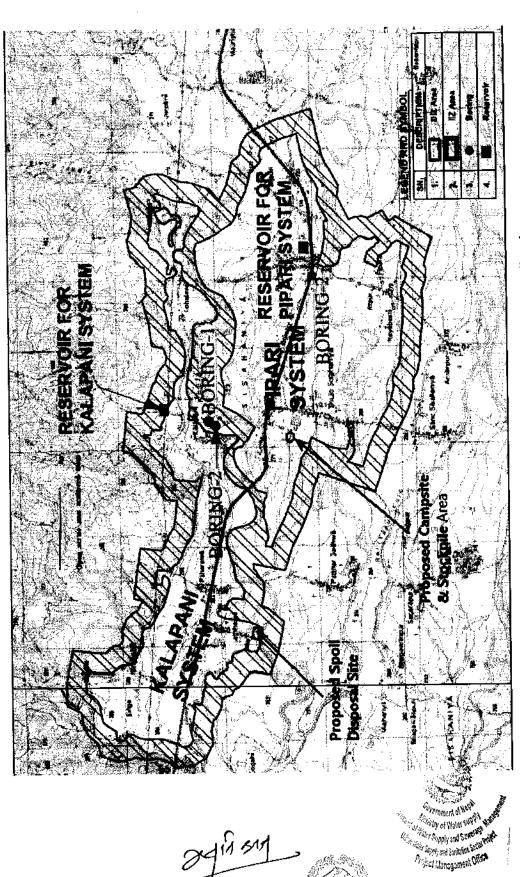


Figure 3.1: Project Area

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Figure 3.2: Project Layout Map with Core Area and Surrounding Area

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3.4. Impact Area Delineation

In order to specify the area that would be covered by the assessment, the geographical boundary of the influence area was delineated on the topographical map and google map. Depending upon the nature and extent of the expected impact area, the Zone of Influence (ZoI) was categorized into Core Area and Surrounding Area.

(a) Core Area

The areas directly affected by the project activities are demarcated as Core Area. The service area that is ward boundary of wards 5, 7 & 8 are delineated as Core Area as all the project activities take place within these areas.

(b) Surrounding Area

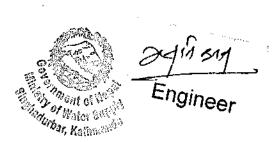
The area around the Core Area that could be indirectly affected due to project construction and implementation activities such as mobility of people, equipment, vehicles, noise, dust, vibration are demarcated as the Surrounding Area. Thus, the area within 200 m of buffer around the Core Area is delineated as Surrounding Area.

3.5. Materials required for the project

The required materials have been divided into two categories; (1) Local materials and locally manufactured products, and (2) Imported manufacture products. The materials as aggregates, sand, stone, timber, bricks are considered to be local materials and locally manufactured products are considered as GI pipes and fittings, HDPE (PE) Pipes and fittings, cement and reinforcement bars. The materials as DI pipes and fittings, water meters, electrical equipment including generators, mechanical equipment, and all kinds of valves are considered as imported manufactured products. It is estimated that there will be need of around 900 m³ of gravel, 6000 bags of cement, 700 m³ of sand and 95 tons of rod for the construction works.

3.6. Energy To Be Used

Diesel and petrol for vehicles and generators, LPG for cooking in the campsites, and electricity for lighting and motors are the basic needs during contruction phase. Regular electricity from national grid will be required for the operation phase.





3.7. Human Resources Requirement

The proposed Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project, entails both skilled and unskilled laborers for its construction and operation in the proposed site. As such for this work a total of around 4500 man-days of skilled labors and 30,000 man-days of unskilled labors person days are required. The laborers estimation were made on the basis of rate analysis. As far as possible, the labourers and workers will be hired from the local market and its adjoining area.

3.8. Methods Adopted During Study

The present Initial Environmental Examination report has been prepared based on the Terms of Reference (ToR) approved by the Ministry of Water Supply, Government of Nepal. The study has followed the provisions outlined in the Environment Protection Act, 1997 and Environment Protection Rules, 1997 and Safeguard Policy Statement, 2009 of the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The principal steps undertaken in the IEE methodology to accomplish the assignment are briefly discussed below.

3.8.1 Desk Study

Existing secondary data relevant to the proposed project was collected from various published and unpublished sources from different governmental and non-governmental organizations. All related maps, aerial photographs; newspaper articles were gathered and studied. The engineering report of the project and other relevant documents were thoroughly reviewed. Policies, legislations and guidelines relevant to the project were also referred. Specifically, water supply, sanitation, urban aspects and biodiversity aspects were considered.

The desk study also involved the preparation of questionnaires/checklists/matrices for detailed field study to collect primary data in order to specify the area that would be covered by the assessment, the geographical boundary of the influence area was delineated on the topographical map.

3.8.2 Field Work

Detailed field investigations were carried out to collect baseline information on the physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural environment of the project area. The local communities and key persons were consulted to understand the social, biological and physical nature of the area. Walk-through survey was conducted in the project area. Checklists, forms and questionnaires were used to collect the primary information. Field works were conducted during last quarter of 2018, and during 1st quarter of 2019. Followings are the studies covered;

Study of Physical Environment:

An extensive Physical Environment survey was carried out by delineating the project impact area to collect the baseline information on physical environment. In-situ measurements and samplings were carried out for field assessment of physical environment Topographic and geomorphic features were observed and documented. Physical features such as topography, climate & meterology, air quality, erosion and land stability & land use pattern were observed and recorded. Similarly, data on rainfall and other meteorological conditions were collected.

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Study of Biological Environment

The vegetation survey was carried out by walkover survey throughout the project direct impact areas. Type of vegetation and forest were identified based on the species composition. Biodiversity values of the indirect impact area were estimated as low, moderate, and high applying standard tools. Ethno-botanical information was obtained. The protected vegetation (rare, endangered, indigenous etc.) of the influence area as per IUCN Red Book, CITES Appendices, and GoN list species were enumerated based on consultation with the local people in the direct impact areas of the project. Wildlife bio-diversity in the indirect impact areas was studied in the field interacting with local people (for habitat continuity) methods to identify linkages between wildlife habitats and proposal activities. The indicator wildlife and threatened or endangered species (as per IUCN Red Book, CITES Appendices, and GoN list) in the area were discussed with the local communities.

Study of Socio Economic and Cultural Environment

Household survey with questionnaires was conducted by interviewing to obtain information on socio-economic and cultural environment like demography, ethnicity, education, health, and sanitation, drinking water condition of the project area, irrigation facility, local traditions, religion, land holding pattern, income and expenditure and to acquire their perception towards proposed project, etc. The survey covered 100% of the total HHs of service area. Consultations were held to interact with local people and stakeholders in order to collect information on migratory pattern of local people, settlements, agriculture, information on beneficiary families and to obtain suggestions and comments from all relevant stakeholders through.

Direct observation (walkover survey) was done to collect information on the cultural sites, and public institutions such as temples, cremation grounds, and festival sites, historical and archaeological sites, school, and health post within the direct project affected areas. Consultation with local elites and key person interviews were conducted to assess the current situation of these facilities and the general water/sanitation status of the communities of the project area.

3.8.3 Data processing

The information obtained from the desk study and field works were processed in a standard format to maintain consistency. The data were tabulated and maps were interpreted. The impacts were then evaluated. The mitigations and monitoring measures were then proposed based on the impacts identified during the study.

3.8.4 Impact Prediction and Evaluation

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The impacts are evaluated based on their impact levels, coverage of area and duration of the impacts. The evaluation will be used to emphasize the need to address the concerns. Magnitude, geographical extent and duration of impacts are defined below;

Magnitude: This can be low-L (minor), medium-M (moderate), and high-H (major), depending on the scale or severity of change.

Geographical extent: If the action is confined to the sub-project area, it is referred as site specific (Ss), if it occurs outside area but close to sub-project area, the extent of impact is local (Lc), if it occurs far away from the sub-project it is referred as regional (R).

Duration: It can be short term (St - i.e. less than 3 years), medium term (Mt - i.e. 3-20 years), and long term (Lt - i.e. more than 20 years).

For the Impact evaluation the matrix method with numerical ranking is used for the quantitative ranking of the predicted impacts. The numerical scale mentioned in the National EIA Guidelines 1993 has been adopted for this sub-project. The numerical scale is as:

Magnitude High Moderate	60 20	Extent Regional Local Site Specific	60 20	Duration Long Term Medium Term Short Term	20 10 05
Minor	10	Site Specific	10	Short Term	05

3.8.5 Consultation and Information Dissemination

Public consultation and information dissemination process is necessary to inform the local people and concerned agencies about the project and to obtain their concerns, issues and suggestions. The methods adopted for conducting public consultations included holding meetings with district officials, concerned departments, institutions and NGOs. Key informant consultations and meetings were also held with the stakeholders within the project area.

A 15 days' public notice was published on 18th December 2018 in a national daily newspaper *Aarthik Abhiyan* seeking written opinions from Rural Municipality office/ward offices, DCCs, schools, local health centers and related local organizations as well as concerned people. A copy of the *Public Notice* was also posted in the notice board of the rural municipality office, ward offices and other public areas in the project area and the deed of inquiry was collected.

A public consultation was carried out on 8th Chairtra 2075 in the meeting hall of the rural municipality office, ward 5. The major concerns raised during the public consultations were community health and safety during construction works, prioritization for local employment, and campsite management in relation to the project activities. The minutes of public consultation is provided in Annex 5. A recommendation letter from the rural municipality office has also been received.

The final IEE report, after incorporating the comments from the concerned department and ADB, will be made available in their respective websites and will be made available to anyone interested upon request.

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3.9. Environmental Baseline Information

3.9.1 Physical Environment

3.9.1.1 Topography, Geology and Soils

The project area lies in Rapti Rural Municipality in Dang district of Province 5. The altitude of the project area varies from 210 to 300 m above the mean sea level. Since the topography of the area is almost flat, the large portion of land faces flooding problem during rainy season.

Geologically it is situated in the foothill of Siwalik range. The underlain formation of the area consists of cobbles, gravels and sand with pockets of clay. The area is rich in groundwater potential. The shallow as well as deep aquifers are being extracted for drinking and irrigation purposes. The project major riveres of the project area are Bhulke khola, Gopi khola and Dolai khola.

3.9.1.2 Land Use

The major chunk of land is used for agricultural purpose. The service area is surrounded by commercial areas and agricultural lands where different crops are grown. The bazaar area has grid pattern roads. No planned land use has been observed. There is around 5% forest cover and 1.5% surface water bodies in the project area. Settlements are found along the road-sides, and at flat lands of hill-elevations. No specific area has been designated for industries. There are a few small scale industries as well. In Pragatinagar, agriculture is the main occupation where the main product being paddy, maize and wheat. Cash crops like potatoes, green vegetables and spices are also widely cultivated. Horticulture and livestock raising including poultry is practiced but not in a commercial scale. The people of this areahave been also been attracted towards foreign work providing remittances.

3.9.1.3 Climate

The temperature of the project area rises to about 33.9°C in summer while in winter it drops to about 5.4°C. About eighty percent of the total annual rainfall occurs during the monsoon season (June to September). The project area is located in relatively flat plain of inner Terai belt.

3.9.1.4 Air Quality

There are no industries in the project area. Air pollution is caused by fugitive dust from vehicles movements particularly over unpaved roads and grounds, and some constructions activities. The roadway linking to the project area are not black topped, as a result area around the roadways are polluted by dust and smoke emitted by the vehicle that runs on the roadways. Gas emissions come from household cooking, open burning, and moving vehicles. Emissions from these sources are scattered/ spread apart both in terms of locations and timing. From field observation, the ambient air quality of the area is considered to be under normal and acceptable levels.

The air quality of the area can be considered to be fair. Vehicular movement is regular. However, the topography of the area also facilitates for free air circulation. No major point sources of air pollution are present in the project area. Visual inspection will be done for monitoring the air quality.

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3.9.1.4 Noise level

The sources of noise in the project area are the construction activities and vehicle movement. The anthropogenic noise is confined in few clustered settlements and in market places and only in the daytime. At nighttime, noise is generated with the arrivals and departures of buses at the bus park. From field observation, noise level in Pragatinagar town is within the national and international permissible standards at daytime and nighttime.

3.9.1.5 Water Quality

Water quality of the existing tube well located in the project site was found to comply with the NDWQS. Besides, the quality of water in the proposed tube well may not show exactly the same results as the existing tube well. It is thus advisable to treat the water in order to prevent adverse effect in the public health. The ground of Terai generally shows the increase in iron and turbidity occasionally. Hence, the water treatment system consisting of aeration, filtration and disinfection is recommended to comply with the requirements of the NDWQS for drinking water. On the other hand, surface water sources like Dolai river, Bhulke Khola and Gopi Khola river are also present in the project area.

3.9.1.6 Solid Waste Management

There is no institutional system of solid waste management. The locals practise pit composting and informal waste workers collect recyclables like paper, bottles, metal, etc from households and markets. While discussing with the officials of rural municipality they have requested for a tractor with trailer for prompt service. Similarly few hand carts (wheel barrows) and collection bins (115 ltrs capacity) are proposed. Besides training program shall be conducted regarding the solid waste management to concerned rural municipality officials, users and WUSC members and other members of Tole Lane Organizations. These awareness programs will help to reduce, reuse and recycle the waste from the households.

3.9.2 Biological Environment

Forests, bush land, grass land and the riverine water bodies are the primary habitat sites for the flora and fauna in the project area. The agricultural area and settlements also provide habitats to fauna accustomed with the human settlements only. Most of the floral species in the agricultural lands are exotic species with limited local flora of ethno-botanical and agro-economic values only.

3.9.2.1 Flora and Fauna in Project Area

The project area has forest area as well. Shree Kalapani Community Forest, and Shree Shankar Community Forest are the community forests within the project area.

Flora of the project area consist of Calotropis gigantean, Woodfordia fruticosa, Euphorbia hirta, Mimosa rubicaulis, Adhatoda vasica, Thespesia lampas, Buddleia paniculata, Colebrookea oppositifolia, etc. and herbaceous species like Eragrostis cyanosuroides, Cyperus rotundus, Eulaliopsis binnata, Achyranthes bidentata, Cissampelos pareira, Phoenix humilis, etc. and seedlings of woody species. Invasive species found in the area we're Laittana camara, Ipomoea Penjor Water Supply and Sales Com Water Supply and Section Process fistulosa, etc.

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Crane, White-rumped vultures, *Panther tigris*, *Varanus bengalensis*, Vulture, *Macaca mulatta* (Monkey), *Felis chaus* (Jungle Cat) are the wild animals reported in the proposed road area. Similarly birds are *Lophura lencomelana* (kalij pheasant), Lophophorus (Danphe), *Columba livia* (Pigion), etc. White-rumped vultures are the endangered species.

3.9.2.2 Non-Timber Forest Products

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Non-timber forest products (NTFPs) are defined as any kind of product derived from forest species other than timber and fuelwood. The main NTFP species found in the project area are: Shorea robusta, Dalbergia sisso, Acacia catech, Bamboo species, etc. Other species are Ricebean Vigna umbellate, Bombax ceiba, harro (Termnalia chebula), barro (Terminalia bellirica), amala (Emblica officinalis), kurilo (Asparagus racemosus), sikakai (Acacia concinna), pipala (Piper longum) and sarpagandha (Rauwolfia serpentine). Harro (Termnalia chebula) and Barro (Terminalia bellirica) are endangered species.

There is no declared protected area or wetland within or in close periphery of the project area. The core project area doesn't lie within demarcated chure area.

3.9.3 Social and Cultural Environment

3.9.3.1 Household and Population

The household survey was conducted in the service area of the project. During household's survey done by the consultants the households within service area were accounted as 2,156 and permanent population 11,908. People from nearby rural areas have come to settle in the market centers of the municipality. The evidence of past few years indicates that inmigration will be in growing rate. It is estimated that around 50 households have come for inmigration from nearby places every year. This aspect has been addressed during projection of population for estimation of demand for the design year. The ward numbers and the cluster settlements is presented in table below:

Table 3.2: Service Area, HH and population (Survey year, 2017)

Town	Ward No.	N HH☆	Population Permanent	Rented	Total
	5	862	4702	103	4805
Pragatinagar, Rapti	7	326	1883	2	1885
Rural Municipality	8	968	5323	30	5353
	Total	2156	11908	135	12043

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

Among the total permanent population (11,908) in the service area, 6,038 are male and 5,870 are female. Male population is slightly higher (50.7%) than the female population (49.3%).

Table 3.3: Male/female population and Average HH size (Survey year 2017)

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Town		TITA	Male	Female	Total	HH Size
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Pragatinagar, Rapti	7	Male Female Total HH 862 2349 2353 4702 5.5 326 954 929 1883 5.8 968 2735 2588 5323 5.5	5,8			
Rural Municipality	8	968	2735	2588	<i>5</i> 323 📆	5.5
	Total	2156	6038	5870	1908	5.5

Source: Socio-economic Survéy-)Authrigt 2017

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3.9.3.2 Caste and Ethnicity

The proposed project service area comprises multi caste / ethnic groups. Each caste and ethnicity is characterized by its own customs, traditions, culture and nature of occupation with which they are associated. Janjati comprises 75.0 percent of total families, Brahmin/Chhetri are the next major group with 19.2 percent, followed by Dalit which constitutes about 4.6 percent.

Table 3.4: Caste / Ethnicity

Course O 1	862	326	968	2156	100.0
Other Total	5	4	17	26	1.2
Dalit		10	54	100	4.6
Janjati D-14	629	253	734	1616	75.0
Brahmin/Chhettri	192	59	163	414	19.2
Ethnicity	5 .	7	8	Total /	Percentage

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

3.9.3.3 Educational Status

Pragatinagar has 10 educational institutions including schools and colleges. About 91.9 percent people on the project area (ward 5, 7 & 8) of Pragatinagar are literate.

Table 3.5: Population Distribution by Education Level

Educational Status	Ward No.5		Ward No.7		Ward No.8		Total	
1014-	Pop.	%	Pop.	%	Pop.		Pop.	%
Illiterate	17	6.2	13	13.0	23	7.4	53	7.7
Literate	29	10.6	20	20.0	48	15.4	97	14.2
Primary	51	18.6	22	22.0	64	20.6	137	
Secondary	73	26.6	17	17.0	73	23.5		20.0
SLC	47	17.2	3	3.0	57		163	23.8
Intermediate or equivalent	27	9.9	11	11.0	22	18.3 7.1	107	15.6
Bachelor's degree or equivalent	4	1.5	5	5.0	1		60	8.8
Master's degree or equivalent	1	0.4	3	3.0		0.3	<u>1</u> 1_	1.6
Above Master's degree	2					0.3	5	0.7
Total	040	0.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.3
	249	100.0	94	100.00	289	100.00	633	100.0

Household Sample Survey, August 2017

3.9.3.4 Occupation

Although, the economy of the area is gradually shifting from rural agricultural economy to trade/ business and service based, majority of the households are still dependent on agriculture. As the socio-economic data shows, nearly 49.4 percent of the households have agriculture as main occupation in service area followed by 30 percent in service and 15 percent in page work. The percent of household by occupation is illustrated in the table below;

Table 3.6: Occupation of Households of the Project Area

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SN	Occupation		્રૈ.∵ુRi		Municipal	ity	L. Total	Percent
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1	<u>Agri</u> culture		359	183	522	THE THREE	1064	49.4
2	Business		116	24	74	101	4214	
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SN	Occupation	Ra	pti Rural	Municipality	Total	Percent
4	Industry	1	1	1	3	0.1
5	Foreign Employment	72	21	47	140	6.5
6	Wages	165	76	76	317	14.7
7	Others	4	0	1	5	0.2
. 8	Do Nothing	11	0	3	14	0.6
	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

3.9.3.5 Economic Characteristics

Economic condition of the families in service area is satisfactory in terms of their monthly income level. The distribution of households by income range is shown in Table V-6, which indicates that 51.3 percent of them have income range NRs. 2001-50000 per month. Likewise, 26.1 percent of households fall under the income range NRs. 7501-20000 categories. As the data shows 20.8 percent of households have highest income level (more than NRs.50,000 per month), whereas 0.2 percent of the households have lowest income level i.e. less than NRs. 5,000 per month. Finding of socio-economic census survey depicts that the household average monthly income is NRs. 40,193.88

Table 3.7: Monthly Average Income Range

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≫ SN .	Income Range		Ward No,		Total	%
	(NRs.)	5	7	8		
1	<5000	3		1	4	0.2
2	5000-7500	34	1		35	1.6
3	7501-20000	326	13	224	563	26.1
4	20001-50000	398	13	695	1106	51.3
5	>50000	101	299	48	448	20.8
	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

3.9.3.6 Existing Water Supply Condition

Existing water supply system cover 17 public taps in Kolwaha and Jutpani in ward no. 8 and 14 public taps in Singhe village in ward no. 8. No private taps were seen during the observation. Water is supplied 24 hours a day except during dry season. In dry season of months, water is supplied 2 hours in the morning and 2 hours in the evening. Regarding the perception of beneficiaries toward water quality 77.9 percent of the respondents feel the quality of supplied water is satisfactory or moderate and only 9.3 percent of them feel highly satisfactory, where as 12.8 percent of the respondents said the water quality is unsatisfactory.

Table 3.8: Satisfaction in terms of Water Quality

SN	Vator		Ward No.			
	Quality	5	7	8	Total	Percent
1	Good	9	14	177	200	_€ ** 3
2	Satisfactory	821	248	611	1680	77.9
3	Unsatisfactory	32	√ 64	180	276	Co. 12.8
	Total	862	7132814	968	2156	Watthew till and
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3.9.3.7 Existing Sanitation Condition

In general the overall sanitation condition of the project area was observed satisfactory. Most of the households in the market area have permanent type of private latrine and others have temporary type of private latrine. It was reported that all the colleges / schools, hospital and government offices have toilets. Lined drain is observed in limited part of the core bazaar area. No water logged area is found as sufficient natural slope exists. The proper management of solid waste by the different agencies has not been developed till now in this town. People were found to manage solid waste in the pits prepared in the backyard of their house.

Regarding the drainage facility, 97.2 percent of the respondents reported that they do not have access to drainage, whereas nearly 2.8 percent of them have access to it. The sewerage system has not been developed in the service area so far.

Table 3.9: Drainage and Sewerage Facility

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Facility Type	Drainage		Ward No.	8	Total	Percent
Drainage and	Yes	46	4	10	60	2.8
Sewerage	No	816	322	958	2096	97.2
	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, 2017

Access to Household Latrine

The access of household to toilet facility is shown in table below, which reveals that 95.7 percent (2064 out of 2156) of the households have household toilet.

Table 3.10: Household Latrine

	Ward No.	3. (V. NOUSE		Total	Percent
Tollet	(4)	, 7	8		95.7
Yes	849	293	922	2064	
No proper latrine	13	33	46	92	4.3
Total	862	326	968	2156	100.0

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

Among the households with access to household latrine, 78.8 percent of them have ventilated type of latrine, 13.1 percent have water seal type and 6.8 percent have pit latrine as shown in table 3.11below. The households with water seal latrines and cistern flush latrines have septic tanks while others do not have proper septic facility as they have pit latrines.

Table 3.11: Type of Household Latrine

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SN	Toilet Type		Ward No.		Total				
		5	7	8	No.	Percent			
1	Pit Latrine	62	23	56	141	6.8			
 ' -	Ventilated Pit	663	242	721	1626	78.8			
3	Water Seal	112	27	131		.13.1°			
1	Cistern Flush	12	1	14	27	1.3			
├ ॅ	Total	849	293	922	2064 co				
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3.9.3.8 Existing Health Situation

Ghorahi-based Rapti Sub-Regional Hospital of Dang district is set to be upgraded to a teaching hospital in line with the government policy to have one such hospital in Mid-West Region. Most people visit district hospital, apart from these, there are two Health Offices in the project area providing health facilities to the resident.

Most of people are found aware in health and hygiene. People are aware about hand washing before touching and eating food, and after defecation etc.

Waterborne Diseases In the Project Area

Available data from District Hospital Dang shows that water borne diseases are occurred in the project area. Waterborne diseases can have a significant impact on the local economy. People who are infected by a waterborne disease are usually confronted with financial burden. This is especially the case in poor households.

Total 503 numbers of water born/related diseases infected persons were found treated by District Hospital last year. Out of the total incidents, 164 incidents were diarrheas, 99 incidents were reported as typhoid, 58 and 53 were suffered from worm and dysentery respectively. Likewise, 45 water related cholera and 33 skin diseases were also reported in the project area. District Hospital has recorded water born / related disease data in last year 2075/76 as illustrated in the figure following;

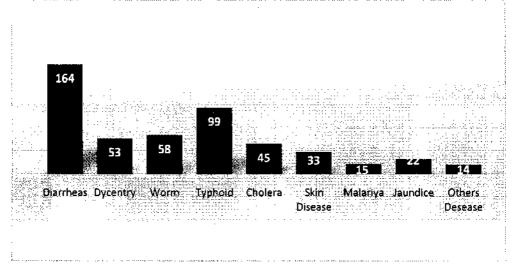


Figure 3.3 Data on Waterborne Diseases in 2075/76 (Source: District Hospital, Dang)

3.9.3.9 Existing Institutions

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Ghorahi is the districts headquarter of Dang district. District level government offices and other institutions have been established in the service area. There are total 6 government offices including office of Rural Municipality. Besides these, a significant number of government and private institutions / organizations are in the town. Among them 11 are financial patitutions, 10 educational institutions i.e. college / schools, 8 health intuitions (hospital / health sentre) and 1 I/NGOs (International/Non Governmental Organizations). The details of the institutions in the service area are presented in table following:

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Table 3.12: Institutions in the service Area

S.N.	Type of Institution	Sub-type	Number
		Shishniya Police bid, Shree Shankar	6
1	Government Office	Bank Karyalaya, Gau Palika Office	
		etc.	
2	Financial	Bank	3
2	rinanciai L	Cooperative / Insurance	8
3	Education	Government / Public College / School	4
	Education	Private/ Boarding school/hostel	6
4	Health	Health Post	2
4	пеакп	Private Clinic / Medical Store	5
5	I/NGO	International / National level	1
"	MINGO	Organization	
6	Small Cottage	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	9
0	Industries	·	ຶ້ນ
7	Hotel / Lodges		2
	Total		46

Source: Socio-economic Survey, 2017

3.9.3.10 Willingness to Pay

Willingness to Pay 5 percent Cash Contribution

As the social census survey data shows, more than 99.2 percent of the beneficiary's HHs would willingly to pay 5% up-front cash contribution if they have been assured that the new water supply system would function and operate with proven water quality without interruptions.

Table 3.13: Willingness to pay 5% Cash Contribution

SN	Willingness to 5% Cash Contribution		Ward No.	**************************************	Total	Percent
1	Yes	851	324	963	2138	99.2
2	No	7		2	9	0.4
3	Can't	4	2	3	9	0.4
	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

There will be awareness programs on water and sanitation aspects to encourage people to participate in this project. The WUSC will have the right to make provisions of subsidy for the ultra poro families who cannot pay for the water supply facilities as per.

3.9.3.11 Cultural Aspects

There are many temples and religious sites present in the project area. Siddheshwor temple and Shivalaya temple premises are among the significant temples of the project area. Siddheshwor temple and Shivalaya are in ward number 8. The local visitors visit the street temple on daily basis. Haneshwor Mahadev temple, and Paharuwa Shiva Dhaam are the project area. The temples of the project site are not of archaeological significance.

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3.10. Review of Policies and Legislation

3.10.1 Nepal's Environmental Policy Framework

Most of the national policies and laws of the Government of Nepal (GoN) are in favor of environmentally sound economic development and growth. Followings are the summaries of the relevant policies, acts and regulations and guidelines that have been reviewed during the preparation of the IEE report.

The Constitution of Nepal

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The Constitution defines that each person shall have the right to live in a healthy and clean environment (Clause 1 of Article 30). The victim of environmental pollution and degradation shall have the right to be compensated by the pollutant as provided for by law (Clause 2 of Article 30). It prescribes for the State to give priority to the protection of the environment and prevention of its further damage due to physical development activities. Proceeding from, and conformable to, the Constitution, the Government of Nepal has passed a series of environmental laws, policies and implementing regulations and standards. Among these, the basic legislation that provides the framework within which environmental assessment is carried out in Nepal.

National Environmental Policy, 2076 BS (2019 AD)

The policy has versioned for the management of pollution, waste maintenance of greenery to ensure people's right to live in hygienic and healthy environment. Similarly, the policy has objective of mainstreaming the environmental concerns in developmental activities. It has emphasized to promote reuse and recycle of the waste. To prevent, control and minimize the pollution has proposed following policies and strategies:

- Efficient structure will be formed to prevent, control and minimize the pollution
- Promotion of environment friendly vehicles.
- Waste segregation as well as promotion of reuse and recycle technique similarly, proper disposal of the remaining solid waste has to be ensured.
- To maintain the hygienic aquatic environment direct release of polluted water, sewage and solid waste to the water body will be prevented.

While managing the solid and liquid waste, appropriate mitigation measures will be imposed to the source and minimize the potential adverse impacts on downstream area.

Third Three Year Interim Plan/14th Periodic Plan of Nepal (2073/74 – 2075/76)

The interim plan provides the most recent guidance for development sector priorities highlighting, in particular, the need of environment friendly planning and technology. It proposes the strategies also for internalization of environmental management in development projects. It calls also for a stronger partnership among developmental agencies, including the local stakeholders, for implementation of environmental activities.

National Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Policy, 2009

The policy is formulated to provide the overall policy support and guidance towards achieving equity in service delivery by ensuring that the financially marginalized households within the system areas are mainstreamed as valid customers of service through design and implementation of financial incentives where so required. It aims to ensure that the roles and responsibilities of central and local gray frament bodies, external development partners, private

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sector including NGOs and user groups are clearly defined in scheme implementation and regulation and performance management in accordance with national decentralization policy.

Land Acquisition, Resettlement and Rehabilitation Policy, 2015

The policy is based on the principles that the assessment of land requirements needs to be carried out based on the alternatives having minimum impacts of land loss, and also the need of resettlement and rehabilitation works to ensure livelihoods of the affected persons and family is improved or at least restored at pre-project level. It also indicates the need to conduct social impacts assessment to identify impacts on affected people, community and vulnerable group, In case of Land acquisition and ownership transfer, land can be acquired also through voluntary donation which will be accepted only if the land provider has agreed without any pressure, and in presence of local authorities to donate land for the purpose. On the humanitarian ground, the policy also bases on the value that for revenue generating project, the project should create conducive situation in which the benefits generated by the project can be drawn-out to the affected people.

National Forest Policy (2075 BS)

The policy focuses on coordination and partnership between all the three levels of government in Nepal - the federal government, the provincial government and the local government for sustainable and participatory management of the forests, protected areas, watersheds and biodiversity. Conservation of the forest area and its multiple utility has been taken as one of the eleven objectives of the policy. Active role of the local government in forest management and compensatory planation works have also been pronounced in this policy.

3.10.2 Nepal's Environmental Legal Frameworks

Environment Protection Act (EPA), 2054 B.S. (1997 A.D), which requires a proponent to undertake IEE or environmental impact assessment (EIA) of the proposed project and have the IEE or EIA report approved by the concerned sector agency or Ministry of Forests and Environment (MoFE), respectively, prior to implementation. The EPA: (i) sets out the review and approval process of IEE and EIA reports, that involve informing and consulting stakeholders; (ii) stipulates that no one is to create pollution that would cause significant adverse impacts on the environment or harm to public life and health, or to generate pollution beyond the prescribed standards; (iii) specifies for the Ministry in charge of environment (currently the MoFE) to conduct inspection of approved projects to ensure that pollution prevention, control or mitigation is carried out according to the approved IEE or EIA report; (iv) provides for the protection of objects and places of national heritage and places with rare plants, wildlife and biological diversity; and (v) states that any person/party affected by pollution or adverse environmental impact caused by anybody may apply to the prescribed authority for compensation to be recovered from the polluter/pollution generator.

Environment Protection Rules (EPR) 1997 (and its amendments), define the implementing rules and regulations of the IEE/EIA process, elaborating the provisions in the EPA. The preparation, review and approval of IEE and EIA reports are dealt with in Rules 2 to 7 and 10 to 14. Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 list down the projects of activities that are required EE and EIA, respectively, as amended in 2007. Other environmental acts, rules, plans policies, guidelines that are relevant by of Water Supply and Severals Distry of Water Supply Wall Wan Water Supply and Several South

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to the project are presented in Table 3.15;

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Table 3.14: The Relevant Environmental Policies, Laws and Guidelines of Nepal

	Act/ Rule Policy/Law/Guideline	Year	rovisions	Remarks
	Labour Rules	2017 2018	The Act emphasizes OHS Policy; Safety & Health Committee; OHS arrangements including child care center; workplace safety; environment of work place; and specific Labour Audit Additional rest period for certain female employees, Specific provisions relating to the safety of the works having health hazards are also there in the Act	
	Water Resources Act	2049 B.S. (1992 A.D.)	A comprehensive law on the development, use and conservation of water resources in Nepal, it aims to minimize damage to water bodies by requiring the conduct of EIA & preparation of EIA Report before granting license to use water resources for any purpose.	
or and or a state of the state			Proponents shall make sure that the beneficial use of water resources does not cause damage to other water uses/users (Article 4). Article 17 requires proponents to apply for any necessary land acquisition accordingly;	
5 27 38			Article 18 requires the compliance to quality standards in making use of water resources. Article 19 prohibits the pollution of water resources. Under the Act are two regulations for drinking water purposes: (i) Water Resources Regulation, 1993, setting out the implementation procedures for the Act; and (ii) the Drinking Water Regulation, 1998, which specifies compliance with the drinking water quality standards and control of water pollution (or sanitation) as it affects drinking water.	
	Forest Act	2049 B.S. (1993 A.D.)	The Act prohibits the extraction of boulders, rocks, pebbles, sand or soil from national forests, defined as all forests, excluding private forests, whether marked or unmarked with forest boundary, to include waste or uncultivated lands, or unregistered lands surrounded by the forest or situated near adjacent forests as well as paths, streams rivers, lakes, riverine lands within the forest.	No trees will be cut. EMP stipulates no illegal quarrying of natural aggregate materials.
	National Environmental Policy and Action Plan. (NEWA)	2049 B.S. (1993 A.D.)	Of its five objectives, most relevant to the Project are to: (i) mitigate adverse environmental impacts; and (ii) safeguard national & cultural heritage & preserve biodiversity, within & outside protected areas.	Project will not have significant impacts on physical cultural heritage & biodiversity. EMP provides measures to mitigate some of the possible impacts.
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Act/ Rule Policy/Law/Guideline	Year	Relevant Provisions	Remarks
National EIA Guidelines	2050 B.S. (1993 A.D.)	Chapter 3 of this guideline described an Initial Environmental Examination report must be prepared for those projects which may cause significant impact on environment, whose impact may be known easily and for which mitigation measures may be revealed easily, as mentioned in Schedule-1.	EMP prescribes environmental impact and mitigation measures and their performance monitoring.
Local Government Operations Act	2017	The Local Government Operation Act, 2017 empowers the local government for the conservation of local natural resources and implementation of environmental conservation activities along with prime responsibility of conducting development projects which includes water supply, sanitation and awareness activities. Provides basis for Local Government to monitor the environmental performance of the projects. EMP provides the responsibilities of LGs in EMP implementation.	
Child Labor Prohibition and Regulation Act	2056 B.S. (2001 A.D.)	The section 3 of the act prohibits a child from engaging in work, sub clause 1 of the clause 3 states "Nobody shall engage in work a child who has not completed fourteen years of age as a labor and sub clause 2 states "Nobody shall engage a child in a risk full occupation orwork set forth in the Schedule". The section 4 states "Child not to be engaged in work against his will by temptation or fear or pressure or by any other means"	
Implementation Directives for the National Drinking Water Quality Standards	2063 B.S. (2005 A.D.)	It sets out the water sampling, testing, analysis, monitoring and surveillance procedures to certify that the quality of supplied drinking water conforms to the National drinking Water Quality Standards.	Monitoring of the quality of supplied water is prescribed in eth EMP following the NDWQS Directives.
Updated 15-Yr 2067 B.S. Development Plan of 16069 (#0069 (Engineer	The Plan defines the population threshold of "small towns" to be in the range of 5,000 to 40,000. Reference to Schedules 1 and 2 of the EPR, as amended in 2007, places water supply projects in small towns under Schedule 1 or within the threshold of water supply projects in small towns under Schedule 1 or within the threshold of water supply projects. The Plan emphasizes monitoring and evaluation important component of a project to determine the overall impact of a face of the face	EMP prescribes environmental effects and performance monitoring.
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Act/ Rule Policy/Law/Guideline	Year	Relevant Provisions	Remarks
Solid Waste Management Act	2068 B.S. (2011 A.D.)		1
		Industrial waste rests upon the generators of such wastes, wantagement should be as prescribed in the Act. Article 5 provides that individuals and entities have the duty to reduce the amount of solid waste generated while carrying out work or business.	and hazardous wastes.
Forest Act	2076 BS	It stipulates that the GoN can develop a land use plan of a forest in order to maintain the balance of environment and development. It also provisions that the government can develope a specific forest conservation plan for a particular section of a national forest. It also states that the forest area can be used with approval for national priority projects.	
Environment Protection Act	2076 BS	The act emphasis on new aspects like provisions of Preliminary Environmental Study, IEE and EIA under the jurisdiction of local government, provincial government, and central government. Need of	
		Strategic Environmental Assessment for policies/plans/programs, and considerations of climate change for projects are among the newly enforced aspects of this act.	

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3.10.3 International Conventions

Nepal is party to the following international environmental agreements that have broad relevance to works and environmental assessment of works under the Project: (i) World Heritage Convention, in 2036 B.S. (1978 A.D.); (ii) Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat (Ramsar Convention), in (2045 B.S.) 1987 A.D.; and (iii) Convention on Biodiversity, in 2050 B.S. (1992 A.D.); and (iv) Basel Convention on the Control of Trans boundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, in (2053 B.S.) 1996 A.D. The relevance of the aforementioned environmental agreements to the Subproject are on their emphasis for human activities (such as development projects) to: (i) take on/institute measures to protect the local, as well as global, natural resources and/or environment; (ii) prevent and/or reduce the causes of climate change; and (iii) anticipate and mitigate the adverse impacts of climate change. The country is also committed to the Sustainable Development Goals, the sixth goal of which is to "ensure access to clean water and sanitation for all" focusing on water governance and promotion of climate change adaptation.

The Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project does not and will not break or go against Nepal's commitment to these international agreements. It supports the country's effort to meet its committed target for SDG 6th.

3.10.4 Relevant Standards

Table 3.15 Relevant Environmental Quality Standards

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Ambient air quality	National Ambient Air Quality Standards, for Nepal, 2003	WHO Air Quality Guidelines, Global Update, 2005
Noise	National Noise Standard Guidelines, 2012	WHO Guideline Values on Noise Level
Drinking water quality	National Drinking Water Quality Standards, 2006	WHO Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality, Fourth Edition, 2011

^{*} For surface and ground water quality monitoring, the National Drinking Water Quality Standard shall be applied since these resources are used for drinking.



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3.11. Existing Conditions

3.11.1 Existing Water Supply

The existing Pragatinagar Water Supply System was constructed under WSSDO and handed over to WUSC in B.S 2065. The system partially covered by piped water supply system. There are two existing water supply scheme (Dhaberi & Singe scheme) which covers the part of the Rapti Rural Municipality. Both the schemes serve about 110 households and coverage is about 5% of the total households of the proposed project area. Although, both the scheme is working satisfactorily, the source used have limited yields to allow the extention of the service areas.

The existing water supply scheme covers parts of ward 5, 7 & 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality, which supplies water through nearly 390 private and community taps. The present water supply situation is not satisfactory. The town project areas have piped water system to serve some households and the remaining of the community depends upon springs and streams. The quality of water delivered through the existing system in the project area is not satisfactory. Treatment facilities are not provided.

3.11.2 Existing Sanitation Situation

Pragatinagar Town is declared ODF zone, the overall sanitation condition of the project are observed satisfactory. Most of the households in the core areas have permanent type of private latrine like water seal latrine and cistern flush latrine. Others have pit latrines and ventilated pit latimes. Public institutions and government offices have proper permanent toilets.

Poor drainage and cases of water logging have been reported in the project area. Institutional waste management system, and urban drainage systems are yet to be developed in the project area.

3.12 Size and Magnitude of Operation of Project

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The water supply system has been designed for a base year population of 12,043 for the year 2019. The system has been designed to tap ground water and using different water source points for a total design year population of 33,719 in 2039. The design is targeted to supply 24 hours continuous supply with potable water as recommended by NDWQS guidelines.

Three number of water reservoir tanks have been proposed at different locations considering in mind the elevation difference of the service area. The capacity of 200 cum & 450 cum overhead tank and 200 cum capacity of ground tank with total 850 cum storage capacity of reservoirs are proposed for the collection and storage of water. A total of 2.474 km of transmission mains and 66.069 km of distribution lines will serve household connection to 2406 households in the base year. Cose/oment of the Pa Moistry of Visited Service len of Mistay of Visital Services States Supply and Security Secur

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3.13 Description of the Project

3.13.1 Water source and water quality

The existing water sources in the project area are;

- a. Kalapani which serves ward 5; DTW: 16.57 lps (proposed)
- b. Pipari which serves ward 8; DTW: 3×14.95 lps (proposed)
- c. Dhaberi which serves ward 8; dry season tapping 2 lps (presently used)
- d. Singe which serves ward 8; dry season tapping 0.8 lps
- e. Dolai River; 75 lps (potential source)

Dolai River which flows through the project area form north-east to south-west (with discharge of 75 lps as measured during field study) could be one of the water source for the proposed system. Although this river is perennial, the flow in the river decreases considerably during dry season will be able to meet the demand of the service areas. Besides, the quality of water deteriorates considerably during rainy season thus by requiring extensive water treatment.

Water Quality Assessment

Certified laboratory was used to conduct chemical, bacteriological and physical tests of the ground water sources. Samples from source were collected on September 2017 and February 2018 for conducting laboratory analysis to test for other physical and chemical parameters with respect to the Nepal Drinking Water Quality Standard (NDWQS) guidelines for potable drinking water. The following table exhibits the finding with respect to the NDWQS.

Table 3.16: Water Quality Assessment

		. V 3 (1) (1) (1)		Observe	d Values	NDWQS.
SN	Parameters	Units	Test methods	Sept 2017	Feb 2018	Nepal
1	pH at 27°C		Electromeric, 4500 – H ⁺ B, : APHA	7.1	7.8	6.5 - 8.5
2	Electrical Conductivity	μS/cm	Conductivity Meter, 2510 B, APHA	510	357	1500
3	Turbidity	NTU	Nephelometric, 2130 B, APHA	<1	2	5
4	Total Hardness as CaCO ₃	mg/l	EDTA Titrimetric, 2340 C, APHA	271	212	500
5	Total Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	mg/l	Titrimetric, 2320 B,APHA	295	223	-
6	Chloride	mg/l	Argentometric Titration, 4500 – Cl⁻B, APHA	2.98	4.93	250
7	Ammonia	mg/l	Direct Nesslerization, 4500 – NH ₃ C APHA	0.17	0.05	1.5
8	Nitrate	mg/l	UV Spectrophotometric Screening, 4500 –No ₃ B, APHA	4.58	4.93	50
9	Nitrate	mg/l	NEDA, Colorimetric, 4500 – NO ₂ B, APHA	SO.02	0 0 5	-
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SN	Parameters	Units	Test methods	Observe	d Values	NDWQS,
10	Calcium	mg/l	EDTA Titrimetric, 3500 -Ca	85.77	60.92	200
11	Magnesium	mg/l	B &3500 -Mg B APHA	14.10	14.58	-
12	Arsenic	mg/l	SDDC, 3500 - As, C: APHA	N.D. (<0.01)	N.D. (<0.01)	0.05
13	Iron	mg/l	Direct Air – Acetylene AAS,	0.07	N.D. (<0.05)	0.3
14	Manganese	mg/l	3111 B, APHA	N.D. (<0.02)	N.D. (<0.02)	0.2

Source: WQ test reports, September 2017 and February 2018

3.13.2 Project Sub-Systems and Project Components

Pragatinagar Town Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project have been conceptulaized as a piped water supply system considering conjunctive use of ground source of water. Deep tubewells are propoased as source and the water table of the deep aquifer is expected to be around 120 m which is based on the scenarios of the tubewells installed in the west, northeast and east of the project area within the periphery of 4-5 Km. The project has two sub-systems as described below:

3.13.2.1 Project Sub-systems

Thus considering the topography, landuse, settlement pattern and use of existing facilities; two (2) water supply sub-systems based on decentralized distribution system are proposed and are briefly described below;

Kalapani System:

This is a pumping system. This system is proposed to serve northern part of Dolai River in Kohalwa-Jutpani, Kalapani, Singe, Paharwaha and Lathuwa areas of wards 5 and 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality. This system is designed to cater 9,442 permanent and 69 rented (total 9,511) population. The groundwater will be extracted through a tube well as water source. The water is pumped from tube well to the 200 Cum overhead RCC reservoir. The water from the overhead reservoir is supplied to the service areas through gravity.

Pipari System:

This is a pumping system. This system is proposed to serve southern part of Dolai River in Bijauri, Baraki-Sisahaniya, Jitpur. Pipara, Pipari, Pragatinagar and Kamal Road areas of wards 5, 7 and 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality. This system is designed to cater 23,952 permanent and 256 rented (total 24,208) population. The groundwater will be extracted through a tube well as water source. The water is pumped from tube well to the 170 Cum ground Receiveservoir. The water from the ground reservoir is pumped to the 450 Cum overhead RC conservoir so that sufficient head is available at the consumers' area. The water from the overficed reservoir is Maistry of Wald Street supplied to the service areas through gravity. Ment of Water Supply and Smith Man Mater Supply and Supplied Supplied to the Party and Supplied S

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The sub-system-wise population and its projects are provided in the table below;

Table 3.17: Subsystem-wise Population Projection

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	1344	y Year (2	017)	Bas	e Year (20	19)	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	ın Year 039)	
Distribution: System		opulation			Population	an ay ji.	: 51-25	ilation	Total
	Own House	Floating	Total	Own House	Floating	Total	Own House	Floating	
Kalapani	4214	34	4248	4526	36	4562	9442	69	9511
Pipari	7694	101	7795	8511	109	8620	23952	256	24208
Total	11908	135	12043	13037	145	13182	33394	325	33719

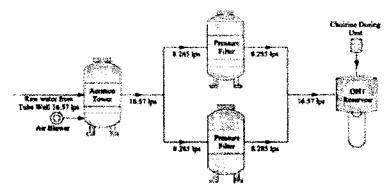
3.13.2.2 Components of the Project

The water treatment process has been selected based on the raw water quality. The proposed treatment process aims to remove the high concentrations of iron and turbidity present in the raw water. It also kills pathogenic organisms present in raw water and ensures the presence of residual chlorine to kill the pathogenic organisms during the conveyance of treated water in pipelines. The treatment process consists of lime dosing, aeration towers, pressure filters and disinfection with associated accessories likes air blowers/compressors, valves and pipes. The schematic diagrams of the proposed treatment plant are shown in the figure below;

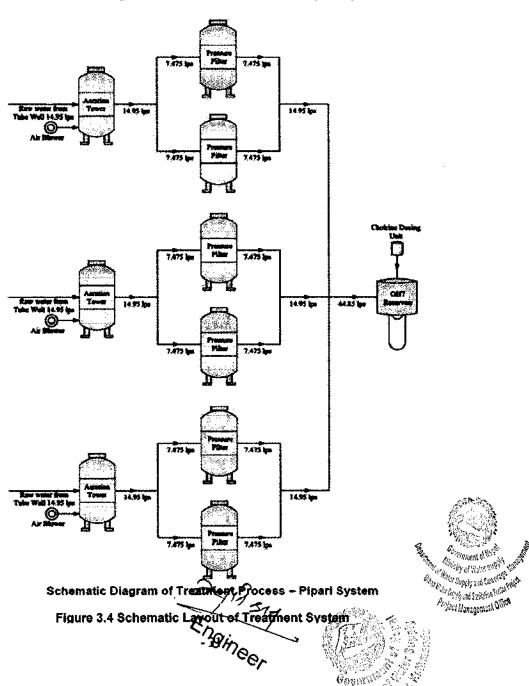




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Schematic Diagram of Treatment Process - Kalapani System



The project components are detailed in the sub-section below;

i. Transmission mains

The transmission main conveys the water from the tube well to overhead service reservoirs. Since the water is conveyed by pumping it is also known as pumping main. Pipe sizes are so selected that velocity of water within the pipes remain within the range of 0.5 m/s to 1.5 m/s. DI pipes are proposed to use in both the systems. The water is pumped from the tube well with sufficient head so that the water passes through the water treatment plant and delivers it into the ground reservoir/sump well. The water is then pumped again from ground reservoir/sump well to overhead reservoir. The total transmission main pipe length of the proposed systems is 2.474 km. Thrust blocks are also provided to restrain the pumping mains in both the systems.

Table 3.18: Transmission/ Pumping Main

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SN	Systems	Length of Pipes (m)
1	Kalapani	705
2	Pipari	1769
	Total	2474

ii. Service Reserviors

The service reservoir is required to store the water to meet the hourly fluctuation of consumers' water demand. This allows the peak flow in the distribution network. The total storage requirement for the system at the end of design period i.e. 2039 is calculated as 850 Cum. Existing reservoirs made of ferrocement are very small in capacity and have not been utilized in the proposed system.

The reservoirs will be constructed of RCC and is designed as overhead tank as the terrain suggests. However, a ground based reservoir of 200 Cum capacity has provided prior to the overhead reservoir in Pipari system so that the capacity of the overhead reservoir can be optimized. The following table summarizes the requirement of reservoir tanks for the various systems.

Table 3.19: Requirement of Reservoir

SN	Systems	Reservoir Size (Cum)	Туре	Remarks
1	Kalapani	200	RCC - OHT	Proposed
2	Pipari	450	RCC - OHT	Proposed
		200	RCC – Ground	Proposed
	Total	850		

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iii. Distribution Network

The distribution system comprises of pipe network, which consists of mainly loops and branch. The water is supplied from the service reservoir to the consumers by the distribution pipe network. This network is analyzed using EPANET 2, a design analytical software tool. Distribution pipes are laid both sides of the all metalled and major roads. Single line pipes are proposed in earthen and other roads. HDPE pipes are predominantly used. Pipe of class and size lesser than 6 kgf and 50 mm is not proposed. Existing pipes will not be used as these are leaking and found substandard (class of 4 kgf). The length of the distribution network pipes proposed for various systems is shown in the table below. The total distribution pipe length of the proposed systems is 66.093 km.

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SN	Systems	Langth of Pipes (m)				
1	Kalapani	29637				
2	Pipari	36456				
	Total	66093				

Table 3,20: Distribution Pipe Network

iv. House Connections

The system has been designed, predominantly as house to house connections. The system has been analyzed for a design capacity of providing a total of 6981 house connections at the end of design period. However, initially during construction phase, only 2406 house connections are provided to satisfy the need for the base year population.

v. Appurtenances

These will primarily comprise of valve chambers in flow control valves for controlling flow in the pipeline. Altogether 125 valve chambers and 25 pipe valve boxes are expected in the system. Other appurtenances as air valves, scour valves, fire hydrants will be provided at suitable locations. Some road crossing has been initially provided. This will also facilitate for less road cuttings during the operational phase

vi. Guard House:

There is no guard house in the existing systems. Two guard houses are proposed in the Pragatinagar Urban Project, one each for Kalapani System and Pipari system. These guard houses are to be located at the reservoir sites. The guard house is one storey building with a guard room, toilet and bath room.

vii. Office Building:

There is no office building in the existing system. Thus new one is proposed to accommodate the required facilities like water quality testing laboratory, billing counters, managers from

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meeting hall and store room. The building will be of two storeys. The ground floor coverage will be around 1700 square feet.

O&M Equipment and Tools viii.

An assessment was done for the needed items. The UWSSP has also some guide lines on it, Besides the following equipment have been also considered in the project so that project works during construction period and for operational activities are effectively carried out.

- a) Leakage detecting equipment- 1 set
- b) Submersible sludge pump- 1 no
- c) Electro-fusion machine for joining the HDPE pipes including portable Generator 1 set
- d) Water quality testing laboratory equipment 1 set
- e) Other Tools and Plants like: electric pipe cutters, pipe wrenches etc.

Sanitation Improvement

This component comprises waste water management, solid waste management, etc and is described below:

a. Individual Household Toilet Improvement

It was learnt, some of the households have prepared pit latrines with bamboo, shrubs cover. The wall of pits is not found properly protected. Similarly toilets as such were also found made temporarily e.g. from bamboo, wooden post etc. Thus training programme in association with local bodies will be carried out for the proper construction of local material eg, cement plaster in bamboo woven to make wall, strengthening pit wall by locally available stone, use of RCC rings and cover and its molding methods etc. Accordingly awareness campaign is also carried out regarding public sanitation and health.

Design of Low Cost Latrine for Low Income Household

There are a few types of latrines that may be adopted for low income household and range from pit latrines to septic tank latrines. The type of latrines the people will construct depends largely on the financial capacity of the consumers. The other factors as culture, tradition of the people, ground condition, climate and availability of space also play a vital role. There are three distinct income groups in the project area. People with higher income tend to build better sanitation facilities with more contribution, people with medium income like to improve but with little contribution while low income people want to have latrines constructed but do not want to contribute.

(xi) Land Availability for Project Components

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All the structural components of the project will be built on the land acquired by the WUSC. These lands are selected on the basis of technical feasibility and this kept in mind that potential environmental impacts are minimized. The distribution lines will be through the RoW of public roads. Around 5,052 square meters of land is required for the project components, which is a very small portion (around 0.07%) of the total area of the project service area.

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Table3.21: Land Requirement Site and Proposed Structures for the project

8.N.	Component				
1.	Kalapani System	-Bore hole - Lime Dosing Unit - Aeration Tower - Pressure Filter - Sump Well - Generator -Tubewell-1 -Tubewell-2 -200 Cum OHT -Operator / Guard -House	832+181.53=1,013.53 Sq.m 675.05 Sq.m	Kalapani Community Forest Kalapani Community Forest	-Kalapani Community Forest Users Group has given permission to use 4 kattha land (Annex-2)
2.	Pipari- Chowk System	-Bore hole - Lime Dosing Unit - Aeration Tower - Pressure Filter -Tubewell	1,174.25 Sq.m	Shankar Community Forest	Shankar Community Forest Users Group has given permission for use of 1 kattha land
3.	Pipari (Shivamand ir)	-Bore hole -Lime Dosing Unit - Aeration Tower - Pressure Filter - Sump Well - Generator Operator /Guard House - Office Building -Tubewell -450 Cum OHT -Bore hole - Lime Dosing Unit - Aeration Tower - Pressure Filter	1083.41 Sq.m	Shiva Mandir and Shankar Secondary School	Shiva Mandir Management Committee has given permission for use 2 Kattha10 Dhur land and Shankar Sec. School has given consent for use of 10 Dhur land
4.	Sanitation	Public Toilet with capacity of 100 users at Service Centre	763.20 Sq.m	Government owned land	Received land used permission letter.
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3.14 Proposed Schedule of Implementation

The exact schedule for implementation of the project will be known after the work has been assigned to the contractor. It is proposed that the project's construction period will be of 18 months. For the feasibility study, detailed engineering design study and construction, three years period has been assigned. Therefore the base year for the project has been assumed as the year 2019 and considering design period as 20 years the design year has been taken as the vear 2039.

The main task associated with the project will be as follows:

- Detailed Engineering Design & Preparation of its report
- Preparation of Working Drawings
- Preparation of Quantity and Cost Estimates
- Carrying out of Economic and Financial Analysis and level of Water Tariff
- Preparation of Socio Technical Profile
- Environmental Study of the Sub Project Area
- Preparation of Tender Documents
- · Awarding of Contract
- Construction
- Operation and Maintenance

The project has been designed with the principle of active community participation from the design stage itself. The implementation strategy of the project is based on the community management approach, which includes encouraging the financial responsibility towards the improved facility. Therefore, user participation at the outset of the planning and design exercise is an essential requirement. The community has to contribute 50% of the total construction cost. Out of which 5% has to be deposited before implementation of the project as upfront cash. Another 35% - 45% to be contributed taking the loan from TDF. The loan should be recovered within the time frame of 15 years with 5 years of grace period, along with the interest of 5% per annum through their affordable water tariffs. Tariff raised by the service has to support towards maintenance of the supply system of the water supply system. DWSSM is acting as the initiator/coordinator for the purpose.

3.15 Construction and Operation Activities of the Project

The construction phase will include following activities;

- Excavation and surface clearing activities
- Boring, and earthworks for construction of treatment plant/reservoirs and pipeline extension
- Trench works for pipelaying works will be 90cm deep
- Machinery works like cutting of iron-rods, mixing of concrete
- Manual works assisted by equipment use; like masonry casting, pipeline laying, plumbing Anthon of Water Supply and Services

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- Transportation activities for construction materials
- Stockpilling of construction materials/fuel

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- Spoil disposal as there will be generation of around 1,000 m³ of spoil
- Temporary construction facilities like campsite, rented rooms for constructor's and consultant's teams, and stockpile site for construction materials are required for the construction phase of the project.

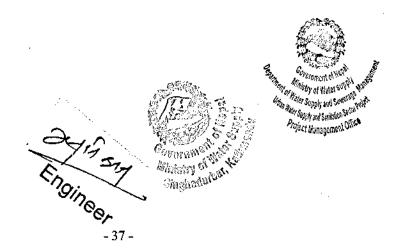
The operation phase will include following activities;

- · Operation of electrical pumps/DG sets
- Disinfection of water using Bleaching powder
- · Water Quality Laboratory operation
- Backwash of treatment plant
- Disposal of effluents/slurry.

3.16 Community Participation and Ownership

One of the major financial objectives of the project is to encourage the financial responsibility of the consumer for the improved facilities by requiring co-financing of 30% of the capital cost of water supply, with additional 30% cost recovery of the loan funds for the construction. Up front cash is 5 % of total cost.

There are quite a few clubs and local NGOs in the project area doing social programs. They will be effective for future use especially in awareness generating programs provided they are given training. School children and community social workers will be used in awareness generating programs. Commitment for contribution and participation is found high for the project. All surveyed household samples are willing to contribute for the development of the water supply project. The works of collecting cash is already commenced. During the field visit, contribution aspects were also discussed. It has been said that there would not be any problem for collecting cash from the community.



4. IMPACTS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSAL ON THE **ENVIRONMENT**

The potential impacts of the proposed Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project are physical, biological, and socio-cultural in nature. They can occur at various phases of the project such as design, preconstruction, construction and operation and maintenance phases. The magnitude of the impacts can be small, moderate, or high depending upon its severity, and can be temporary or long term, reversible or irreversible, local or wide. The impacts need not necessary be limited to negative ones but can be positive as well. The objective of Environment Management is to attempt to augment positive impacts and to minimize negative impacts by sustainable mitigation measures.

4.1 Beneficial Impacts and Augmentation Measures

4.1.1 Construction Phase

i. Employment Generation and Increase in Income

One of the major direct beneficial impacts of the water supply and sanitation project during construction stage is the creation of employment opportunity to the local community. As such for this work a total of 6,500 man-days of skilled labors and 43,000 man-days of unskilled labors person days are required. This will increase local income level and this will therefore increase economic activities and enterprise development with multiplier effect. In order to augment the impact, the local people particularly poor; dalits, ethnic minority and women will be given priority for employment and on-the-job trainings.

ii. Skill Enhancement

Although many people in the project area are found unskilled at present, the construction of the water supply system and the distribution network is likely to enhance their skills in plumbing, fittings and other construction works. Furthermore, the project will also give on job practical training to the workers which will enhance their technical skills. The skill and knowledge acquired from the project during construction will enhance employment opportunities of local people who can earn livelihoods from similar projects in the future. Workers especially pipe laying persons will be given on-the-job training on plumbing bathroom fittings, and other construction activities in order to augment the impact.

iii. Enterprise Development and Business Promotion

Most of the service areas of Pragatinagar town have mixed urban and semi-urban characteristics. During construction period, different types of commercial activities will come into operation in order to cater the demand and requirement of workers. As money flow begins, they will regularly demand different food items, beverages and other daily needs. To meet these demands, small shops and restaurants around the vicinity of the constitution sites are likely to open. At present, Bhalubang, Sishaniya, and Lahamai are the market place for selling green history of this less sure Teolog Water Supply and School Services

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vegetables. Similarly, people earn 20,000 to 45,000 Rs. yearly from milk production. Along with the implementation of the project, these avenues will also gain local market, and as economic status of locals will be improved, it will help in further expansion of these agro-businessess. This will increase local trade and business in the belt.

4.1.2 Operation and Maintenance Phase

i. Improvement in health and saving of time

After the water supply and sanitation project is complete, the people living within the project area will benefit from the supply of sufficient quantity and good quality water and improved sanitary conditions. Women and girl child will be directly benefited as they have to spend less time in fetching water and thus have more time for study, other household and income generating activities. The time savings of households is taken as time in collecting households' daily water requirements. It si estimated that every household will safe in average of 70 working days of time value after the service from the project has started. Table below shows the annual economic value to time saved based on shadow labour price.

Table 4.1: Economic Benefits from Time Saved in Collecting Water

Time Savings per Household per year (Working Days)	Shadow price of labor per day (Rs)	Economic Value: Benefit/year (Rs)		
70	350	24379		

Source: Socio-economic Survey 2017

This shows that in average, a household of service area will save time worth NRs 24,379 per year with the reduced time for water fetching after the implementation of the project. The impact will be augmented through regular maintenance of the water supply and sanitation system by the users group (WUSC).

ii. Development of Market center

The availability of good supply of drinking water will accelerate the rate of development of Pragatinagar as a leading market centre. The project area already has 3 banks, 8 micro-finance institutions, 5 private clinics, and some governmental & educational institutions. The implementation of this project will attract more of investments. The local agricultural products, human skill and new economic avenues will be promoted in the local markets.

iii. Appreciation of Land Value

One of the benefits of the project is that land price will increase due to the availability of reliable safe drinking water and sanitation system. The unavailability of good drinking water could be one of the reasons for some persons to opt for conducting their business in the project area. Upon completion of the present project, migration from nearby hills is expected. In order to promote land development in the area, the local people will be aware that high walue lands are acceptable to the banks and microfinance institutions to provide loans for their to start their own economic/social ventures.

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iv. Women Empowerment

Women will largely benefit from this project, as they are the ones who spend a great deal of time in fetching water. With the operation of the water supply scheme, time will be saved. As contaminated water can lead to diseases the women of the family also have to spend a good deal of their time to care for the sick family members. With the improvement of water supply, there will be marked reduction in the occurrence of infectious disease in the area. This will provide more time to spend on other economic and social activities leading to empowerment. In order to augment the impact, the water supply system will be regularly maintained so that it operates smoothly and health and awareness programmes will be given to the local people

v. Quality of Life Values

The project is not expected to adversely affect any cultural or recreational resources but will increase the existing quality of life values due to improvement in personal, household and community hygiene practices and health. It is estimated that the delivery of clean drinking water through the projects will reduce health expenditures by 25%. The project will help to enhance the quality of life of people in many ways, like by providing opportunities for jobs, providing good quality water, and improved sanitation & hygiene practices.

4.2 Adverse Impacts

4.2.1 Pre-construction Phase

The pre-construction works involves field survey and investigation, development of design & detailed drawings, carrying out cost estimate etc. This also includes discussion with WUSC and revision of design if necessary. As there will be no construction activities involved; there will be no construction related adverse impacts. The Rapid Environmental Assessment (REA) Checklist for water supply and sanitation was used to identify potential impacts/issues/concerns of the project as per design. REA identified the issues and concerns that were considered during design phase are listed in Table 4.2 below;

Table 4.2: REA Identified Impacts & Mitigation Measures Taken During Project Preparation Phase

REA identified Impacts/Issues/Concerns	Measures taken during FS/DED to mitigate impacts/issues/concerns				
Unsatisfactory raw water quality	During the detailed engineering design stage, water sample from existing tubewells was tested. This information has guided design of water treatment.				
Delivery of unsafe water to the distribution System	Design proposes basic treatment using pressure filter, softening and disinfection. This IEE proposes "hands on" training by a licensed & accredited laboratory for the first few years of operation under the Water Safety Plan included in the project design & continuing training thereafter.				
Health hazards arising from inadequate design of facilities for receiving, storing and handling of CI & other chemicals	Design has included a "housed" dosing unit.				
Delivery of water to distribution system which is corrosive due to inadequate attention of feeding of corrective chemicals	Design has proposed DI, and HDPE pipes. The PE pipes of class 6kgf is chosen to award and leakage issues				



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and other environmental receptors from household and public toilets	The design of toilets includes septic tanks that are designed as per national standards and codes to allow for maximum retention of septage. This includes ensuring septic tanks are sealed and water tight. Toilets will be established at least 30m down-stream of the drinking water source.
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4.2.2 ConstructionPhase

4,2.2.1 Physical Environment

I. Erosion and land surface disturbance

Around 3,000 sq.m. of land will be used for the project structures. Excavation and digging of trenches during construction may lead to erosion and caving thereby causing soil erosion, silt runoff, and unsettling of street surfaces. Topsoild may be lost, and this needs special care during construction period. Haphazard disposal of the excavated earth can disturb the local land surfaces. These activities will cause nuisance and discomfort to the locals. Forest area of Kalapani area, Pipari area, Kohalwa-Jutpani area, Baraki-Sisahaniya area and Kamal road area are some of the places where these disturbances can occur.

Though there is very little intervention on the forest or agricultural land, at some places laying of pipelines may need short term interventions in agricultural land parcels, and in open lands of forest.

ii. Underground Water Quality and State of Water table

Due to the continual extraction of ground water, there will be fluctuation in ground water level. As the water is proposed to be extracted from the depth of about 120m, below the impervious strata, there shall be insignificant effect to the existing shallow tube wells which are generally at the level of 10 to 15m.

iii. Damage to the Existing Facilities

During the construction time, while excavating the earth, existing water supply distribution pipe lines and telecommunication cable may get damaged in few places particularly in the bazaar area in spite of great care. A repair team will be on standby for the repair of water supply pipe line for immediate repairs. Such damages are likely at Kohalwa-Jutpani area, Baraki-Sisahaniya area and Kamal road of the project service area.

iv. Air pollution and Noise nuisance

The construction activity will comprise of construction of deep tube wellsand taying of transmission and distribution pipes, construction of storage reservoirs, construction of office building along with generator & guard houses, and transport & installation of purpose. Most of the works do not involve heavy machines except in constructing deep tube well which will produce some extent of noise for a certain period of time. There will be some activities such as

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Covernos Ministry of Singhadulous transportation, loading/unloading of construction materials viz. sand and aggregates, stockpiling of construction waste and construction materials and earthworks. These will cause effect into air quality due to dust generation and vehicular emission as well as noise pollution.

Impact on water bodies

There will be some impacts on water bodies located within the project area during the construction phase. Possible activities, which may influence the water quality, are listed below.

- Washing of vehicles, and other washing activities directly on local surface water bodies,
- Sediment and excavated materials may be transported to the water bodies due to rain,
- Leakage and disposal of oil and grease from construction equipment

Waste Disposal vi.

Haphazard disposal of solid waste from workers' campsites in the vicinity of water bodies and at open spaces could be a concern. Chances of open defecation by outside workers will also be a concern to local environment. Construction waste from campsites and construction sites are also sometimes disturbing the local environment. Assuming that per capita waste generation of a worker is 0.25 kg/day, and expecting that there will be around 45 persons in a campsite including the labourers, helpers and supervisors, it is expected that there will be generation of around 11.25 kg of waste per day. Though this waste is not a big volume, if not managed, it will deteriorate the local environment.

4.2.2.2 Biological Environment

The service area falls in a built up area with agricultural land with sparse forest areas. Only minor impact on vegetation is anticipated and that is also only during the construction period. The source of water of Kalapani system is located within the forest area. Thus, some vegetation cover loss will be there. However, site has been selected to avoid any tree cutting. Open land parcels of Shree Kalapani Community Forest, and Shree Shankar Community Forest are proposed to be used. Most of the pipelines pass along the roadside and only a few numbers of plants and bushes have to be cleared up within the transmission pipe line stretches. The potential environmental impacts of the project on local flora and fauna during construction and post construction phases will be low as it involves no tree felling along the distribution line, and no loss of agriculture lands. Some of the impacts that may likely to occur are described below;

i. Loss of vegetation cover

The loss of vegetation cover due to earthwork primarily in the direct impact area of the treatment plants and deep tube well sites includes shrub clearance only. The source of water of Kalapani system is located in the forest area of ward number 5 of Rapti Rural Municipality. Thus, some vegetation cover loss will be there. Some of the topsoil and vegetation may also be lost during pipe laying works. The project components require a very small area of land for implementation and environmental impacts on the vegetation and natural eco-system do not seem to be Continue of Water Supply significant.

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ii. Impact on Fauna

The project site is within the built up area except for some sites like the deep tube well sites. Population dynamics of resident and migratory birds and reptiles at the some project sites may be affected during the construction period due to various construction activities. But these effects will be of temporary in nature. The condition will be normal after construction is over. The workers should not be allowed to hunt birds

iii. Impact on aquatic life

Some of the construction activities and protection works are proposed at the bank of the river. Dolai river, which flows through the project area form North to South, and Bhulke Khola and Gopi Khola river are the surface water sources that face risk of pollution due to project activities. The construction activities will physically disturb the water quality for a certain period of time and may cause adverse impact on aquatic life. But these effects will be temporary in nature and local in scale.

4.2.2.3 Socio-economic Environment

i. Disturbance to community activities

Construction activities, particularly construction works on roads will cause disturbances to the community activities, festivals and social events. The free movement of vehicular traffic and pedestrians will be affected. Noise produced due to the operation of machines may disturb the neighbourhood in construction areas. Kalapani area, Pipari area, Kohalwa-Jutpani area, Baraki-Sisahaniya area and Kamal road area are some of the places where these disturbances are likely to occur.

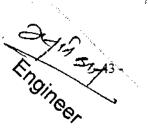
ii. Crop Loss

It is estimated that around 500 m of pipelines may need to pass through agricultural land at different stretches. The project team will chose the timing of laying of pipelines in consultation with the locals so as to avoid any loss of crops. However, some unavoidable cases may be there as the laying of pipelines may continue for over six months.

iii. Social Dispute and Dissatisfaction

There will be influx of outside workforce. Any non-social or uncoordinated activities by these workforce can cause problems with the local community. There is a possibility of social dispute in the community due to irresponsible behaviour of the workers such as gambling and drinking. On the other hand, the local population may not get employment benefits from the project causing dissatisfaction and conflicts in the area.

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iv. Occupational health and safety (OHS)

Health and safety of workers, particularly of those involved in concreting, trench cutting, formwork and rebar fixing in the overhead tank is of prime concern. Accidents in the work places, cases of water borne diseases, occurance of communicable/water borne diseases, and exposure to risky working environment are the major OHS aspects.

v. Community health and safety

Since some of the construction works take place near the settlements, and the pipelaying works will be through the settlements, there are chances that the local people may face small accidental risks. This is critical primarily for chilredn and old-aged people. Chances of communicable diseases are also a concern. Stock-piles sites, spoil disposal sites and movement of vehicles for construction activities are some of the aspects of construction works which may pose threat to health and safety of the community. As per the public consultation, the community people also seem aware of this aspect in relation to the construction phase of the project.

vi. Resettlement, relocation and compensation issue

The major structures are to be constructed on public land or on land belonging to WUSC. Similarly, the distribution system network falls within the public property line/RoW. Therefore resettlement or relocation is not required. However some cases of loss of crops during pipelaying, damage to compound wall may arise. These will be avoided as far as possible.

4.2.3 Operation & Maintenance Phase

i. Risks from exposure to chemicals

Chlorine and Bleaching Powder are toxic and the workers will have to deal with it during the operation of the system. Ingestions, inhalations, application to body parts, especially to the eyes, nose, and mouth are of extreme hazard to the workers handling chlorine and bleaching powder.

ii. Impact on water bodies and aquatic life

The effluent produced from the periodic backwashing of the filter plant, if discharged directly to the river course may cause harm to the water bodies and aquatic life especially during the dry season when the flow will be less. Dolai river, Bhulke Khola and Gopk Khola river may be susceptible to such impacts.

As the backwash water mainly contains suspended solids a small pond of 20,000 litre capacity will be constructed for decantation and will be drained of to the river/ stream course.



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- To avoid the impact to aquatic life, the effluent and sludge should be disposed off only
 in designated areas and regular monitoring of the river or stream water quality should
 be done.
- Haphazard disposal of effluents and sludge from the treatment plant will not only be a
 nuisance to the public but also affect the aquatic life by eventually finding its way to
 nearby water bodies.

iii. Impact of use of diesel generators

Use of generators is foreseen to be likely. The use of diesel generators will have some noise nuisance, and air pollutant emissions. This will be a nuisance for the locals within the close vicinity. However, this impact has been predicted to be of low significance.

4.3 Indirect, Induced and Cumulative Impacts

4.3.1 During Construction

4.3.1.1. Indirect and Induced Impacts:

The vehicular movements that will be generated from the simultaneous construction of different components in different sites will create choke points at the narrow access roads and slow down mobility of people, goods and services, particularly in the market area. Coupled with disruption of economic activities and social services the local socio-economy may be negatively affected.

4.3.1.2. Cumulative Impacts:

There are no known ongoing or proposed large scale developments in Pragatinagar town as yet. Extension of the main road is propsed. Hence, cumulative impacts may arise in case of air pollution, and labour interactions.

Assuming all components are started simultaneously or almost simultaneously, without mitigation, cumulative impacts will be "significant" in magnitude during the peak construction period (about first four months of construction period). After this period, magnitude of cumulative impacts will lessen to "moderate" magnitude. The significant cumulative impacts would be dust, noise, road space limitation leading to slow mobility, access blocking, disruption of social services and economic activities, community and workers' health and safety hazards, generation of solid wastes and spoils.

4.3.2 During Operation

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4.3.2.1. Indirect and Induced Impacts:

The indirect and induced impact of a reliable and sufficient water supply would be increased generation of wastewater and sewage. If inadequately managed, this situation would lead to contamination of supplied water through leaks or broken pipes in the distribution system.

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With reliable and sufficient access to safe and potable water, the indirect positive impacts will be improved public hygiene and sanitation, leading to overall improvement in public health and quality of life. Enhancement measures include ensuring the quality of supplied water meets NDWQS through implementation of quality monitoring as prescribed in the EMP. Induced impacts of improved water supply system include rural-urban migration, more land conversion from rural to urban uses.

4.3.2.2. Cumulative Impacts:

The cumulative impact would be the increment in urban growth that will be driven by the availability of a reliable water supply system. The land use pattern will gradually be modifying towards urban settlements pattern which might reduce the available agricultural land.

4.4 Evaluation of the Impacts

The impacts are evaluated based on their impact levels, coverage of area and duration of the impacts. The evaluation will be used to emphasize the need to address the concerns. Magnitude, geographical extent and duration of impacts are defined below;

Magnitude: This can be low-L (minor), medium-M (moderate), and high-H (major), depending on the scale or severity of change.

Geographical extent: If the action is confined to the sub-project area, it is referred as site specific (Ss), if it occurs outside area but close to sub-project area, the extent of impact is local (Lc), if it occurs far away from the sub-project, it is referred as regional (R).

Duration: It can be short term (St - i.e. less than 3 years), medium term (Mt - i.e. 3-20 years), and long term (Lt - i.e. more than 20 years).

For the Impact evaluation the matrix method with numerical ranking is used for the quantitative ranking of the predicted impacts. The numerical scale mentioned in the National EIA Guidelines 1993 has been adopted for this sub-project. The numerical scale is as:

Magnitude		Extent		Duration	
High	60	Regional	60	Long Term	20
Moderate	20	Local	20	Medium Term	10
Minor	10	Site Specific	10	Short Term	05

The combined score up to 44 is termed as insignificant impact; 45.74 is termed as Significant and beyond 75 is termed as very significant impact. Following table supporting the evaluations Openment of Water Supply and Supp of the impacts; or Water Supply and Supply and Water Supply and Supply

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Impact on water bodies and aquatic life	Direct	L (10)	Lc (20)	Mt (10)	Insignificant (40)
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5. ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES WITH AND WITHOUT PROJECT

5.1 With- and Without-Subproject Alternatives

The project area is a major junction and booming market place. It lies in close connection to the East-West Highway. Though the trend of urbanization is increasing, the town is facing increased problems to water supply. The overall sanitary condition of the project area is reasonably satisfactory, but still improvements are required.

Doing nothing about these challenges would be allowing the project's rural municipality to further develop as "under-serviced" area, put the health of its residents and the general public at more risks, and worsen its living environment. This would impede: (i) further social and economic development of project rural municipality and (ii) Nepal's delivery of its commitment to SDG 6th to increase the proportion of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation. Hence, do-nothing or without-project alternative is not chosen.

5.2 With subproject' location alternative

The project area is a very needy area in terms of safe water needs. Strategically, the investment in water and sanitation in this belt will improve the overall socio-economic aspects of the Province as it serves as a market junction to the surrounding rural municipalities and it is located around 6 kilometers from Lamahi, and about 36km away from Ghorahi, the headquarters of Dang District.

The project components are selected at technically safe site where there is no social dispute as well. Minimization of loss of vegetation cover is also considered. Avoiding tree clearance and damage to cultivated land has also been considered in site selection.

Since the settlements in Pragatinagar are separated by Dolai river into North-western and South-eastern settlements, 2 separate District Management Areas (DMAs) are established. This is based on the principle of managing a large water network into a number of areas, typically of between 500 and 3000 connections, each established area having a defined and permanent geographical and/or hydraulic boundary. With other possibilities as well, the proposed subsystems will be a easy-to-operate and cost effective option for the scattered location of the settlements.

5.3 Alternatives Relative to Planning and Design

Regarding the source and its technology of water extraction, the proposed deep tube well as source is more sustainable. The project area has Dolai River which flows through form North to South of the project area. It has discharge of 75 lps (as measured in August 2017). Though this perennial river could have been one of the water sources for the proposed system the flow in the river decreases considerably during dry season and it will be able to meet the demand of the service areas. Besides, the quality of water deteriorates considerably during rainy season thus

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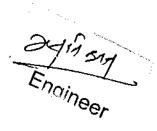
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requiring extensive water treatment. Hence, deep tube wells will be relatively more reliable and sustainable source technology.

The proposed system is a small scale project. Since the yield of the proposed deep tubewells is reliable, it is expected that the water supply will be smooth. The major component of a ground water based water supply system consists typically of boreholes with pumps, treatment unit, reservoirs and distribution system. It was assessed that the proposed water supply system with adequate treatment will have very small negative impact on the environment. However, there will be substantial improvement in personal hygiene thereby increasing the quality of life and community health. All water supply components will be constructed on the land owned by WUSC.

The work involved is labor intensive and minimum use of mechanical equipment is involved. Most of the construction work will be done manually, avoiding heavy equipment which will produce minimum environmental impacts. Trained human resources will be employed.

The working procedures proposed are participatory one and the beneficiaries will be actively participating in all the phases of the project. Except from some mechanical equipment for drilling of boreholes, most of the raw materials used will be local in nature. Similarly, as far as possible, local people will be employed for the project so that the chances of conflict are minimal.







6. MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS

Precautionary measures and the mitigations with respect to the project development activities have been considered, and are already metioned in section 4.2.1 and Table 4.2. This chapter focuses on the mitigation measures for the anticipated impacts during project's Construction Phase, and project's O&M Phase.

6.1 Construction Phase

Physical Environment 6.1.1

Eroslon and land surface disturbance i.

During execution of construction works, precautionary measures will be taken. Proper backfilling of excavated trenches will be done timely and the excavated soil will be stacked properly. Open land near the Pipari site is planned to be used for spoil disposal. Major construction activities will be avoided during the rainy periods.

The project area is agricultural belt, hence topsoil is very important. Efforts will be made to save the topsoil. The topsoil of about 20 cm thick will be placed at a separate place and the remaining excavation will be done. After placing the pipes in trenches and backfilling with other soil and compaction, the topsoil will be replaced to its original position and compacted.

Damage to the Existing Facilities ii.

Coordination has been done with the local authorities during the design phase in order to minimize the damage to existing facilities. However, for unavoidable cases, a repair team will be on standby for the repair of water supply pipe line for immediate repairs. To avoid any such damage, prior coordination will be established with other local authorities. Layout drawing will be at the site to avoid any kind of possible damage. Market and core settlements of Kalapani are likely to face such impacts. The premises of Shivalaya (Shiva temple) will be provided protection with provision of compound wall of around 25 m in length. This is to ensure that there is no disturbance to the visitors coming to the temple. The cost of this works has been proposed to be included in the BoQ of the contractor's contract document.

Air Pollution and Noise nuisance

Use of power horns and movement of heavy vehicles can cause disturbances to the community, educational institutes, hospitals/health posts and residences. Mitigating measures to reduce air and noise pollution are:

- Providing information to the public about the work schedule,
- Allowing the use of vehicles only complying with NVMES 2069 or vehicles having green stickers meeting Vehicle Emission Standards 2057 during project construction period,
- Limiting the speed of vehicles
- The use of power horns will be prohibited,
- Equipment and vehicles will be regular maintained,
- o Prohibiting the operation of plants and construction vehicles between 7 PM to 6 AM in residential areas.

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 Avoiding work at culturally sensitive times (during religious festivals) ndhe area),

- Increasing the work force in sensitive areas so as to finish the work quickly,
- Burning of solid wastes, particularly in workers camp and construction sites, will be banned
- Use of firewood as fuel will be prohibited in the work-camps.

iv. Impact on water bodies

So as to mitigate this potential impact, the worker's camp will be located away from the vicinity of water bodies. Disposal of debris and waste into Doali River, Bhulke khola, and Gopi khola will be totally prohibited. Regular monitoring of the workers camp will be scheduled. In addition to this, the excavated soil will be stacked. Backfilling of trenches will be done timely, and before the rainy season. Separate areas shall be allocated for the stacking of construction materials. Public land near the rural municipality office at ward 5 is proposed as a prime campsite and stockpile area. Wastewater generated from campsite will be collected in a settling chamber and from there the effluent will be sent to a soak pit, or used for water the gardens or orchard.

v. Waste Management and Disposal

Waste generated from the workers' camps will be properly disposed off. Organic waste like food waste and others will be used for composting. Pit composting and bin composting will be promoted. Inorganic waste will be collected in a bin. Reusables will be sold to local scrap collectors. Only the residue will be disposed off to sites designated by the local government. 3R Principles will be regulated. Regular monitoring of the workers camps will be carried out. Temporary sanitary toilets for the workers will be installed before starting the work. Waste like excess grease, lubricants will be collected in plastic containers and will be sold to scrap dealers. Solid waste and other construction waste will be deposited in designated sites near by the labour camp and will be cleared after the completion of the construction works. Spoil will be disposed at designaged sites for individual sub-systems. Public land with need of leveling has been identified at open space near the Pipari sites.

6.1.2 Biological Environment

i. Loss of vegetation cover

To protect the topsoil and vegetation, the topsoil will be kept separately and replaced in its original position after laying the pipes. Greenery promotion will be carried out in the user committee building premise and around treatment units. There is no need for felling of trees. However, for any unpredicted and unavoidable felling of trees, the compensatory plantation at the ration of 1:10 per tree cut will be carried out. Species of local demand like Kapur (Cinnamomum camphora), Tejpatta (Cinnamomum tamala), etc will be planted as per need under coordination with the WUSC and local authorities. Consent letters for use of community forest land for water supply works has been provided by the concerned user groups (Annex 4).

II. Impact on Fauna

The workforce will be sensitized on importance of wildlife conservation. Horns will not be used unnecessarily in the areas close to any wildlife sensitive areas. The workers will not be allowed to conduct any kind of hunting activities. Code of conduct will be developed, explained to the workers and will be implied strictly.

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iii. Impact on aquatic life

Washing of vehicles and clothes directly on rivers will be discouraged. Disposal of waste and spoil on to water bodies will be strictly regulated. Fishing by workforce in the local rivers will be strictly restricted.

6.1.3 Socio-economic Environment

Disturbance to community activities

In order to minimize the disturbance to the community activities, a detailed Traffic Management Plan will be developed by Contractor during the early stage of construction phase for areas along the construction works to minimize traffic flow interference from construction activities. Local public will be notified about project construction activities in advance and schedules, routings and affected areas including road closures will be shared well ahead of time and discussed with the locals. Sign-boards in Nepali and English languages will be placed at properly visible sites. Extensive coordination will be conducted with the School Management Committee of Krishna Secondary School which is near the sub-sytem component site of Kalapani. Placing of safety nets, barricades, signboards, etc will be discussed and prioritized in coordination with the concerned stakeholders.

ii. Crop loss

Compensation of crops will be provided if the pipe laying works damage standing crops in significant amount. This will be processed through User's Committee and compensation provision will be based on mutual understandings between the affected land owner and the User' Committee.

iii. Social Dispute and Dissatisfaction

Code of conduct will be developed and applied for the workforce. An employment policy will be prepared so that the local people may not be deprived of employment opportunities. Local people and women above the age of 16 will be given preference for employment. Wages will be settled based on DWEC (District Wage Evaluation Committee) with the list of employees.

Occupational health and safety (OHS)

To mitigate or minimize the health risks for workers and to avoid any health hazards of the workers, adequate safety instructions will be provided to the contractor and monitored by the project. Following mitigation steps will be taken;

 Health and hygiene in the camp site (against unsafe working conditions, accidents, transmission of communicable diseases etc) will be given top priority.

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- Regular health checkups, proper sanitation and hygiene, health care will be provided.
 Awareness programs concerning human trafficking and the possibility of spread of STDs and HIV/AIDS will be conducted during focus group discussions.
- Personal protection equipment (PPE) viz., safety helmets, safety belt, boots, gloves will be provided to all construction workers.
- The loss of life or any type of injuries will be compensated and insurance to the workers will be provided. First aid kits, standby vehicle, and fire extinguishers will be provided in camp sites.

To avoid risks from accidents on site due to the movement of the public and workers, health and safety measures of the contract will also prohibit entry at construction sites to the public and the area will be barricaded and warning signs will be placed.

6.2 Operation & Maintenance Phase

i. Risks from exposure to chemicals

The storage procedures, in-plant handling and dosages of chlorine (bleaching powder) will be addressed. Procedures and guidelines will be developed for its handling. These procedures and guidelines will be prepared by the contractor during the last period of construction phase and will be approved by the consultant. The cost will be included in the contract document itself. First aid measures will be introduced for emergencies. Training on the handling and on dosage of the chemicals will be given to the staff.

ii. Impact on water bodies and aquatic life

The measures to be taken are to mitigate the impacts are as follows;

- The effluent produced from the periodic backwashing of the filter plant, if discharged directly to the river course may cause harm to the water bodies and aquatic life especially during the dry season when the flow will be less. As the backwash water mainly contains suspended solids a small pond of 20,000 litres capacity will be constructed for decantation and will be drained of to the river/ stream course.
- To avoid the impact to aquatic life, the effluent and sludge will be disposed off only in designated areas and regular monitoring of the river or stream water quality will be done.
- Septic tanks will be built as per design of public toilets, and standard designs will also be provided to the household latrines.

iii. Impacts of operation of pumps and diesel generators

To mitigate the concern, under suitable condition governed by location of water source, the electro-mechanical components will be placed as practicably far as possible from the major settlements, say more than 200 meters far from the major settlement or market area. In addition to this, the specifications of pumps and generators have been worked out so as to meet also low noise and pollution emissions.



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6.3 Mitigation measures for Cumulative Impacts

Measures to mitigate the adverse impacts during construction phase are based on source based monitoring of pollution sources, and coordination among offices while working in communities.

Mitigation measures of potential impacts of land use pattern and rapid urban growth would be rational land use planning of the municipality and the district, incorporating environmental management for sustainable growth.

6.4 Implementation of Mitigation Measures

Most of the mitigation measures specified will be incorporated as part of the contractual obligations during the project construction and therefore will be integrated into the project design and tender documents. By including mitigation measures in the contract monitoring and supervision of mitigation implementation will be covered under the normal engineering supervision provisions of the contract. The mitigation measures implementation will be monitored through direct observation, records of contractors, consultation with people etc weekly or daily as required.

a. Project Design for implementation

For most of the adverse environmental impacts likely to occur during project construction and operational phase, mitigation measures will be integrated in the design of the project itself so as to strengthen the benefits and sustainability of the project. This will enhance the mitigation measures in terms of specific mitigation design, cost estimation of the mitigation measure, and specific implementation criteria. The proponent will ensure that the mitigations measures are included in the design of the project.

b. Project Contract

The project contract will clearly specify the mitigations measures that are part of the project construction and the contractor will be bound by the parameters identified in the environmental assessment pertaining to specific mitigation measures. The proponent will ensure the compliance of the proposed measures from the contractor and the final acceptance of the completed work will not occur until the environmental clauses have been satisfactorily implemented.

c. Bill of Quantities

The tender instruction to the bidders will explicitly mention the site-specific mitigation measures to be performed, the materials to be used, labour camp arrangements, and waste disposal areas, as well as other site specific environmental requirements.

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The environmental impacts related to different project activities and its corresponding mitigation measures are tabulated in Table 6.2;

Table 6.1: Impacts and Mitigation Measures

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able 6.1. Impacts and mitigation measures		Water quality sampling/testing, and its reconfirmation	Place water pipes away from existing utilities during design. Under unavoidable cases, identify and include locations and operators of these utilities in the detailed design documents to prevent unnecessary disruption of services during construction phase Consultation with local authorities, offices like Division Road Office Provide budget for restoration/replacement of damaged utilities, and require construction contractors to prepare a contingency plan to include actions to be done in case of unintentional interruption of services	Choosing of treatment unit with comparative analysis of the treatment options Preparation and implementation of WSP to be planned Design all reservoirs and structures under the project as per appropriate seismic resistance	Design has included a "housed" dosing unit. Standard operation methods has been prescribed in design	Obtain Letters of Approval and agreement for: (i) temporary acquisition/easements of land and properties; (ii) disruption of water supply and other utilities; (iii) requited permits from relevant authorities (e.g., Rapti Rural Municipality) prior to construction works; (iii) avoid tree cutting, and establish a requirement that if necessary, cut only trees that are marked and have been agreed from relevant authorities for removal; and compensatory tree plantation to be carried out at the rate of 25 saplings for each felled tree.
l able 6.1. Impa		Concerns over unsatisfactory raw water quality	Disturbance/damage to communities structures/facilities	Risk of tapping of contaminated water, and Seismic risks like cracking of reservoirs	Health hazards arising from inadequate design of facilities for receiving, storing and handling of CI & other chemicals	
	Detailed Design	Selection of water supply source	Design of alignment for pipe-laying	Designing of source/tubewells & reservoirs	Designing of treatment units	Second Second Control of the Second S

Construction			
Construct workforce camp establishment	Haphazard camps resulting in social stress and degradation of local environment	Establish workforce camps in designated sites only and in consultation with local community. All camps are to include sanitary facilities for men and women.	Civil works contract
Employment	Local people may be deprived of opportunities, minors may be employed	Employ local people (and women in jobs and follow core labor standards) Equal pay for men and women	
Transportation of materials	Traffic congestion and public annoyance	Prepare and implement traffic plans to prevent traffic jams and annoyances to the public in coordination with relevant local authorities and communities.	Civil works contract
Dumping of waste in the river Construction of toilets in the camps	Water and land pollution; and	Provide designated areas with collection bins for wastes. Provide toilet facilities and prohibit open defecation.	
Storing of materials in the project area	Spillage/leakage concerns	Prohibit washing of vehicles next to rivers and streams. Proper storage of construction aggregates, hazardous and toxic materials, lubricating oils and used batteries in safe areas and the proper segregation and disposal of chemical containers, packaging materials, plastic bags etc. Fuel and lubricants will be stored in containers over well concealed surfaces which are at safe distance from any water bodies. Absorbent pads/mats will be placed at the stockpiles, workshops and campsites to control seepage during accidental spillage.	contract
	OHS risks	Provide training to workforce on safe handling of toxic materials and OHS measures during construction.	Civil works contract
Movement of vehicles A	disting roadile.	Bust suppression on roads or at open sites by sprinkling water as required at regular intervals. Routine monitoring of dust (total suspended particulates) to meet air quality standards; and limit vehicle speed. See that vehicles comply with the National Vehicle Mass	Civil works contract 125,000
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Covering of stacked spoil and soil Limit the time of temporary stacking of construction materials in residential and market areas Stockpiles to be maintained only at designated sites	Monitoring of noise levels regularly at site to meet the noise standards. Fit mufflers in vehicles to control noise. Limit the speed of vehicles and decreasing drop-heights Regular maintenance of equipment. Compensate and repair damages caused by vibration during construction activities.	Maintaining the land surface Vegetation protection, greenery promotion Pipe-laying will be conducted in coordination with Division Road Office	Crop compensation under avoidable critical conditions Avoid tree cutting, Obtain necessary tree cutting permits Plant tree saplings at the rate of 25 saplings for each felled tree Greenery promotion	Prior to construction, hold community meetings to inform them of construction works. Distribute project information.	
	Noise and vibration	Land surface disturbance, Crop loss	Vegetation clearance	Disturbance to community Impacts to business activity including temporary relocation of vendors	Engineer
Stockpiling of construction materials	Movement of vehicles Operation of construction machineries and equipment Horn honking	Pipe laying			English Ka

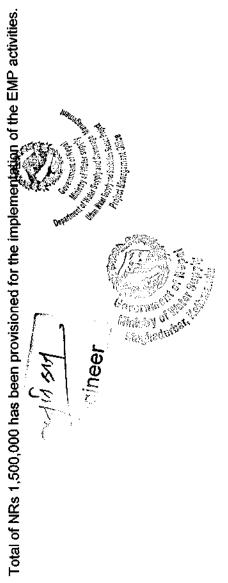
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Place WUSC phone hotline on signs in visible areas. Make community fully aware of grievance mechanism and provide contact info of PMO and ICG unit. Maintain access to avoid disturbance to residents and businesses by providing planks and leaving spaces for businesses and residents to maintain access. Manage traffic flows, conduct work at night where possible. Trenches open for only 1-3 days & works should be quickly completed. Avoid full street closure to fullest extent possible. Businesses losing income due to disturbance are compensated as per the resettlement plan. Temporary sites to be restored to natural and stable conditions as per agreement with land owner. Proponent report in writing that temporary areas have been vacated and restored to pre-project conditions before acceptance of the works Provide employment opportunity to the affected people to the extent possible Assist vendors in shifting prior to construction and to return to original location when construction is complete in relevant sections Avoid disturbance to tourist areas	Compensate or reinstate/relocate community assets that are disturbed such as irrigation canals, electricity poles, telephone lines, drinking water pipes, sewerage lines, roads, etc. to the satisfaction of the people. Avoid disturbance to any historic/heritage buildings or structures by taking necessary precautions (work away from any heritage buildings, hand digging, no heavy equipment, etc.)	Prohibit gambling and alcohol consumption in contractors' campsites. Instruct the outside workforce to respect the local cultures, traditions, rights etc. Provide security in contractors' camps, and Implement code of -59-
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		conduct for the workforce	
Project activities	Health and hygiene (unsafe working conditions accidents fire hazard	Ensure measures (fencing and/or barriers) to protect public from construction site. Provide regular health check ups. proper	
safety issues at work	transmission of communicable diseases etc.)	sanitation and hygiene, health care, and control of epidemic	
areas		diseases to the workforce.	
		Launch awareness programs concerning human trafficking and the possibility of spread of STDs and HIV/AIDS using	100,000
		brochures, posters, and signboards	
		Make available first aid kits, and fire extinguishers in campsites	Civil works contract
		Make available protection gears to all construction workers and	
		Provide insurance to the workers and training in OHS and	
		community health and safety.	
		Ensure all work areas are clearly demarcated and marked and	
		protect public from getting near to the trenches.	
		Provide alternate potable water supply during maintenance	
, woodstone		works and notify the public in advance.	
Treffic management at	Traffic congestion (temporary disruption to	Develop and implement a traffic plan and road safety plan to	
Construction sites	local access due to open trenches,	minimize traffic flow interference from construction activities	
	excavation across roads or road closures due	Coordinate with local authorities (police, municipality, local area	
	to construction).	committees, etc.) to manage traffic during construction period	
		Provide advance public awareness and public notification of	
	The state of the s	construction activities, schedule, routing, and affected areas	
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		Erect alternative routing signage in Nepali and English.	
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		Arrange for onsite "grievance handling" through use of liaison	50,000
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		paving as quickly as feasible	
Employment	Social disharmony: Sanitation issues, and	al conservation; WASH	100,000
opportunities, project	gender issues	trainings, social sareguards meetings	

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on of the	Health and hygiene (unsafe working	Provide regular health checkups, proper sanitation and hygiene,	WUSC to manage
	conditions, accidents, fire hazard,	nealth care, and control of epidemic diseases to the stan.	
Operation of treatment	transmission of communicable diseases etc.)	Make available first aid kits in worksites	
units		Provide insurance to the workers and training in OHS and	
		Community Health and Safety.	
Operation of the	Health risks due to contaminated water	Conduct regular monitoring of water quality from treatment	75,000
system		plants to ensure water delivered to public meets national	
		standards	
		Conduct regular O&M of the system; provide alternate potable	WUSC to manage
		water supply during maintenance works and notify the public in	for the provisions
		advance	
		Develop and Implement Water Safety Plan and promote	WSP cost is
		Hygiene Behaviours, Total Sanitation	incorporated in the
			Civil Contract



7. ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

7.1 Objectives of Environment Management Plan

The purpose of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) is to ensure that the activities are undertaken in a responsible, non-detrimental manner with the objectives of: (i) providing a proactive, feasible, and practical working tool to enable the measurement and monitoring of environmental performance on-site; (ii) guiding and controlling the implementation of findings and recommendations of the environmental assignment conducted for the project; (iii) detailing specific actions deemed necessary to assist in mitigating the environmental impact of the project; and (iv) ensuring that safety recommendations are complied with. This EMP will be included in the BoQ of the bid documents and will be further reviewed and updated during implementation. The EMP will be made binding on all contractors operating on the site and will be included in the contractual clauses. The contractor will be required conduct the Prior Site Assessment in regards to the safety and actual site conditions, and need to take records of site conditions before contractors mobilized to the site and start construction work. The contractor needs to prepare a site specific EMP by its own, and as per the EMP (S-EMP) of the IEE report. The contractor will have to submit the S-EMP to the RPMO/consultant, and needs to have approval of the same. A copy of the S-EMP and EMP will be kept at the project office of the contractor at all times. Non-compliance with, or any deviation from, the conditions set out in this document constitutes a failure in compliance.

The basic objectives of the EMP are to;

- to ensure that all mitigation measures and monitoring requirements will actually be carried out at different stages of project implementation and operation - preconstruction, construction and operation and maintenance;
- to recommend a plan of action and a means of testing the plan to meet existing and projected environmental problems:
- to establish the roles and responsibilities of all parties involved in the project's environmental management;
- to describe mitigation measures that shall be implemented to avoid or mitigate adverse environmental impacts and maximizing the positive ones;
- to ensure implementation of recommended actions aimed at environmental management and its enhancement; and
- to ensure that the environment and its surrounding areas are protected and developed to meet the needs of the local people, other stakeholders and safeguard the interests of the common people.

A Safeguard Unit within the project should be established and be headed by a senior environmental expert, a sociologist and a legal expert with adequate support staff.

7.2 Institutional Arrangement

The Ministry of Water Supply (MoWS) is the executing agency with responsibility of project execution delegated to the Department of Mater Supply and Sewerage Management (DWGSM)! The Water Supply and Sanitation Dwision/Sulp-division Office (WSSDOs) are the project implementing agencies. Water User's and Sanitation Committee is the Many of the of t Plementing agency.

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The key responsibilities of the executing and implementing agencies are as follows;

Prior to construction:

- The MoWS will depute a qualified staff to act as the Environmental Safeguard Officer of the Project management office (PMO).
- The MoWS will establish the grievance redress mechanism, including setting up the Grievance Redress Committee.
- The Water Supply and Environmental Division of the MoWS will be responsible for reviewing and approval of the IEE Report.
- The DWSSM will review the IEE Report prepared by the Design, Supervision and Management ConsultantTeam's Environmental Safeguard Expert (DSMC-ESE) prior to forwarding this to MoWS.

The DWSSM will prepare the ToRs for the Environmental Safeguard Specialist that will engage to support the PMO and for the Environmental Safeguard Specialists of the two Design, Supervision and Management Consultants that will be appointed to prepare the projects

7.3 Safeguard Implementation Arrangement

Project Management Office (PMO):

The safeguard officers (environmental safeguard officer and social safeguard officer) of the PMO will receive support from safeguards experts (environmental and social) of the DRTAC as specified below;

- (i) Confirm existing IEE/EMP is updated based on detailed designs and is prepared in accordance with the EARF and government rules;
- (ii) Confirm whether EMP is included in bidding documents and civil works contracts:
- (iii) Provide oversight on environmental management aspects of projects and ensure EMP is implemented by Western RPMO and the contractor;
- (iv) Establish a system to monitor environmental safeguards of the project including monitoring the indicators set out in the monitoring plan of the EMP;
- (v) Facilitate and confirm overall compliance with all government rules and regulations regarding site and environmental clearances as well as any other environmental requirements as relevant;
- (vi) Supervise and provide guidance to the RPMO to properly carry out the environmental monitoring and assessments as per the EARF;
- (vii) Review, monitor and evaluate the effectiveness with which the EMP is implemented, and recommended necessary corrective actions to be taken as necessary;
- (viii) Consolidate monthly environmental monitoring reports from RPMO and submit semi-annual monitoring reports to ADB;
- (ix) Ensure timely disclosure of final IEE/EMP in project locations and in a form accessible to the public; and
- (x) Address any grievances brought about through the Grievance Mechanism in a timely manner as per the IEE.

Regional Project Management Office (Western RPMQ):

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The regional DWSSM engineer and social development officer of the RPMO will receive support from; (i) the PMO safeguards officers (environmental and social); and (ii) the safeguards specialists (environmental and social), the social mobilizer and environmental management plan (EMP) monitor of the design, supervision and management consultant (DSMC) teams as specified below;

- (i) Prepare new IEE/EMP in accordance with the EARF and government rules;
- (ii) Include EMP in bidding documents and civil works contracts;
- (iii) Comply with all government rules and regulations;
- (iv) Take necessary action for obtaining rights of way;
- (v) Oversee implementation of the EMP including environmental monitoring by contractors;
- (vi) Take corrective actions when necessary to ensure no environmental impacts;
- (vii) Submit monthly environmental monitoring reports to PMO, and;
- (viii) Address any grievances brought about through the Grievance Redress Mechanism in a timely manner as per the IEE.

Civil Works Contract and the Contractor:

EMP is to be included in bidding and contract documents and verified by the PMO and RPMO. The contractor will be required to designate an environment supervisor to ensure implementation of EMP during civil works. Contractor needs to carry out all environmental mitigation and monitoring measures outlined in their contract. The government will ensure that bidding and contract documents include specific provision requiring contractors to comply with all; (i) applicable labor laws and core labor standards on (a) prohibition of child labor as define in national legislation for construction and maintenance activities, (b) equal pay for equal work of equal value regardless of gender, ethnicity or caste (c) elimination of forced labor; and (ii) the requirement to disseminate information on OHS to employee/s and local communities surrounding the project site.

Capacity Building:

The DRTAC safeguards experts (environmental and social) will be responsible for training the; (i) PMO's safeguards officers (environmental and social); (ii) RPMO's engineers and social development officer. Training modules will need to cover safeguards awareness and management in accordance with both ADB and government requirements as below;

- (i) Sensitization:
- (ii) Introduction to environment and environmental consideration in water supply and wastewater projects;
- (iii) Review of IEE and integration into the project detailed design;
- (iv) Improved coordination within nodal departments; and
- (v) Monitoring and reporting system. The contractors will be required to conduct environmental awareness and orientation of workers prior to deployment to work sites.

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Project Management and Quality Assurance Consultant (PMQAC):

The Project Management and Quality AssuranceConstituents (PMQAC) will provide support to the PMO in the following areas:

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- ensure that the quality of the designs and construction of all water supply and sanitation components implemented under the project are to the required standards; and
- assist the PMO with the overall planning, implementation and monitoring of the project during all stages of implementation including adherence to all environmental and social safeguards' requirements.

Water Users and Sanitation Committees (WUSC):

WUSC is the eventual operator of the completed project. The key tasks and responsibilities of the WUSC are, but not limited to;

Prior to construction

- Facilitate public consultation and participation, information dissemination and social preparation.
- Provide available data to the DSMC-ESS during the conduct of the IEE
- Assist in securing the tree-cutting permit and/or registration of water source.
- Participate in the capacity development program.

During construction

- · Assist in the observance of the grievance redress mechanism.
- Actively participate in the monitoring of Contractor's compliance with the IEE and its EMP and the conditions set out with Government's approval of the IEE Report.
- · Facilitate public interactions, as necessary.

During operation

- Implement the EMP and the Water Safety Plan.
- If applicable, actively work with the engaged licensed and accredited laboratory in water quality monitoring.
- Prepare the environmental monitoring report as per IEE.
- Ensure observance of the grievance redress mechanism.

Licensed and accredited laboratory

It is recommended that a licensed and accredited laboratory be engaged to conduct water quality monitoring in the first few years of operation and to train the WUSC on the same. The laboratory will ensure that while carrying out the water quality monitoring as prescribed in the National Drinking Water Quality Standard and its Directives, 'hands-on' training is provided to the WUSC

7.4 Environmental Management Plan

The mitigation measures for the potential impacts that are predicted in the Chapter 4 of this report need to be planned to be implemented at right time and to make it clear who does it. Its monitoring and its reporting is also very important. Thus this chapter will provide a mangament plan, and a monitoring plan. A total of NRs 15.0000 has been allocated for implementation of activities under this EMP. Table 7.1 below the chails EMP for this project;

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Table 7.1: Environmental Management Plan

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	Field	Impacts	Mitigations Measures	Responsible for Implementation	Monitoring Indicator	Frequency of Monitoring
	1. Prior to Construction Activities	ction Activities				
	Consents, permits, clearances, no objection certificate (NOC), etc.	Failure to obtain necessary consents, permits, NoCs, etc can result to design revisions and /or stoppage of works	- Obtain all of the necessary consents, permits, clearence, NOCs, etc. prior to start of civil works Acknowledge in writing and provide report on compliance all obtained consents, permits, clearance, NOCs, etc Inctude in detailed design drawings and documents all conditions and provisions if necessary	PMO, RPMO,&	Incorporated in final design and communicated to contractors	Prior to award of contract
	Existing utilities	Disruption of services	- Identify and include locations and operators of these utilities in the detailed design documents to prevent unnecessary disruption of services during construction - Require construction contractors to prepare a contingency plan to include actions to be done in case of unintentional interruption of services. - Require contractors to prepare spoil management plan	DSMC, RPMO	List of affected utilities and operators; Bid document to include requirement for a contingency plan for service interruptions (for example provision of water if disruption is more than 24 hours),	During detailed design phase
Orinking Supply Adding Supply	Drinking water supply s	Extraction of unsatisfactory raw water quality Delivery of unsafe water to the distribution system	Charles Charles	PMÖ, RPMO & DSMC	Incorporated in final design and communicated to contractors	Prior to award of contract
	Safrifiation (Toilets and Call)	Contamination of drinking water source and other environmental receptors from household and community toilets Risk to public and environmental health due to		PMO, RPMO, & DSMC	Incorporated in final design and communicated to contractors	Prior to award of contract

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November 2019	Frequency of Monitoring		During detailed design phase	During detailed design phase	During detailed design phase prior to mobilization of workers to site	
	Monitoring Indicator		List of selected sites for construction work camps, stockpile areas, storage areas, and disposal areas. Written consent of landowner/s (not lessee/s) for reuse of excess spoils to agricultural land	Contractor records. visual inspection	Record of completion (safeguards Compliance Orientation)	
	Responsible for Implementation		DSMC, RPMO	Contractor	PMO, RPMO and DSMC. Contractor's Environmental Supervisor	
	Mitigations Measures	practice and acceptable standards (e.g US EPA standards etc). This includes; (i) locating disposal pits at least 300m away from the nearest dwelling, and 30 m downstream of the drinking water source; (ii) pits are to be only established in relatively flat land with no more than 8% slope; and (iii) site selected for establishment of pits should not be where food crops are grown. The sanitation condition will be maintained to deter flies, mosquitos, and other vectors for breeding, free from odor and aesthetically pleasing. A proper septage management shall be developed and followed.	- Determine locations prior to award of construction contracts	 Mechanism of safe disposal will be developed in the project site before the actual commencement of work 	- Project manager and contractors should undergo EMP implementation including spoils management for construction works; standard operating procedures (SOP) for construction works as it is a method of identifying a work process and breaking it into the specific step by step procedure needed to successfully execute the process right from the beginning and result to greater quality via conforming to proven steps therefore, the written SOP provide instruction for the services as a benchmark for all completed; and how a work process is to be completed; health & safety (H&S), Labor Act therefore, and safety (H&S) and safety (H&S).	Project Land
	Impacts	inappropriate sitting and design of septage disposal pit	Disruption to traffic flow and sensitive receptors	Generation of solid waste, wastewater from labor camp and other construction waste may cause pollution	environment, workers, and community workers, and community and community and community	
	Field		Construction work camps, stockpile areas, storage areas, and disposal areas	Waste generation	EMP Implementation Training	Jeeu

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•	Topography	Excavation works may	Excavations works should be carried out only	Contractor	Records of potential areas	Monthly
	landforms, geology	degrade surface land state.	after approval from the Supervision Consultant		of soil erosion;	RPMO
		Impacts are possible in the	and after approval from the local authorities		transmission mains and	_
	river morphology	public land at Sidhanath tole	Soil erosion will be minimized by taking		distribution pipelines core	DSMC-ESE
•	and hydrology	beside the open space of	precautionary measures such as; excavated soil		area	
		Thapachaur where the core	will be reused and proper backfilling of the			
		construction works are	trenches will be done and the excavated soil will			
		planned.	be placed properly against erosion.			
			- Aggregates should be bought only from the			
		Aggregates use	authorized suppliers			
	Community facilities	Damage to existing facilities	- Existing infrastructure (such as water distribution	Contractor	List of any public or private	Weekly prior-
		(like drains, compound walls	pipes, electricity pylons, etc.) shall be relocated		infrastructure disturbed by	inspection to
		and pavements)	before construction starts at the project sites.		the proje project works	know if there
		An open shed built for	- Prior permission shall be obtained from			could be any
		selling of local agricultural	respective local government for use of water for		Minutes with the locals	sach cases
			construction. Use of water for construction works			
		/comper	shall not disturb local water users.			
		•	 If construction work is expected to disrupt, users 			As per need,
			of community shall be served 7 days in advance			field-inspection
			and again 1 day prior to start of construction.			if any such
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Carrie Walley	Water bodies and	Pollution of water bodies,	- All earthworks must be conducted during dry	Contractor	Water quality of the	Visual
	Water quality	contamination of water	season to maximum extent possible to avoid the		surface and ground water	inspection
		sources due to waste	difficult working conditions that prevail during		S	
		disposal, transport of	monsoon season such as problems from runoff.			DSMC-ESS on
		sediments, effluent disposal,	 Location for stock yards for construction materials 		of fuels	weekly basis
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		grease from construction	courses. P		materials;	Weekly field
	778	campsites ************************************	- Areas for fuels and lubricants away from any		Number of physical	monitoring, and
7			drainage leading to water bodies		measures (like silt traps	quarterly water
7	\		- Take all precautions to prevent entering of waste		installed along trenches	quality
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			 While working across or close to any water body, 			
		Market Branch Control	the flow of water must not be obstructed. Ensure			
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	season and moving large	stoc	stockpiles of aggregates at least twice daily, or as	Contractor	Number of complaints	inspection by	
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	create dusts and increase in	· Ifre	g of distrik		luipment s	DSMC-ESS on	
	concentration of vehicle-	im	immediately, spread of crushed gravel over		machinery with air	monthly basis	
	related pollutants (such as	pac	backfilled surfaces		pollution control devices;		
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	oxides, particulate matter,	\$ P	to have tarpaulin cover and maintain a minimum		are compliant with air	e D	
		of 2	of 2 feet free board		quality standards.	biannual air	
	arbor	,	Limit speed of construction vehicles in access			quality	
	-		-=			monitoring	
		Ens	Ensure use of equipment and fuel complying with				
		app	applicable emission standards				
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	on settlements along and	proc	_		noise levels	RPMO	
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Vegetation	Loss of vegetation cover during construction works and laying of the pipelines	Greenery promotion around the construction sites and road alignments where possible Tree felling will be avoided, and if any such cases occur, prior approval from the local bodies will be received out Trees of local economic value and aesthetic significance will be planted under compensatory plantation Locally demanded plants like <i>Camphor trees</i> will be promoted	Contractor	Area of greenery that has been cleared Number of trees cut (only if unavoidable) Complaints or grievances by the locals	Weekty monitoring by RPMO & DSMC-ESS
Impacts on Fauna	There could be some disturbances to local and migratory birds, reptiles and mammals No major impacts on animals area expected	No heavy vehicles will be made available to run on the road that may disturb the wildlife of the area. Horn prohibited sign will be placed in nearby wildlife inhibited area. Code of conduct will be developed and implemented for the workforce to prohibit them from any wood logging, hunting. Other mitigation measures include: (i) installing clear signage to direct traffic movement in sites; (ii) designating stockpiling areas; (iii) providing alternative fuel to workers for cooking.	Contractor	Vehicles running nearby wildlife inhibited area will be monitored; Number of complaints from sensitive receptors on disturbance of poaching fishing, etc.	Visual inspection by RPMO & DSMC-ESS on monthly basis
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Social harmony	Poor sanitation practices by workforce may cause pollution of surrounding environment. Social problems may arise due to bad behavior of the workforce such as gambling, alcoholism and disrespect to local people and culture	- A Code of Conduct will be developed for the workforce - Local people should be given priority to work (recommended that more than 60% local workers whenever available) in the project which helps to minimize the chances of cultural discrepancy and conflict due to increased labor from outside.	Construction	Daily entry-sheet of the workforce in the campsites Number of local people versus outside workers in the project area will be regularly monitored	Inspection at campsites by RPMO & DSMC-ESS on monthly basis
Occupational Health & Safety	During the construction work, the laborers involved in the construction activities may be exposed to different level of health risks and are prone to accidents	 A site Health and Safety Plan will be prepared encouraging use of safety measures (PPEs) such as mask, helmet, hand gloves and rubber boots. The laborers will be insured for their health and safety. Provide safe drinking water for labours Workers working at height above the ground especially during the construction will be provided with safety gears. First aid box will be kept at a proper and easily accessible place. The child labour will be totally prohibited from all the constructional activities. There will be no discrimination in wage for male and female workers in the project 	Contractor	Site-specific H&S Plan, Equipped first-aid stations, Medical insurance coverage for workers, Number of accidents, Campsite standards, Record of H&S orientation trainings, Availability of personal protective equipment at construction site, Signage for storage and disposal areas Condition of sanitation facilities for workers	Visual inspection by RPMO (monthly) and DSMC-ESS on weekly basis.
Community Health & Safety Hazards	Overall, communities will be exposed to cross-cutting threats from construction's impacts on air and water quality, ambient noise level; Chances of accidents, Communicable and transmittable diseased many potentially be brought into the community by	Contractor's will maintain ader adequate lighting, temporary fisignage at campsites; Construct gender friendly toile Children will be prohibited from construction sites. Prepogle (grading of shockpile and will be dreamed)	Construction	Number of permanent signs, barricades and flagmen on worksites as per Traffic Management Plan (Annex 2-C); Number of complaints from sensitive receptors; Number of walkways, signs, and metal sheets placed at project location	Visual inspection by RPMO & DSMC-ESS on weekly basis
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1	-	Monitoring in residential	Construction	Air quality; noise	Residential areas	Monthly	NAAQS	
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1	er,	Monitoring in surface water	Construction	Water quality	Rivers/streams	Six monthly	NDWQS	Team
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Monitoring of the environmental compliances during construction and operation phases will be source based monitoring, and monitoring of the environmental impacts will be sink based monitoring.

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7.5.1 Environmental Monitoring Cost

The cost of regular monitoring works will be inbuild in the EMP and the civil work's contract of the contractor. Other monitoring will works will have additional costs for involvement of a authorized team. The project level monitoring team will submit its report to MoWS. Total cost of environmental monitoring (field visits, observation, review of reports and report preparation) is estimated NRs. 335,000.

Table 7.3: Environmental Monitoring Cost

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Team Leader/Environmental Specialist	1	75,000	75,000
Water Resource Engineer	1/2	60,000	30,000
Socio-economist	1/2	60,000	30,000
Cost of Monitoring by MoWSS	1	50 ,000	50,000
Support staff	1	25,000	25,000
Transportation cost		LS	75,000
Report preparation & sampling/lab. Test		LS	50,000
Total			335,000

7.5.2 Types of Monitoring and Monitoring Parameters

Monitoring is an ongoing component of the environmental assessment process and subsequent environmental management and mitigation activities. There are basically three types of environmental monitoring;

Baseline Monitoring - It is done if the project is not going to be implemented recently (in this project not required)

Compliance Monitoring - It verifies whether contract environmental clauses and the mitigation measures are properly implemented in the field.

Impact Monitoring - It confirms whether the environmental mitigation measures specified in the project design and contract are correctly formulated.

The nature and purpose of environmental monitoring will be different in the preconstruction, stage, construction stage and operation stage of the project.

Pre-construction Stage

Monitoring at this stage of project is to:

Confirm that plan, route selection and design of the road has considered the recommendation made by IEE

Judge the level of preparation for implementing the construction related mitigation, and-----

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Construction Stage

This stage of monitoring is to check compliance with the best practices, norms and standards and on implementation of the mitigation measures prescribed by IEE. The following parameters will mainly be focused on:

- Disposal of spoil and construction wastes and its consequences
- Disruption of natural water courses, drainage work and its consequences ii.
- Slope protection measures iii.
- Loss, stratification or degradation of forest vegetation iv.
- Care, sensitivity or disruption of community infrastructures V.
- Loss or degradation or threat to private properties νi.
- Care, sensitivity or disruption to cultural sites vii.

Operation Stage

- The monitoring in this stage is mainly related to road features, road induced i. activities and their impacts on receiving environment. The following parameters are mainly monitored during operation stage:
- Drainage structures, their outfall and damage to private properties, community ii. properties and natural resources
- Effectiveness of the slope protection and soil erosion measures iii.
- Encroachment into road side, public land, forest or marginal land ĺV.
- Status of waste disposal sites ٧.
- Road accidents νi.

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- Symptoms of emergence of road side settlements, changes in agricultural pattern vii.
- Activities of road neighboring communities viii.
- Illegal felling of trees and hunting of wildlife ix.

7.6 Institutional Capacity Development Program

Considering the limited capability of the project's key players in environmental management, technical assistance from environmental specialists and capacity development during loan implementation will be needed. Capacity development will consist of hands-on training in implementing the responsibilities in EMP (as well as in EARF) implementation, complemented with a short-term series of lectures/seminars on relevant topics.

WUSC does not have the capacity to monitor the quality of supplied water as prescribed in the NDWQS and its Directives. Although monitoring kits and laboratory rooms will be provided, this would not guarantee WUSC can handle monitoring appropriately. DWSSM has five regional laboratories; however some are not functioning fully due to lack of human resources. Considering that public health is a critical concern associated with water supply, it is recommended that a licensed and accredited laboratory be engaged to conduct water quality monitoring for at least the first 2-3 years of operation with WUSC actively participating to develop its capacity. Water quality monitoring should be carried out in such a way that WUSC will be "learning by doing". After the engagement period, there should be continuing periodic training of new persons to ensure that the capacity of WUSC is sustained. The cost for monitoring during operation is based on the assumption that a licensed laboratory will be engaged for both the monitoring requirements and to train WUSC. A Water Salety Plan is included in subproject the sign and will oblige the operator to carry out water quality Mary and Councils or Mace Maler supply and Control Manager

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monitoring accordingly. There will be sufficient fund to include training by the licensed and accredited lab, while monitoring water quality.

The contractor will be required to conduct environmental awareness and orientation of workers prior to deployment to work site. The proposed training project along with the frequency of sessions is presented in Table 7.4. The Environmental Safeguard specialist & EMP Field Monitloring Staffs are responsible for organizating different training program for Environmental Management.

Table 7.4: Training Program for Environmental Management

Items	Pre-construction/prior to construction	Construction	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Training Title	Orientation workshop	Orientation program/ workshop for contractors and supervisory staff	Experiences and best practices sharing
Purpose	To make the participants aware of the environmental safeguard requirements of ADB and GON and how the project will meet these requirements	To build the capacity of the staffs for effective implementation of the designed EMPs aimed at meeting the environmental safeguard compliance of ADB and GON	To share the experiences and best practices aimed at learning lessons and improving implementation of EMP
Contents	Module 1: Orientation ADB Safeguards Policy Statement Government of Nepal Environmental Laws and Regulations Module 2: Environmental Assessment Process ADB environmental process, identification of impacts and mitigation measures, formulation of an environmental management plan (EMP), implementation, and monitoring requirements Review of environmental assessment report to comply with ADB requirements Incorporation of EMP into the project design and contracts	Roles and responsibilities of officials/contractors/consultants towards protection of the environment Environmental issues during construction Implementation of EMP Monitoring of EMP implementation Reporting requirements	Experiences on EMP implementation — issues and challenges Best practices followed
Duration	1 day	1 day	1 day on a regular period to be determined by PMO, ICGs, and (provide if DRTAC or DSMC)
Participa nts	Executing and implementing agencies, PMO, and PMO staff (technical and environmental) involved in the project implementation	PMO ICGs Contractors	PMO ICGs Contractors

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	Particulars	Stages	Unit	Total Number	Rate (NPR)	Cost (NPR)	Cost covered by
F	Expert Monitoring Costs						liability period
	Environmental Specialist			1 MM	100,000	100,000	
	Sociologist			1 MM	75,000	75,000	
	Support staff			2 MM	25,000	50,000	
	Cost of monitoring visit by MoWS/DWSSM					200,000	PMO cost
	Transportation and logistics					75,000	
		TOTAL				3,800,000	

The EMP will be included in civil work bidding and contract documents. The cost of NRs 1,500,000 will be included in the contract document to ensure implementation of EMP works.

7.8 Implementation Schedule

Environmental management will be implemented from the detailed design phase through to procurement, construction and operation. Table 7.6 presents the indicative time frame of key EMP activities in relation to subproject implementation schedule.

Table 7.6: Environmental Management Implementation Schedule

SN	Activity	Indiantica Time Con
1	PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION	Indicative Time Frame
	Detailed Design & Bidding Documents	Loove
	Procurement	Q2 Y0
		Q3 Y0
	Construction	Q4 Y0 – Q4 Y2
	Contractor Operating Period	Q3 Y2 – Q4 Y3
	Handover to WUSC for Operation	Q3 Y3 - Q1 Y4
	Defects Liability Period	Q3 Y2 - Q4 Y4
2	ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT	
2.1	Overall	
1	Design Review and Technical Audit Consultant	Starting Q4 Y0 (5 yrs of
	(DRTAC)-Engagement of Environmental Specialist	intermittent inputs)
<u>li</u>	PMO's submission of Environmental Monitoring Report	rt (EMR)
lii 	Monthly EMR for subproject's Monthly Progress Report	8 th day after effective month
iv	Semi-Annual EMR during construction for submission to ADB	8 th day after effective 6-month period
V	Annual EMR for submission to ADB	8 th day after effective year
2.2	Prior to Construction Mobilization	o day diter ellective year
_	Finalization of EMP, (if applicable) revision of IEE	Q2 Y0
 	ADB review & approval of revised ISE & EMP.	Q2Y0
lii	Obtaining Government's approval of IEE Report	Q2 Y0 & Q3 Y0
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SN	Activity	Indicative Time Frame
V	Establishment of baseline data (as set out in the EMP)	Q4 Y0 (shall have been done prior to award of contract)
Vi	Preparation of C-EMP by selected Contractor, review of C-EMP against SPS-compliant EMP.	Q4 Y0, before Notice to Proceed is given
2.3	Construction Period	
	Mobilization to Demobilization	
	Implementation of mitigation measures and conduct of environmental effects monitoring following the C-EMP.	Q4 Y0 - Q4 Y2
łi	Submission of Environmental Monitoring Report (EMR)	Q4 Y0 – Q4 Y2
	- Monthly, by Contractor	5 th day of the month following the effective month
	- Quarterly, by Contractor or by Licensed Laboratory	3 rd day of the month following the effective quarter
2.4	Operation Period (potentially could start even before D	DLP is over)
T	Implementation of mitigation measures & monitoring activities as specified in the EMP	Starting anytime between Q3 Y3 & Q1 Y4
ii	Submission of EMR	Anytime between Q3 Y3 & Q1 Y4
-	Monthly, by Operator	5 th day of the month following the effective month
	Quarterly, by Operator or (if applicable) by Licensed Laboratory	3 rd day of the month following the effective quarter

Note: Y0 = Design Year; Y1 to Y4 = Year 1 to Year 4 from start of Construction Contract

7.9 Monitoring and Reporting

RPMO will monitor and measure the progress of EMP implementation. The monitoring activities will correspond with the project's risks and impacts, and will be identified in the IEEs for the projects. In addition to recording information on the work and deviation of work components from the original scope PMO, ICGs will undertake site inspections and document review to verify compliance with EMP and progress toward the final outcome.

RPMO will submit monthly monitoring and implementation reports to PMO, who will take follow-up actions, if necessary. PMO will submit semi-annual monitoring reports to ADB. The suggested monitoring report format is in Annex 2-E. Subproject budgets will reflect the costs of monitoring and reporting requirements. For the projects likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts during operation phase, reporting will be continued at bio-annual & annual basis. Monitoring reports will be posted in a location accessible to the public.

For subprojects likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts, PMO will retain qualified and experienced external experts to verify its monitoring information. PMO-ESS will document prohitoring results, identify the necessary corrective actions, reflect them in a corrective action plan, and for each quarter, will study the compliance with the action plan developed in the previous quarter. Compliance with foan covenants will be screened by the Mell of Water Supply and Specials PMO-ESO, With support from the PMO-ESS

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The contractor will be required to conduct environmental awareness and orientation of workers prior to deployment to work sites. The contractor needs to conduct regular monitoring of environmental status, compliance and standards in its working sites and campsites. This needs to be included in monthly reporting to the Consultant in the format prescribed by the consultant. The Contractor shall facilitate for field visits in any and all monitoring activities planned by the Consultant, the Client and the ADB.

ADB will review project performance against the MoWS's commitments as agreed in the legal documents. The extent of ADB's monitoring and supervision activities will be commensurate with the project's risks and impacts. Monitoring and supervising of social and environmental safeguards will be integrated into the project performance management system. ADB will monitor projects on an ongoing basis until a project completion report is issued. ADB will carry out the following monitoring actions to supervise project implementation:

- (i) Conduct periodic site visits for projects with adverse environmental or social impacts;
- (ii) Conduct supervision missions with detailed review bv specialists/officers or consultants for projects with significant adverse social or environmental impacts;
- (iii) Review the periodic monitoring reports submitted by EAs to ensure that adverse impacts and risks are mitigated, as planned and as agreed with ADB;
- (iv) Work with EAs to rectify to the extent possible any failures to comply with their safeguard commitments, as covenanted in the legal agreements, and exercise remedies to re-establish compliance as appropriate; and
- (v) Prepare a project completion report that assesses whether the objective and desired outcomes of the safeguard plans have been achieved, taking into account the baseline conditions and the results of monitoring.

7.10 Information Disclosure, Consultation And Participation

Stakeholder consultations and local participation was an essential process in project preparation and IEE study. The process in engaging stakeholders and affected people involved key informant interviews, on-site discussions with WUSC, and random field interviews of stakeholders. Table 7.7 lists the persons consulted during the IEE Study.

Table 7.7: Lists of People and Institutions Consulted

SN	Name	Organization/Address
1	Mr Shantaram Sharma	President, Pragatinagar WUSC
2	Mrs. Bhima Acharya	Vice President, Pragatinagar WUSC
3	Mr Ohmnath Banjade	Secretary, Pragatinagar WUSC
4.	Mr. Arjun Adhikari	Treasurer, Pragatinagar WUSC
5	Mr Bharat Prasad Pandey	Member, Pragatinagar WUSC
6	Mr Tuladhwoj Malla	Member, Pragatinagar WUSC
7	Mr. Thagendra Pariyar	Member, Pragatinagar WUŞC)
8	Mrs Pratima Acharya	Member, Pragatinagar WUSC)
9	Mrs Nirmala Chaudhary	Member, Pragatinagar WUSC
10	Mr Numa Nanda Subedi	Chairperson, Rapti Rural Municipality
11	Mr Lalit K Thapa	Chief Admin, Officer, Rapti Rugal Mucrilcipality
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12	Mr Resham R Adhikari	Finace Section, Rapti Rural Municipality
13	Mr Damodar Pokharel	Secretary, Rapti Rural Municipality
14	Hemanta Chhetri	Assistant, Bhalubang Ddhyog Banijya Sangh
15	Mr Purna Bahadur Budhathoki	Chair, Sishaniya Udhyog Banijya Sangh

During the IEE preparation, consultations were undertaken. A formal public consultation was conducted on 22nd March 2019 at the meeting hall of the office of Rapti Rural Municipality in compliance with GoN's EPR requirements (Annex 5). Chosing of safe construction campsites and safety concerns in the proposed project sites during construction were raised as among the concerns during the public consultation. Stakeholder consultations will continue throughout the implementation of the subprojects and operation. All stakeholders must be invited and encouraged to participate in community consultations. To facilitate the engagement of stakeholders, the PMO and ICG will maintain good communication and collaboration with WUSC and the Rural Municipality. PMO, ICG, Contractors and/or WUSC will be open to the public to contact on matters concerning the progress of the subprojects, adverse impacts, mitigation measures and environmental monitoring and grievances. Future stakeholder consultations will be as follows;

- be a construction stage, if there would major During design/alignment/location, the PMO and ICG will hold at least one public consultation meeting early on in the construction period to solicit perceived impacts, issues, concerns and recommendations from affected communities;
- Prior to construction, the PMO and ICG will conduct an intensive information, education and communication (IEC) campaign to ensure sufficient level of awareness/information among the affected communities regarding the upcoming construction, its anticipated impacts, the grievance redress mechanism, contact details and location of the PMO and ICG, and status of compliance with the Government's environmental safeguard requirements, among others, are attained/provided. Billboards about the subproject, implementation schedule and contact details of the executing agency, PMO-ES, ICG-ESA and Contractors will have been set up at strategic locations within the subprojects' main areas of influence. The grievance redress procedure and details will have been posted at the offices of the ICG, WUSC and Rural Municipality;
- During construction, regular random interviews will be conducted by the ICG-ESA every month to monitor environmental concerns of subproject communities;
- During operation, periodic random interviews will be conducted by the ICG and WUSC to monitor the environmental concerns of subproject communities;

The public consultations and information disclosure will be continuous throughout the project cycle. Women participation from beneficiary community will be insured. PMO and ICG will be responsible for designing and implementing such aspects. The GoN-approved IEE Report (in English), will be available at the offices of the PMO, ICG and WUSC for the perusal of interested parties. Copies may be made available upon formal request. environmental monitoring reports will be disclosed in the ADE's and UWSSP website.

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7.11 Grievance Redress Mechanism

Purpose of the Grievance Redress Mechanism

The Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) is meant for persons seeking satisfactory resolution to their complaints on the social and environmental performance of the project. The mechanism, developed in consultation with key stakeholders, will ensure that: (i) the basic rights and interests of every person adversely affected by the social and environmental performance of a Project are protected; and (ii) their concerns are effectively and timely addressed.

7.11.1 Proposed Set Up

The MoWS, as the Project executing agency, will establish the GRM and its support system, including setting up the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) at the project level. The GRC will comprise of the: (i) Chief of the WSSDO; (ii) members of the WUSC; (iii) two representatives of affected persons, a male and a female; (iv) a member of IP community, preferably female; (v) a representative of a non-government organization or communitybased organization actively involved in IP development/other backward communities in the area, if any; (vi) local government representatives, i.e., Municipality and DCC; (vii) DSMC social safeguard expert; and (viii) DSMC environmental safeguard expert (ESE). environmental safeguard assistant (ESA) the **ICG** will the of implementation/observance of the mechanism for environmental complaints at the project level. He/she will be technically advised, supported and trained by DRTAC's environmental specialist and the DSMC ESE. PMO's Environmental Officer will oversee the implementation/observance of the GRM in all projects. Representatives of affected persons (APs), civil society and eminent citizens will be invited as observers during GRC meetings. Contractors and WUSCs (as Operators) will be required to designate their respective counterpart GRM staff.

The GRM will accommodate both informally- and formally-lodged, but Project-related, valid grievances. Informally-lodged grievances are those received by the Contractors during construction or WUSCs during operation. Formally lodged grievances are those received at the ICG office. The ICG, GRC and PMO maintain records of all grievances, informally- and formally-lodged, valid and invalid, and appealed. The ICG will immediately inform the PMO, as necessary, particularly when an appeal is made by an AP in court. PMO will in turn immediately inform the ADB of the same. The observance/implementation of the GRM will be reported by the: (i) ICG/ESA in the project's monthly progress reports, semi-annual project environmental monitoring report (EMR) during construction and annual project EMR during operation; and (ii) PMO EO in the Project's monthly progress report, semi-annual Project EMR during construction and annual Project EMR during operation.

Sufficient support system, including well GRM-oriented staff of Contractors and WUSCs, communication/documentation/recording and reporting system, fuggestors declaring contact details and displayed/at strategic locations, among others, will be in place to sustain the effective implementation of the nechanism. Mater supply and Severage Manage

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7.11.2 Access to Mechanism

Any person who has environmental concerns/issues pertaining to the projects during detailed design, construction and operation phases will have access to the mechanism free of charge. The PMO EO and ICG ESA will ensure that:

- The public, especially the residents and regular passers-by, in the main areas of influence of the projects, are aware of their rights to access, and will have access to the GRM free of administrative and legal charges; and
- The GRM is fully disclosed prior to Notice to Proceed for construction is given: (a) in public consultations and social/community preparations, (b) through posters displayed in the offices of the ICG, Municipality, DCC and at strategic places within the main areas of influence of projects (posters to include names and contact details of the EO of the PMO and ESA of the ICG).

7.11.3 **GRM Steps and Timeframe**

Informal Approach: Informally, APs can lodge complaints directly to the Contractor during construction or Operator (WUSC) during operation. Contractor/Operator will document and screen the complaint immediately. If screening reveals the complaint as Project-related and valid, the Contractor/Operator will act on the complaint within three days from receipt of complaint. Otherwise, the Contractor/Operator will direct the AP with non-Project-related and/or invalid complaint to the ICG. The Contractor/Operator will secure a confirmation of completion of action from the AP. For at least a week after confirmation of completion, the ICG will monitor the effectiveness of the action/resolution taken. After which, ICG will secure a written confirmation of satisfaction from the AP. The Contractor/Operator shall report to the ICG all complaints received, eligible or ineligible, actions agreed on and taken and confirmation of completed action.

Formal Approach: If a complaint is eligible but is not acted on within three days from the receipt of the complaint, or if AP is not satisfied with the resolution undertaken by the Contractor/Operator, he/she can access the formal mechanism, as follows: (Figure 7.1).

i. First level of GRM

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The access point will be the ICG. The steps are detailed below;

Lodging a Complaint (Day 1)

AP lodges complaint with the ICG, verbally or in writing ICG documents/registers lodged complaint, makes sure these are duly referenced and provides AP with a copy of the referenced complaint.

Step 2 Screening of Complaint (Day1)

> ESA screens the complaint if it is Project-related and valid and informs the AP immediately of the screening results. An AP complaint screened as non-Project-related and/or invalid will be advised that he/she may raise complaint to second level of the GRM, and ICG will for ward live complaint to the GRC. Mary Males Supply and Sevents

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Investigations, Discussion and Agreement (Day 1) Step 3 ICG, together with the Contractor/Operator and AP, will investigate and discuss the complaint at the site. Agreement on actions and measures and time involved will be made with the AP. Agreement will be properly documented and filed; ICG, AP, Contractor/Operator will have copies.

Implementing the Agreed Action Step 4

- If the required action is minor, i.e. not requiring further investigation and would be quick and easy to implement, the Contractor/Operator will immediately implement the agreed action. (Day 2/Day 3)
- If required action is major, i.e., requiring further investigation and/or procurement of supplies/parts, the Contractor/Operator will: (i) immediately provide the most suitable interim measure to reduce the magnitude of the impact (Day 2/Day 3); and (ii) start work on the major action within 5 days from discussion (or not later than Day 8 since receipt of complaint).
- AP will be advised by the ICG that his/her complaint may be raised to the second level of the GRM, if he/she so prefers when: (i) minor action is not implemented within 2 days from discussion; (ii) interim measure prior to major action is not implemented within 2 days from discussion; or (iii) major action is not started within 5 days from discussion.
- Step 5 Confirmation of Completed Action Contractor/Operator will secure a written confirmation of completed action from the AP and furnish the ICG a copy.
- Confirmation of Satisfaction (1 week after confirmation of completed action) Step 6 The ICG will monitor the effectiveness of the resolution for at least a week after receipt of confirmation of completed action from the Contractor/Operator. After which, ICG will secure a written confirmation of satisfaction from the AP.

ii. Second level of GRM

The AP will be notified by the ICG when complaint is forwarded to the GRC. The GRC will call for a hearing, if necessary, where AP can present his or her concerns or issues. The GRC will suggest corrective action/measure at the field level and assign clear responsibilities for implementing its decision within 7 days of receipt of complaint by GRC. If GRC decision is not acceptable to the AP, if the suggested corrective action/measure is not started within 7 days, the matter/AP will be referred to the third level.

III. Third level of GRM

Third Level: The ICG will refer AP and its unresolved complaint or major issues to the PMO Norwall . EO, who will act within 15 days. Quibar, Va

iv. Fourth level of GRM '-

Fourth Level: For extremely major issues that will go beyond the three will be referred to the project steering / committee (PSC), to be resolved Gray and Serverory Polecy Managament Office

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Environmental complaints (other than those that will involve the legal system) are expected to be mainly resolved at the second level, and to a lesser extent at the third level.

Despite the GRM, an AP will have access to the country's legal system at any stage. Accessing the country's legal system can run parallel to accessing the GRM and is not dependent on the negative outcome of the GRM. In the event that the established GRM is not in a position to resolve the issue, the affected person also can use the ADB Accountability Mechanism (AM) through directly contacting (in writing) the Complaint Receiving Officer (CRO) at ADB headquarters or the ADB Nepal Resident Mission. The complaint can be submitted in the country's language. The ADB Accountability Mechanism information will be included in the PID to be distributed to the affected communities, as part of the GRM.

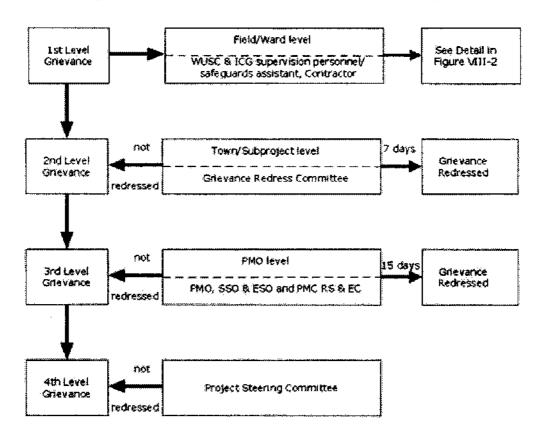


Figure 7.1: Grievance Redress Mechanism (Formal Approach)

ES - Environmental Specialist, ESO - Environmental Safeguards Officer, ICG - Implementation Core Group, PMC - Project Management Consultant, PMO - Project Managemetri Office, RS - Resettlement Specialist, SSO - Social Safeguards Officer, WUSC - Water User and Sanitation Committee

7.11.4 Record Keeping and Disclosure

The PMO, GRC, ICG will keep records of all legical and documented/referenced complaints, actions/resolutions taken. AP's written configurations of completed action and satisfaction, completeds raised to higher levels and lessons learned. The number of grievances recorded and resolved and the outcomes will be displayed at the offices of WSSDO, ICG, PMO and WUSC and reported in the monthly progress reports, semi-annual EMR during construction and annual EMR during operation, submitted to ADB.



7.11.5 Periodic review and documentation of lesson learned

The PMO EO will do periodic review of the effectiveness of the GRM in each town and record information on the effectiveness of the mechanism, especially on the project's ability to prevent and address complaints.

7.11.6 Costs

All costs involved in resolving the complaints (meetings, consultations, communication and reporting/information dissemination) at local (field/ward/town) level will be borne by the concerned focal organisations at each level; WUSC at town level; RPMO at regional level and PMO at central level.





8. CONCLUSION

The water supply and sanitation project proposed under UWSSP in Pragatinagar Town is not an environmentally critical intervention. The IEE further concludes that;

- The project is not within or adjacent to any environmentally sensitive area and hence it
 is unlikely to cause any significant adverse impacts of flora and fauna.
- Since it is a development intervention, ther will be some adverse impacts on the local
 environment. However, the extent of adverse impacts is expected to be local, confined
 within the subprojects' main areas of influence, and for short period of time.
- Controlled activities during construction of reservoirs and building, well managed activity plan for deep tube wells and treatments plants, and proper management of construction campsites and stockpile areas are seen as major areas to focus with respect to environmental safeguards.
- Mitigation measures, basically integral to socially and environmentally responsible construction practices, are commonly to be applied at construction sites. Mitigation measures would not be difficult to be implemented but timely implementation and its monitoring is required.
- There needs to be proper coordination with the local communities like Paharawa, Lathhawa, Kalabani, Thulo Sisahaniya, Pipara, Bijauri and Nayabasti to minimize disturbances to local activities and damage to public or private properties during laying of pipelines and other construction works
- During operation, the potential delivery of unsafe water can be mitigated with good operation and maintenance, prompt action on leaks, and complying with the required quality monitoring of supplied water as prescribed in the National Drinking Water Quality Standards Directives.

The proposed subproject will bring about: (i) the benefits of access to reliable supply of safe and potable water; (ii) promotion of good hygiene and sanitation practices and reduced health and safety risks as positive impacts; and (iii) enhanced community health, improved quality of life and safe communities as outcomes. This project will have positive development impact not only in the project area, but also in this belt of Province 5.

Finally, based on the above findings, the classification of Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project as Category B is confirmed. IEE is sufficient for the project, and no further special study or EIA needs to be undertaken for safeguarding the environmental aspects of the project implementation.

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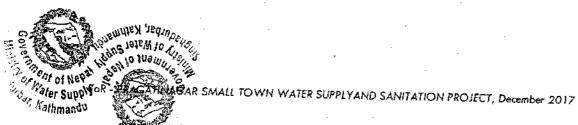


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ACRONYMS

ADB Asian Development Bank

BS Bikram Sambat

Cl Cast Iron

DDC District Development Committee

DED Detailed Engineering Design

DI Ductile Iron

DIZ Direct Impact Zone

DSC Design and Supervision Consultant

DSMC Design Supervision and Management Consultant

DTW Deep Tube Well

DWSS Department of Water Supply and Sewerage

EPA Environment Protection Act

EPR Environment Protection Rules

GI Galvanized Iron

GoN Government of Nepal

GR Ground Reservoir

GoN Government of Nepal

HDPE High Density Polyethylene Pipe

IEE Initial Environmental Examination

ICG Implementation Core Group

IIZ Indirect Impact Zone

LB Local Bodies

LPCD Liter Per Capita Per Day

MP Member of Parliament

MPPW Ministry of Physical Planning and Works

MWSS Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation

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NGO Non-Governmental Organization

O & M Operation & Maintenance

OHS Occupational Health & Safety



Over Head Tank OHT

Project Management Office PMO

Project Preparation Technical Assistance **PPTA**

Parts Per Million PPM

Reinforced Cement Concrete RCC

Right of Way RoW

Reservoir Tank RT

Third Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project **TSTWSSSP**

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Town Project Coordination Committee **TPCC**

Town Project Office. TPO

Village Development Committee **VDC**

Western Region Project Management Office WRPMO

Western Region Design Supervision and Management Consultancy WRDSMC

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Water Supply and Sanitation Division Office WSSDO

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1. ORGANIZATION PREPARING THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Environment Protection Rules 1997 (and its amendments) mentions that a Terms of Reference (TOR) for an Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) is required.

This Terms of Reference (TOR) has been prepared in order to carry out an IEE for Pragatinagar Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project in Pragatinagar, Dang district. The proposed proponent is the Project Management Office (PMO), Third Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (TSTWSSSP) of the Department of Water Supply & Sewerage. Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation, the Government of Nepal is responsible for the preparation of IEE report. Name and address of the proponent is given below:

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2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This Terms of Reference (ToR) for Pragatinagar Town Project of Third Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (TSTWSSSP) has been prepared with the purpose of mainly ensuring the participation of the beneficiaries in the project from the beginning of the project cycle i.e. from project preparation stage to final operation and takeover of the project. The preliminary design of water supply and sanitation system, estimate and cost sharing arrangements, cost recovery and tariff collection mechanism, and implementation arrangements etc. including scenario on alternative sources are all covered in this report.

Extending the water supply and sanitation services to hardship area is still a priority development plan in Nepal. Government has prepared a fifteen-year development plan in order to implement water supply and sanitation programs in emerging towns all over the country. The plan assesses the demand for water supply and sanitation in the small towns, estimates the investment requirements and outlines a financing plan. The overall approach to meet the demand of the small towns for water supply and sanitation is in line with the policies stated in the national development plans and the National Water Supply and Sanitation Policy. The fifteen-year plan envisaged that the total investment requirements for small towns' water supply and sanitation improvement will be about \$174 million for a service area population of about 2.1 million. The small town water supply and sanitation sector project, which is under implementation with the financial assistance of Asian Development Bank, is being carried out as per the plan.

The sub-project will improve the water supply system of ward no. 5, 7 and 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality of Dang district (Table 1). The area is partly covered by piped water supply system There are existing Water Supply Systems in the project area which were constructed under WSSDO and handed over to WUSC. The schemes cover parts of the Rapti Rural Municipality, which supplies water through community taps. However, coverage is less than 5% of the total population of the proposed project area.

Due to high in-migration ratio and increase of rented population, WUSC is unable to serve enough water supplies. The level of services in terms of quality, quantity, coverage is quite insufficient.

Table 1: Number of Households and Population of the Service Area

VDC/	Ward	Cluster /	НН	P	pulation		Remarks
Municipality	Nor	Settlements		Permanent		Total	
					(Floating).		
Rapti Rural	5	4702	862	4702	103	4805	
Municipality	7	1883	326	1883	2	1885	
	8	5323	968	5323	30	5353	
Total	<u> </u>		2,156	11,908	135	12,043	

Source: Socio-economic Survey, 2017

Overall satisfactory in terms of 95.7 percent of the household has possessed toilets. Most of the households in the market area have permanent type of private latrine and others have pit latrine. It was reported that all the colleges / schools, hospital and government offices have toilets. The sewerage system has not been developed in the service area so far.

Lined drain is observed in limited part of the core bazaar area. The proper management of solid waste by the different agencies has not been developed till now in this town. People were found to manage solid waste in the pits prepared in the backyard of their house.

2.2. PROJECT AREA DESCRIPTION

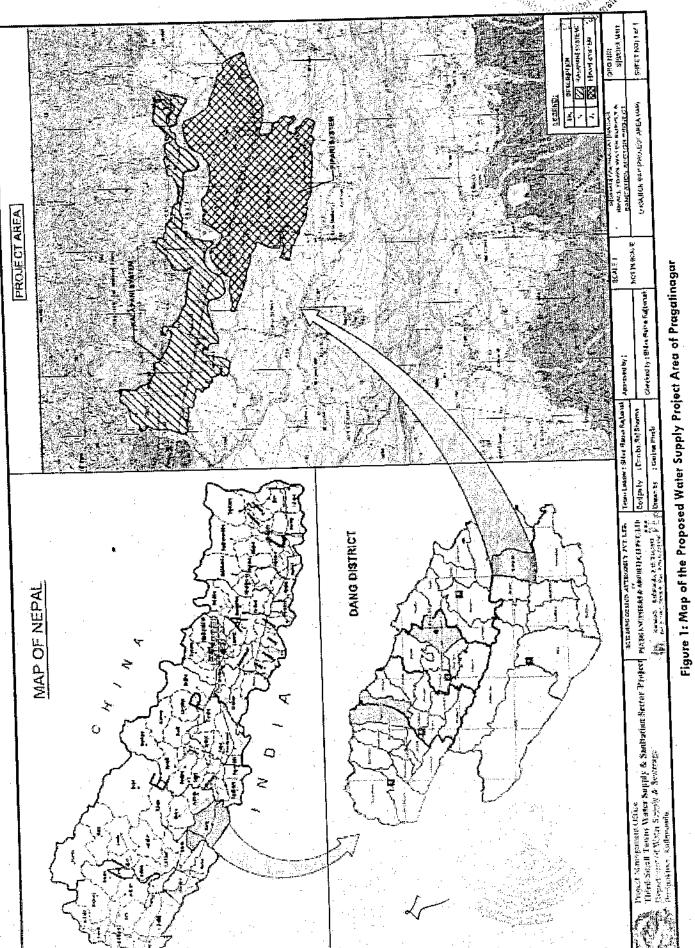
The proposed Pragatinagar Town Project of Water Supply and Sanitation is located at Rapti Rural Municipality in Dang district of Rapti zone. The municipality is bounded by Arghakhanchi district in the East, Bangachuli Rural Municipality in the North, Lamahi Municipality in the West and Gadhawa Rural Municipality in the South. Pragatinagar is one of the emerging towns which lie in Deukhuri valley of Dang district. It is located at East-West Highway at around 6 kilometres east of Lamahi and 36 kilometres away from Gorahi, the headquarter of Dang district. Geographically, the project area is lies in Terai region between 27°515'4" North Latitude and 82°39'14" East Longitude.

The project area is located in relatively flat Terai plain. The altitude of the town varies from 210 m to 300m above the sea level. Since the topography of the area is almost flat, the large portion of land faces flooding problem during rainy season. The climate of the project area is Upper Tropical with temperature ranging 33.9°C in summer and 5.4°C in winter season in average.

Geologically it is situated in the foothill of Siwalik range. The underlain formation of the area consists of cobbles, gravels and sand with pockets of clay. The area is rich in groundwater potential. The shallow as well as deep aquifers are being extracted for drinking and irrigation purposes. The project area is drained by Gopi khola and Dolai khola (Figure 1).









2.3. SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE PROJECT AREA

There are total 2,156 households having population of 12,043 in the service area with an average household size of 5.5.

The proposed project service area comprises multi caste / ethnic groups. Each caste and ethnicity is characterized by its own customs, traditions, culture and nature of occupation with which they are associated. Janjati comprises 75.0 percent of total families, Brahmin/Chhetri are the next major group with 19.2 percent, followed by Dalit which constitutes about 4.6 percent.

Although, the economy of the area is gradually shifting from rural agricultural economy to trade/business and service based, majority of the households are still dependent on agriculture. About 49.4 percent of the households have agriculture as main occupation in service area followed by 30 percent in service and 15 percent in page work. Green vegetables, livestock, fishery, banana plantations are the source of income, and people earned NRs. 60,000 to 90,000 yearly by selling these products. Bhalubang, Sishaniya, and Lahamai are the market place for selling green vegetables. Similarly, people earn NRs. 20,000 to 45,000 yearly from milk production. It is a potentially growing area in all sphere of life.

2.4. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

- Improve water supply and sanitation facilities and provide a health and hygiene education program in each town.
- ii. Support community participation in the development of water supply and sanitation facilities, and
- iii. Facilitate Sustainable development of the facilities thereby help/ improve health and quality of life of the people living in the project area.

2.5. COMPONENT OF THE PROJECT

Pragatinagar Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project has been conceptualized as a piped water supply system with pumping system. The existing water supply systems serve only about 5% of the project area population. The capacity of the existing structures is too much undersized to be utilized in the proposed system. The existing structures are abandoned and new systems have been proposed extracting groundwater through deep tube wells.

Based on the topography, settlement pattern and suitable location for tube well, two water supply systems based on decentralized distribution system is adopted which are described below:

- i. Kalapani System: This is a pumping system. This system is proposed to serve northern part of Dolai River in Kohalwa-Jutpani, Kalapani, Singe, Paharwaha and Lathuwa areas, wards 5 and 8 of Sisahaniya VDC. This system is designed to cater 10,131 permanent and 21 rented (total 10,152) population. The groundwater will be extracted through a tube well as water source. The water is pumped from tube well to the 200 m³ overhead RCC reservoir. The water from the overhead reservoir is supplied to the service areas through gravity.
- ii. Pipari System: This is a pumping system. This system is proposed to serve southern part of Dolai River in Bijauri Baraki Sisaniya, Jitpur Pipara, Pipari, Pragatinagar and Kamal Road areas, wards 5, 7 and 8. This system is designed to cater 28,435 permanent and 247

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rented (total 28,682) population. The groundwater will be extracted through a tube well as water source. The water is pumped from tube well to the 250 m³ground RCC reservoirs. The water from the ground reservoir is pumped to the 450 m³overhead RCC reservoir so that sufficient head is available at the consumers' area. The water from the overhead reservoir is supplied to the service areas through gravity.

2.5.1. WATER SOURCE

A. SOURCE LOCATION, TYPE AND REQUIRED YIELD

According to the socio-economic census survey 2017, the existing water resources in the project area are as given in Table 2. It indicates that a significant number of households (93 percent) in the service area have Tube well and 5 percent of them are getting water from Public Taps. Less than 1 percent households have private tap connection and nearly 1 percent is using other sources such as spring, river or pond as main sources of water. The existing piped water supply scheme is not sufficient to serve the growing population.

Table 2: Existing Sources of Water

(CNO)	Water Source		vard Numbe	1	Total +	* Percent
SN		5	777	8		
1160000	Private Tap	1.5	4	89	108	5
-	Public Tap	5	5	8	18	0.8
2	Tube weil	834	313	863	2010	93.2
	Others (Mul/River/Pond)	8	4	8	20	0.9
4	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, August 2017

All the proposed water sources of the project are tube-wells. The proposed tube well site for Kalapani system is located in the forest area at Kalapani village, ward 5 of Rapti Rural Municipality. The proposed tube well site for Pipari system is south of Dolai River at Pipari village, ward 8 of Rapti Rural Municipality. The water from tube wells will be pumped to overhead reservoir tank after proper treatment. The proposed water sources and their location are shown in Table 3.

Table 3: Proposed Water Sources and Locations

, sn	System	Source Type	Wel Working	I Number Standby	Total		Remarks
1	Kalapani	Tube-well	1	1	2	Kalapani, Ward 5, Rapti Rural Municipality	
2	Pipari	Tube-well	2	1	3	Pipari, Ward 8, Rapti Rural Municipality	

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The yield of all the proposed sources was measured in June 2017 by WRDSMC team during the detailed survey. The yield in the dry season was arrived using the engineering judgment such as location, topography, soil type and vegetation of the area in consultation with the local inhabitants. The safe yield of the source is taken as 90% of the yield in the dry season. The tapped discharge from the source depended on the water demand of the system and is equal or less than safe yield of the source. Table 4 presents the measured discharge, yield in the dry season, safe yield and tapped discharge of the proposed sources.

Table 4: Yield of Proposed Water Source

SN	System	Source Type	Expected Safe Yield per well (lps)	Working		Total	Tapped Discharge (lps)
1	Kalapani	Tube Well	35	1	1	2	17.67
2	Pipari	Tube Well Malbela Mul-2	35	2	1	3	52.84

2.5.2. WATER QUALITY AND TREATMENT UNITS

The water sample from the existing tube well located at Sisahaniya was collected on August 31, 2017 in order to assess the raw water quality of the groundwater in the project area. The water quality of the existing tube well in the project area along with National Drinking Water Quality Standards is presented in Table 5.

Table 5: Water Quality Assessment

SN	Parameters	Units	Test methods	Observe d Values	NDWQS, Nepal
1	pH at 27°C		Electromeric, 4500 – H ⁺ B, : APHA	7.1	6.5 – 8.5
. 2	Electrical Conductivity	µS/c m	Conductivity Meter, 2510 B, APHA	510	1500
3	Turbidity	NTU	Nephelometric, 2130 B, APHA	<1	. 5
4	Total Hardness as CaCO ₃	mg/l	EDTA Titrimetric, 2340 C, APHA	271	500
5	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/l	Titrimetric, 2320 B,APHA	295	· -
6	Chloride	mg/l	Argentometric Titration, 4500 — CI-B, APHA	2.98	250
7	Ammonia	mg/l	Direct Nesslerization, 4500 – NH ₃ C APHA	0.1 <i>7</i>	: 1.5
8	Nitrate	mg/l	UV Spectrophotometric Screening, 4500 –No ₃ B, APHA	4.58	50

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9	Nitrate	mg/l	NEDA, Colorimetric, 4500 – NO ₂ - B, APHA	<0.02	-
10	Calcium	mg/I	EDTA Titrimetric, 3500 –Ca B	85.77	200
11	Magnesium	mg/l	83500 -Mg B APHA	14.1	-
12	Arsenic	mg/l	SDDC, 3500 - As, C: APHA	N.D. (<0.01)	0.05
13	Iron	mg/l	Direct Air - Acetylene AAS,	0.07	0.3
14	Manganese	mg/i	3111 B, APHA	N.D. (<0.02)	0.2

2.5.3. TREATMENT PROCESS

The water treatment process will be selected based on the raw water quality. The proposed treatment process aims to remove the high concentrations of iron and turbidity present in the raw water. It also kills pathogenic organisms present in raw water and ensures the presence of residual chlorine to kill the pathogenic organisms during the conveyance of treated water in pipelines. The treatment process will consists of lime dosing, aeration towers, pressure filters and disinfection with associated accessories likes air blowers/compressors, valves and pipes.

2.5.4. TRANSMISSION MAIN

The transmission main are estimated to distribute water from the tube well to overhead service reservoirs. The distribution system will comprise pipes that will be selectedensuring that the velocity of water within the pipes remain within the range of 0.5 m/s to 1.5 m/s. DI pipes are proposed to use in both the systems. The total transmission main pipe length of the proposed systems is 0.717 km. Thrust blocks are also provided to restrain the pumping mains in both the systems (Table 6).

Table 6: Transmission/Pumping Main

SN	Systems	Length of Pipes (m)
1	Kalapani	135
2	Pipari	582
<u>,</u>	Total	717

2.5.5. SERVICE RESERVOIRS

The total storage requirement for the system at the end of design period i.e. 2039 is calculated as 900m³. Existing reservoirs made of ferro-cement are very small in capacity and have not been utilized in the proposed system. The reservoirs will be constructed of RCC and is designed as overhead tank as the terrain suggests. However, a ground based reservoir of 250 m³ capacity

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has provided prior to the overhead reservoir in Pipari system so that the capacity of the overhead reservoir can be optimized.

The following table summarizes the requirement of reservoir tanks for the various systems (Table 7).

SN	Systems	Reservoir Size (m³)	Туре	Remarks
1	Kalapani	200	RCC - OHT	Proposed
2	Pipari	450	RCC - OHT	Proposed
		250	RCC - Ground	Proposed
	Takal	000		

Table 7: Requirement of Reservoir

2.5.6. DISTRIBUTION NETWORK

The distribution system comprises of pipe network, which consists of mainly loops and branch. The water is supplied from the service reservoir to the consumers by the distribution pipe network. Distribution pipes are laid both sides of the all metalled and major roads. Single line pipes are proposed in earthen and other roads. HDPE pipes are predominantly used. Pipe of class and size lesser than 6 kgf and 50 mm is not proposed. Existing pipes will not be used as these are leaking and found substandard (class of 4 kgf). The length of the distribution network pipes proposed for various systems is shown in Table 8. The total distribution pipe length of the proposed systems is 66.446 km.

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31N 30	Systems	Length of Pipes (m)
]	Kalapani	30009
2	Pipari	36437
	Total	66446

Table 8: Distribution Pipe Network

2.5.7. ELECTRICAL FACILITIES

Power for the operation of pumps shall be obtained from nearby 11 KVA line locating about 1500 m away from the boring station for Kalapani system. In case of Pipari system, the power is proposed to be tapped from nearby 11 KVA line locating about 50 m away from the boring station for both proposed tube wells of this system. The total 11 KV power distribution lines required is about 1600 m.As the voltage of the electricity line of Nepal Electricity Authority is found fluctuating, stabilizers have also been proposed. Similarly standby diesel generators are also proposed to be used in case of electricity power failure and load shedding. A three -phase power line shall connect the control panel, which will distribute power to different power load points. Table9 summarizes the proposed electrical equipment.



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Table 9:Transformers and Generator Set

SN	System		of Pump W)	Building and Peripheral			Peripheral mer r (KVA		Stabilize r (KVA)	DG Set (KVA)
		DTW - SW/GR	SW/GR - OHT	Lighting (KW)	(KW)	(KVA)	(KVA)			
 	Kalapani	40	12	3	55	68.75	100	100	125	
2	Pipari	60	30	3	93	116.25	200	200	250	

2.5.8. HOUSE CONNECTIONS

The system has been designed, predominantly as house to house connections. The system has been analyzed for a design capacity of providing a total of 6981 house connections at the end of design period. However, initially during construction phase, only 2,406 house connections are provided to satisfy the need for the base year population.

2.5.9. APPURTENANCES

These will primarily comprise of valve chambersin flow control valves for controlling flow in the pipeline. Altogether 125 valve chambers and 25 pipe valve boxesare expected in the system. Other appurtenances as air valves, scour valves, fire hydrants will be provided at suitable locations. Some road crossings has been initially provided. This will also facilitate for less road cuttings during the operational phase.

2.5.10. GENERATOR/OPERATOR ROOM

Two permanent generator operator houses to accommodate the generators shall be constructed. in case of failure of power supply the generator shall be used to supply power to the pumps to deliver water. A permanent area to accommodate the pump / plant operator will be provided in this generator house. Accordingly a guard room is proposed.

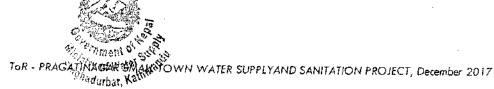
2.5.11.OFFICE BUILDING/ LABORATORY ROOM

There is no office building in the existing system. Thus new one is proposed to accommodate the required facilities Laboratory room, counters, managers room cannot be accommodated in the present office building. The new will consists of manager's room, cash counters, meeting hall etc. Lab room, store will be placed in the office building.

2.5.12. OPERATION &MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS

Beside all other required tools, O & M equipment and tool will also be considered in the project so that project works during construction period and for operational activities will be effectively carried out.

- Leakage detecting equipment- 1 set ì.
- Submersible sludge pump- 1 no ii.
- Electro-fusion machine for joining the HDPE pipes including portable. Generator 1 set iii.



- iv. Water quality testing laboratory equipment 1 set
- v. Other Tools and Plants like: electric pipe cutters, pipe wrenches etc.

2.5.13. SANITATION IMPROVEMENT

This component compriseswaste water management, solid waste management, etc and is described below:

A. INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLD TOILET IMPROVEMENT

It was learnt, some of the households have prepared pit latrines with bamboo, shrubs cover. The wall of pits is not found properly protected. Similarly toilets as such were also found made temporarilye.g. from bamboo, wooden post etc. Thus training programme in association with LB will be carried out for the proper construction of local material e.g., cement plaster in bamboo woven to make wall, strengthening pit wall by locally available stone, use of RCC rings and cover and its molding methods etc. Accordingly awareness campaign is also carried out regarding public sanitation and health.

B. DESIGN OF LOW COST LATRINE FOR LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD

There are a few types of latrines that may be adopted for low income household and range from pit latrines to septic tank latrines. The type of latrines the people will construct depends largely on the financial capacity of the consumers. The other factors as culture, tradition of the people, ground condition, climate and availability of space also play a vital role. There are three distinct income groups in the project area. People with higher income tend to build better sanitation facilities with more contribution, people with medium income like to improve but with little contribution while low income people want to have latrines constructed but do not want to contribute.

C. WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT

Pragatinagar, Dang does not have a water-borne sewerage system. The current practice of human excreta management and disposal is on-site sanitation consisting of individual household or institutional septic tanks often without a proper effluent disposal system. The septic siudge is often discharged, though illegally, in to surface water. The existing practice is unhygienic and unaesthetic for the population.

Thus a trailer mounted suction tank with a capacity of 4,000 liter is proposed. A sludge drying bed constructed from masonry structure with sand and gravel packing is proposed. Gravel packing will enhance to percolate moisture and dry sludge faster. Dried sludge can be sold to the farmers for composting.

D. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

While discussing with the officials of municipality they have requested for a tractor with trailer: for prompt service. Similarly few hand carts (wheel barrows) and collection bins (115 ltrs capacity) are proposed.

Besides training program shall be conducted regarding the solid waste management to concerned municipality officials, users and WUSC members and other members of Tole Lane

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Organizations (TLO). These software programs will help to reduce, reuse and recycle the waste from the households.

2.5.14.PROJECT COST ESTIMATE

The total capital cost of proposed water supply project is NRs. 520.299 million where the project cost of water supply component only has been estimated as NRs. 506.115 million. Whereas, the total project cost of sanitation component has been estimated as NRs. 144.184 million. Contingency @15% and VAT @13% are all included. The cost has been based on district rate of Dang (FY 074/75).

2.5.15.SALIENT FEATURES OF THE PROJECT

Table 10: Salient Features of the Proposed Water Supply Project

v	litems 112	Description				
<u> </u>	Name of the Project	Third Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation				
İ	Mame of the Froject	Sactor Project				
!		Pragotinagar Small Town Water Supply &				
l		Sanitation Project, Dang				
	Туре	Ground (Pumping) scheme				
3	Study Level	Detailed Engineering Design Report				
1	Location Area					
1	Province	Number 5				
	Zone	Rapti				
	District	Dang				
	VDC/Municipality	Rapti Rural Municipality				
	Wards	Parts of Ward No 5, 7 and 8				
5	Available Facilities					
<u> </u>	Road	East-WestHighway				
	Nearest Airport	Nanajauni				
	Existing Water Supply System	Partially covered by piped water supply system.				
	Existing Water Supply System	Spring sources are used				
<u>.</u>	Electricity	Avaîlable				
	Communication	Available				
	Health Services	Available				
	Banking Facilities	Available				
	Ghorahi- Progatinagar distance	36 km				
	Source Characteristics					
6		Deep Tube Well				
	Source Name	Groundwater				
	Source Type	Kalapani in Ward # 5 and Pipari in Ward # 8,				
	Source Location	Rapti Rural Municipality				
	t T - i - i - i - i - i - i - i	Kalopani DTW :17.67lps (Pumping)				
	Proposed Tapping yield (lps)	Pipari DTW:2 x 26,42lps (Pumping)				
		TIPUIT DITTI-Z X ZO, AND TO THE DE				
7_	Project Components	RCC Overhead Tank200Cum : 1 #(Proposed)				
	Storage Tank	RCC Overhead Tank 450 Cum :1 # (Proposed)				
	. [RCC Ground Tank250 Cum : 1 # (Proposed)				
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		Total 900 cum				

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1	Valve Chamber (Nos.)	Type I (1500x900x1000) : 6 #		
		Type 2 (900 x900x1000) : 119 #		
L		Pipe Valves (125mm dia) : 25 #		
	Community Stand Posts	Nil		
	Household Connection (Nos.)	2406 for base year		
_	Total Length of pipe (Km)	Transmission: 0.717 Km		
<u>L</u>		Distribution : 66.446 Km		
	Treatment Unit	Lime dosing unit, Aerator, Pressure filter and		
		Disinfection – 17.671ps and 52.84 lpscapacity		
ļ	Fire Hydrants	28 numbers		
8	Social Status			
	Survey Year Population (2017)	11,908 (permanent) 135 (floating) [Total 12,043]		
	Base Year Population (2019)	13,293 (permanent) 134 (floating) [Total 13,427]		
	Design Year Population (2039)	38,566 (permanent) 268(floating) [Total 38,834]		
	Adopted Annual Growth Rate %	5.42 (Average)		
	Household Numbers (2017, 2039)	6,981 in 2017, 6,987 in 2039		
	Average Family Sizes	5.52		
9	Total Water Demand			
	Base year 2019 (m³/day)	Total 1,420.27		
	Design year 2039 (m³/day)	Total 4,567.87		
10	Total Cost of the Project (NRs.)	520.299million with 15% contingencies & 13%VAT		
	Water Supply Sector	NRs. 506.115 million		
ļ	Sanitation Sector	NRs. 14.184 million		
11	Cost Sharing Arrangement for	506.115 million		
	water supply component (NRs)			
!	14) GoN Grant @ 70%	NRs. 354.281 million •		
	2) WUSC Contribution			
ļ	o) Upfront cash contribution @ 5%	NRs-25.306 million		
12	b) Loan through TDF @ 25%	NRs.126.529 million		
12	Cost Sharing Arrangement for Sanitation Component (NRs)	14.184 million		
<u> </u>	1) GoN Grant @ 85%	NRs.12.056 million		
	2)Local Body (WUSC, VDC &	NRs. 2.128 million		
	others)	•		
	15%			
13	Per capita Investment (for water	Base Year: NRs. 38,750.22 (considering permanent		
	supply sector)	and floating population both)		
	1	Design Year : NRs. 13,398.03 (considering		
1.7		permanent and floating population both		
14	Project Status			
	Started	October, 2017		





2.6. ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS OF THE PROJECT

2.6.1. GEOPHYSICAL PROFILE

Pragatinagar town located in Rapti Rural Municipality of Dang district has fervent hot and temperate type of climate. The temperature rises to about 33.9°C in summer while in winter it drops to about 5.4°C. About eighty percent of the total annual rainfall occurs during the monsoon season (June to September).

The project is located in relatively flat Terai plain. The altitude of the town varies from 210 to 300m above the sea level. Since the topography of the area is almost flat, the large portion of land faces flooding problem during rainy season.

Geologically it is situated in the foothill of Siwalik range. The undertain formation of the area consists of cobbles, gravels and sand with pockets of clay. The area is rich in groundwater potential. The shallow as well as deep aquifers are being extracted for drinking and irrigation purposes.

2.5.2. BIOLOGICAL PROFILE

The major vegetation in the project are comprises mainly of tropical type that includes: Shorea robusta, Terminalia bellirica, T. chebula, and Adina cardifolia, Aeglem armelos, Albizia spp, Bauhinia variegata, Dalbergia latifolia, parvifolia, Toona serrata, Justicia adhatada, Hypericum cordifolium, Clerodendron viscosum and Bauhinia vahlii, Bombax ceiba, Zizyphusm auritiana. In poorly drained areas of the project area, vegetation such as Saccharum bengalense, Saccharum spontaneumi are predominantly found studded with clumps of Acacia catechu and Dalbergia sissoo.

Furthermore, the major mammal species found in the area are: tiger (Panthera tigris), common leopard (Panther apardus), barking deer (Muntiacus muntjac), wild boar (Suss crofa), spotted deer (Axis axis), four horned antelope (Tetraceru squadricornis), sambar deer (Cervus unicolor), leopard cat (Felis bengalensis), jungle cat (Felis chaus), sloth bear (Melursus ursinus), striped hyaena (Hyaena hyaena), jackal (Canis aureus), hare (Lepus nigricollis), flying squirrel (Petaurista petaurista), palm squirrel (Funambulus pennati) and porcupine (Hystria indica).

2.6.3. SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROFILE

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There are total 2, 156 households having population of 12, 043 in the service area with an average household size of 5.5.

The proposed project service area comprises multi caste / ethnic groups. Each caste and ethnicity is characterized by its own customs, traditions, culture and nature of occupation with which they are associated. Janjati comprises 75.0 percent of total families, Brahmin/Chhetri are the next major group with 19.2 percent, followed by Dalit which constitutes about 4.6 percent.

Although, the economy of the area is gradually shifting from rural agricultural economy to trade/ business and service based, majority of the households are still dependent on agriculture. About 49.4 percent of the households have agriculture as main occupation in service area followed by 30 percent in service and 15 percent in page work. Green vegetables, livestock, fishery, banana

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plantations are the source of income, and people earned NRs. 60,000 to 90,000 yearly by selling these products. Bhalubang, Sishaniya, and Lahamai are the market place for selling green vegetables. Similarly, people earn NRs. 20,000 to 45,000 yearly from milk production. It is a potentially growing area in all sphere of life.

2.7. HUMAN AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2.7.1. ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Agriculture is the main occupation of the people located in the project area. The sail condition of the project area is very good, large amount of rice and daal (masuro, mass and adahar) are produced in the area. Green vegetables, livestock, fishery, banana plantations are the source of income, and people earned NRs. 60,000 to 90,000 yearly by selling these products. Bhalubang, Sishaniya, and Lahamai are the market place for selling green vegetables. Similarly, people earn 20,000 to 45,000 Rs. Yearly from milk production. It is a potentially growing area in all sphere of life.

Furthermore, economic condition of the families in service area is satisfactory in terms of their monthly income level. About 51.3 percent of households have income range NRs. 2001-50000 per month. Likewise, 26.1 percent of households fall under the income range NRs. 7501-20000 categories. About 20.8 percent of households have highest income level (more than NRs.50,000 per month), whereas 0.2 percent of the households have lowest income level i.e. less than NRs. 5,000 per month.

2.7.2. INFRASTUCTURAL FACILITIES

The project area is well connected with East-West Highway. Community settlements are well connected with earthen roads. Electricity facility and telephone facilities are also available. Institutions are equipped with toilet facilities. However, sewerage system has not been developed in the service area so far.

District level government offices and other institutions have been established in the project area. There are total 6 government offices including office of Rural Municipality. Besides these, a significant number of government and private institutions / organizations are in the town. Among them 11 are financial institutions, 10 educational institutions i.e. college / schools, 8 health intuitions (hospital / health centre) and 1 I/NGOs (International / National Nongovernmental Organizations).

2.7.3. HEALTH AND SANITATION

In general the overall sanitation condition of the project area is satisfactory. Most of the households in the market area have permanent type of private latrine and others have temporary type of private latrine. It was reported that all the colleges / schools, hospital and government offices have toilets.

Lined drains are in limited part of the core bazaar area. Only about 2.8 percent of the households of core area have access to drainage and sewerage facility (Table 11). No water

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logged area is found as sufficient natural slope exists. The proper management of solid waste by the different agencies has not been developed till now in this town. People were found to manage solid waste in the pits prepared in the backyard of their house.

Regarding the drainage facility, 97.2 percent of the respondents reported that they do not have access to drainage, whereas nearly 2.8 percent of them have access to it. The sewerage system has not been developed in the service area so far.

Table 11: Drainage and Sewerage Facility

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Facility Type	Drainage 🕆 🗀	W	ard Numb	er.	Total	Percent
Decision and	Yes	46	4	10	60	2.8
Drainage and Sewerage	No	816	322	958	2096	97.2
	Total	862	326	968	2156	100

Source: Socio-economic Survey, 2017

2.8. RESETTLEMENT, RELOCATION AND COMPENSATION ISSUE

The major project structures and transmission main and distribution networks are proposed on public land and existing public road RoWs as far as possible. Therefore, no settlements are expected to be adversely affected due to acquisition of small size of public vacant lands at different sites. The public land can be used after getting consent from municipality.

No involuntary resettlement and indigenous peoples impacts are anticipated due to execution to the town as there will be no physical displacement (relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter) and economic displacement (loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihoods) as a result of land acquisition. There is no any designated park and protected area within the project. Hence there will be no impacts on indigenous people due to vegetation loss or restriction on access to natural resources such as forest product.

The impact on indigenous people will be more positive increasing the access to drinking water rather than adverse impact. Some low magnitude site specific impacts caused by construction activities can be expected. Such impacts will be locally dealt and be mitigated on time.

2.9. RELEVANCY OF THE PROJECT PROPOSAL

Any development project has some environmental implication, whether beneficial or adverse. Therefore, it is pertinent to identify the complications/changes apparent in the environmental condition along with the favorable or adverse impacts resulting from the activities associated with the project over the physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural environment of the project area. Similarly the assessment of the magnitude of the impacts is also equally important. The assessment techniques and methods to be adopted may however vary depending upon the nature of the project.

In recent years, environmentally sustainable development has become one of the major challenges faced by different development institutions. Accordingly, the Ministry of Environment, Science and

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Technology, GoN has introduced a variety of instruments into the country's development activities. IEE is one of the tools for the environmentally sustainable development.

Taking in view of the statutory requirement of GoN, adhered to for the environmental assessment of any development projects under EPA-2053 & EPR-2054, an IEE study is necessary and thus TOR is prepared. The Schedule – 1 of EPR states to conduct IEE Study.

All projects funded by the ADB must comply with the Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS) 2009 to ensure that projects funded under ADB loan are environmentally sound, are designed to operate in compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, and are not likely to cause significant environmental, health, or safety hazards. With respect to the environment, the SPS 2009 is underpinned by the ADB Operations Manual, Bank Policy (OM Section F1/OP, 2010).

2.10. THRESHOLD LIMITS FOR CONDUCTING IEE

For Drinking Water Supply Project ,according to Environment Protection Rules, 2054 BS, First Revised (2055 BS) Schedule -1 (Clause G. Drinking Water), IEE is required for following conditions:

Table 12: Threshold Limits

SN	Particulars	Status for proposed Pragatinagar Small Town Water Supply & Sanitation Project
1	Collection of rain- water in not more than 200 hectares, and use of water sources (springs and wetlands) located within the same area.	Not applicable
2	Surface water sources with not more than 1 cubic ft. safe yield and supply of not more than 50 percent of the water during the dry season.	Not applicable
3	Processing of water at the rate of 10 to 25 liters per second.	Within limits
4	Recharging up to 50 percent of the total aquifer for the development of underground water source.	Not applicable
5	Construction of not more than one kilometer long tunnels for carrying water	Not applicable
6	Displacement of not more than 100 persons for operating a water supply scheme.	Not applicable
7	Settlement of not more than 500 persons on the upper reaches of water sources	Not applicable
8	Supply of drinking water to population ranging between 5,000 and 50,000	Within limits
9	Supply of drinking water to a population ranging between 10,000 and 100,000 upon connecting new sources.	Design population 38,834 (within limits)
10	Installation of more than 20 kilometers long electricity transmission lines for pumping or	Not applicable

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1	processing water and consumption of more than one MW of electricity.	
11	River training and diversion activities over an area of more than one kilometer.	Not applicable
12	Operation of a drinking water supply system with inclusion of sewage disposal system with sewage treatment system	Not applicable
13	Extraction of ground water from sources which are located at point and non-point sources of biological and chemical pollution and/or their influenced areas	No non point and point sources of pollution is present in the vicinity of the water source
14		This is not a multipurpose project and is solely for water supply.

For Drinking Water Supply Project, IEE is required for the water supply scheme having population between 10,000 –100,000. Population of the project falls in the strata. Further this is an upgrading of existing system. Service areas have been added and new sources are to be tapped. Further no people will displaced with the construction / operation of the project. Thus the IEE study has to be carried out.

2.11. IMPACT AREA DELINEATION

2.11.1. DIRECT IMPACT ZONE

The IEE, study area covers the environment that will potentially be affected by the installation of the transmission mains and distribution pipes and construction/installation of collector well, main sump well, pumps, treatment units, ground reservoir tanks (RVT)and appurtenances such as office building, laboratory unit, guard house and generator house. As the high impact area includes the area from 50m radius from the sub-project site where direct activity during construction occurs, all the project components are located in the Direct Impact Zone (DIZ). The covered area for this project are ward no. 5, 7 and 8.

2.11.2. INDIRECT IMPACT ZONE

The area around the DIZ that could be indirectly affected due to project construction and implementation activities such as mobility of people, equipment, vehicles, noise, dust, vibration are demarcated as the Indirect Impact Zone (IIZ). Such area generally within 200m from the edges of the component sites where environmental and socio-economic impacts will be less.





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3. APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

Initial Environment Examination report will be based on this Terms of Reference to be approved by the Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation, GON. The general methodology to be used in the preparation of IEE report will be as follows:

A. DESK STUDY AND LITERATURE REVIEW

A desk review will be carried out with the following steps:

- i. Collection and review of secondary information from various sources
- ii. Initial interaction and consultation with the local community and district level stakeholders
- iii. Delineation of geographical boundary of the influence area on the topographical map
- iv. Preparation of sub-project specific checklist
- v. Collection and review of secondary sources of information from various sources

Secondary information will be collected through published and unpublished reports and interpretation of maps and photographs.

B. CONSULTATIONS

Initial interaction and consultation with the local community and district level stakeholders. During the IEE report preparation, Consultancy's Environmental team meet, discuss and interactwith concern staff of the Government of Nepal, DDC, and VDCs in the district head quarter and teachers, community based organization members and knowledgeable key persons of the surrounding areas within the Zone of Influence (ZoI).

Accordingly, delineation of the geographical boundary of the Zone of Influence area on the topomap will be done.

C. PREPARATION OF A PROJECT SPECIFIC CHECKLIST

A checklist is prepared to collect physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural environment-related information in the field. In addition, a Zol household survey questionnaire will be used to collect socio-economic information of the households. Data of following components will also be collected.

Physical- Topography, land use, air noise and water quality, geology, hydrology soil type, etc. Biological- Flora/Fauna, endangered species, NTFPs, etc.

Socio-Economic-Population, ethnicity, existing infrastructure, health facility, public utilities, economic status, etc.

D. IMPACT IDENTIFICATION

In order to identify the impact a preliminary exercise to solicit information from planners, policy makers, project components, concerned authorities and the user community will be conducted.

Similarly, the reports on hydrology and geo-hydrology, meteorology, geology and others related to the environment will also be reviewed.

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E. IMPACT PREDICTION

The consultant shall address the impact details by furnishing information on environmental Physical, Biological, Socio-economic and Cultural Environments. A description of relevant parts of the project, using maps with appropriate scale and photographs and aerial photographs, where necessary, including the following information: location, alignment, alternatives, design, standards, pre-construction, construction and post -construction activities, work schedule, staffing and support facilities and services shall be determined.

F. IMPACT EVALUATION

To evaluate the occurrence of the impact, information on mitigation; costs associated with construction activities (during design, construction and operation and maintenance activities) shall be included.

G. PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROGRAM AND PUBLIC NOTICE:

Public consultation program in the project area will be organized to inform the broader communities and to collect the feedbacks and suggestions regarding the issues. This program mainly focus on the awareness about the project plans and programs, building of mutual consensus about the implementation of the project, identification of the key issues to be considered during IEE study and project design.

The proponent will affix a notice in the office of Rapti Rural Municipality and concerned ward offices. Office of the DDC, schools at project area, hospitals, health post requesting the concerned authorities and individuals to offer their written opinion and suggestions within fifteen days with regard to the possible impact of the implementation of the proposal on the environment. The notice will also be published in the national daily newspaper. Deeds of the fixing of notice from the concerned offices will be collected and included within the report.

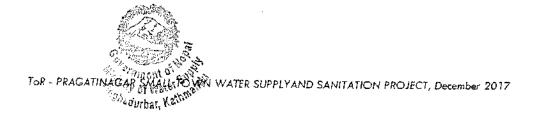
H. DATA ANALYSIS AND REPORT PREPARATION:

The data collected shall be analyzed to identify both the negative and positive impacts of the project on the existing environment. During this stage, the socio-economic profile prepared by the NGO shall also be considered for further verification before finalization and identifying and predicting the possible impacts both the adverse and beneficial. The consultant will submit the IEE Draft report within 45 days after approval of TOR. The draft IEE report will be presented to WUSC, local body representative etc. The consultant will incorporate the comments and suggestion made by PMO and WUSC. The consultant will submit the final IEE report within 7 days after receiving comments from PMO.

The proponent shall submit fifteen copies of the proposal to the concerned Ministry (MWSS) in accordance with Rule 10 of the EPR, 1997 for the approval of the proposal. Requirements as per ADB's SPS 2009 will be complied during the study and while preparation of the report.



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4. POLICIES, LAWS, RULES AND GUIDELINES

The IEE should also be conducted in compliance with the following Policies, laws, Acts, Regulations, Standards and Guidelines:

CONSTITUTION

The Constitution of Nepal, 2072

ACTS

National Park and Wild Life Conservation Act, 2030 BS (1974 AD)

Child Labour prohibition and Regulation Act, 2056 BS (2001 AD)

Soil and Watershed Area Conservation Act, 2039 BS (1983 AD)

Labour Act, 2048 BS (1992 AD)

Water Resources Act, 2049 BS (1992 AD)

Forest Act, 2049 BS (1992 AD)

Environment Protection Act, 2053 BS (1996 AD)

Local Self Governance Act, 2055 BS (1999 AD)

Aquatic Animals Protection Act, 1961 and First Amendment, 2055 BS (1999 AD)

Land Acquisition Act, 2034BS (1978 AD)

Solid Waste Management Act, 2011 AD

Industrial Enterprise Act, 1992 AD

Town Development Act, 1998 AD

RULES AND REGULATION

Forest Regulations, 2050 BS (1993 AD)

Environment Protection Rules, 2054 BS (with Amendments)

Local Self Governance Regulations, 2056 BS (2000 AD)

Water Supply and Sanitation Regulation, 2062 BS (2005 AD)

Solid Waste Management Rules, 2070 BS

Drinking Water Regulation, 1998 AD

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PLAN AND POLICIES

National Urban Policy, 2007 AD

Urban Environment Management Directives, 2011 AD

Rural Water Supply and Sanitation National Policy, Strategy and Action Plan, 2060 B.S. (2004 AD)

Water Supply and Sanitation National Policy and Strategy, 2060 B.S. (2004 AD)

Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Policy, 2066 B.S. (2009 AD)

ADB's "Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS)", 2066 BS (2009 AD)

National Wetland Policy, 2003 AD

STANDARDS, GUIDELINES AND STRATEGIES

National ElA Guidelines, 2050 B.S. (1993 AD)

National Drinking Water Quality Standards, 2062 B.S. (2005 AD)

Water Resources Strategy, 2055 B.S. (2002 AD)

National Ambient air Quality Standards, 2012 AD

Nepal Environmental Policy and Action Plan (NEPAP 1 and II), 1993/1998

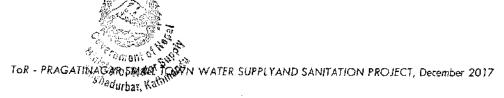
National Healthcare Waste Management Guideline, 2002 AD

Nepal's National Drinking Water Quality Standards, 2006 AD









5. TIME SCHEDULE AND BUDGET FOR IEE STUDY

Time schedule envisaged for the IEE study is as follows:

Duration: Within Two months of the approval of TOR.

Table 13: Proposed Schedule of work for IEE Report Preparation

5 N	ACTIVITÍES	1 WK	2 WK	3 WK	4 WK	5 WK	6 WK	D WK	8 WK
1	TOR Approval		-		<u> </u>			1	10.10
2	Public Notification	465.7	24,52		 		i	 	·· ·
3	Field investigation, experts view / focus group session and collection of public opinion					i			-
4	Preparation and submission of Draft Report]					
5	Collection of comments and suggestions	-				1	91. 91.7 U.V.A. 1921	P\$12016465	<u> </u>
6	Preparation and submission of Final Report							W. WAS PAIN	

The estimated budget for the IEE study is NRs 500,000.



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6. ANTICIPATED IMPACT OF THE PROJECT

A distinction shall be made between the potentially significant positive and adverse impacts and immediate and long term impacts. Impacts that are unavoidable or irreversible shall be identified. Where ever possible, the significant impacts shall be quantified in terms of environment costs and benefits. The impacts shall be identified mainly for the activities pre-construction and post construction (O&M) phase on the existing physical, biological and socio-economic resources.

As a part of the study, enhancement of the positive impacts shall also be carried out. The potential impacts that shall be assessed are grouped into three major impacts as follows:

6.1. BENEFICIAL IMPACTS

6.1.1. CONSTRUCTION PHASE

A. EMPLOYMENT GENERATION AND INCREASE IN INCOME

One of the major direct beneficial impacts of the water supply and sanitation project at construction stage is the creation of employment opportunity to the local community.

B. SKILL ENHANCEMENT

Although many people in the project area are found unskilled at present, the construction of the water supply system and the distribution network is likely to enhance their skills in plumbing, fittings and other construction works.

C. ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS PROMOTION

During construction period, different types of commercial activities will come into operation in order to cater the demand and requirement of workers. As money flow begins, they will regularly demand different food items, beverages and other daily needs.

6.1.2. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PHASE

A. IMPROVEMENT IN HEALTH AND SAVING OF TIME

After the water supply and sanitation project is complete, the people living within the project area will benefit from the supply of sufficient quantity and good quality water and improved sanitary conditions.

B. DEVELOPMENT OF MARKET CENTER

The availability of good supply of drinking water will accelerate development of market centers.

C. APPRECIATION OF LAND VALUE

One of the major benefits of the project is that the land price will increase due to the availability of reliable safe drinking water and sanitation system.

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D. WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Women and girls in particular will largely benefit from this project, as they are the ones who spend a great deal of time in fetching water. With the operation of the water supply scheme, this time will be saved.

E. QUALITY OF LIFE VALUES

The project may help to enhance the life quality of people by many ways, like by providing opportunities for jobs, providing good quality water, improved sanitation etc.

6.2. ADVERSE IMPACTS

6.2.1. PRE-CONSTRUCTION PHASE

The pre-construction works involved field survey and investigation, development of design & detailed drawings, carrying out cost estimate etc. This also includes discussion with WUSC and revision of design if necessary. Then bidding processes commence and finally the construction contract is awarded to the contractor.

6.2.2. CONSTRUCTIONPHASE

A. PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

Erosion and land surface disturbance

Construction activities may lead to erosion and caving thereby causing soil erosion, silt runoff, and unsetfling of street surfaces. The activity as such will be a nuisance and discomfort to the road users and inhabitants.

Damage to the Existing Facilities

During the construction time, while excavating the earth, existing water supply distribution pipe lines and telecommunication cable may get damaged in few places particularly in core areas in spite of great care.

Air and Noise pollution

The construction activity will comprise of construction, laying of transmission and distribution pipelines, construction of storage reservoirs, transport and installation of pumps. This may increase air pollution and noise nuisance.

Impact on water bodies

There will be some impacts on water bodies located within project area during construction phase.

Waste Management and Disposal

Lack of Proper waste management and disposal system may arise during construction period.

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B. BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT

The project area falls under built up area with agricultural land and no forest area is covered. Only scattered plants of local species and fruit plants are available within the sub-project area and thus slight impact to these is anticipated only during construction period.

Loss of vegetation cover

The loss of vegetation cover and species diversity due to earthwork primarily at direct impact area of deep well site will be minimum as these are located in open grass land within OHT premises. During the construction, there will be loss of shrubs cover rather than trees.

Impact on Fauna

The project site is mainly within the built up area. Population dynamics of resident and migratory birds and reptiles at the project site may be affected during construction period due to various construction activities.

Impact on aquatic life

Some of the construction activities works are proposed at the bank of river. These construction activities will physically disturb the water quality for certain period of time and may cause impact on aquatic life.

C. SOCIO-ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Disturbance to the community activities

Construction activities particularly construction works in the roads may cause disturbances to the community activities, festivals and social events.

Social Dispute and Dissatisfaction

There is possibility of influx of outside workforce. Their activities and consumption of local resources may cause conflicts with the local people. Use of public land for project infrastructures may also bring some remarks from the locals.

Occupational health and safety (OHS)

Safety and health of workers particularly of those involved in concreting, trench cutting, formwork and other construction activities is of prime concern.

6.2.3. POST-CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION PHASE

- i. Impacts on land resource and landscape aesthetics if decommissioning of construction facilities is not conducted in proper manner
- ii. Risk of health hazard if water supply system is not well maintained during leakages, and if disinfection is not well carried out

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6.3. PRIORITIZED ISSUES

Issues that are likely to occur during different phases of the construction have been prioritized as follows;

Table 14: Prioritized Issues

Project Phases and Environmental Issues	Physical	Biological	Socio-economic and Cultural		
Pre-Construction Phase	Degradation of source areas through repeated access	Access and site clearance can affect the vegetation, especially at source and reservoir sites	Concerns of water rights		
	Concerns during taking of test borings	Disturbance to wildlife	Issues of land requirement for project structures		
Construction Phase	Disturbance to land-surface during construction of project components	Vegetation may be lost during construction of project components and during pipe laying works	Local festive and cultural activities, and social events may be disturbed due to construction activities		
	Loss of top-soil	Disposal of spoil and waste onto water bodies may impact the aquatic lives	Social disharmony due to influx of outside workforce could be an issue		
	In-use roads, electrical poles etc may be disturbed due to laying of transmission and distribution pipelines	illegal hunting by workforce, encroachment of wild habitats could take place	Competitive sense of employment opportunities among the locals and outside workforce could bring conflicts		
	Drying of water sources could be an issue		Elderly and young ones, and the people travelling to work and market may face health and safety challenges, especially if quarries and ditches are not well		

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	Ambient air pollution due to use of vehicles and equipment, its associate noise and vibration effects		Health and safety of the workers, e.g. workers involved in construction of water tanks, pipe-laying may have injuries, etc
Post Construction and Operation Phase	If campsites and temporary facilities are not well decommissioned after the completion of construction works, this may impact on local land aesthetics	Discharge of slurry from treatment plants onto water bodies may negatively affect the aquatic lives	if the water supply system is not well operated and maintained, there may be chances of supply of polluted water to its users
	Issues of ground water level		

6.4. MITIGATION MEASURE

Suitable, cost effective and environment friendly mitigation measures shall be recommended during the preparation of IEE report for all the perceived impacts in order to minimize the environmental impacts of project implementation, in general the following area shall be covered while preparing mitigation measures:

- i. Project design and preparation phase
- ii. Project construction phase
- iii. Project operation and maintenance phase

Concerned agencies; TSTWSSSP, DWSS, WSSDO and local agencies, local administration office shall be consulted during the implementation of mitigation measures. National EIA Guidelines 1993 will be used for significance analysis of impacts.

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ANALYSES OF ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT

The study will consider different project alternatives for selection of the best option to achieve the sustainability of the proposed development works. Following are the significant alternatives to be considered during the study;

7.1. DESIGN

Alternative designs of project will be examined and analyzed to select most appropriate design of the proposed project so that the project caters best of its services to the project area. In doing so, environmental consideration and safety point of view will be given due considerations and will be analyzed accordingly.

7.2. PROJECT SITE

Alternative sites will be considered and studied in the process so as to avoid significant environmental impacts. The options will primarily focus on reducing the felling of trees, avoiding disturbance on the wildlife habitats, avoiding the damage to public/private infrastructures and avoiding disturbances to local services, etc.

7.3 TECHNOLOGY, PROCEDURE OF OPERATION, TIME SCHEDULE, AND RAW MATERIALS TO BE USED

The study will analyze different technology, procedures of operation, time - schedule and raw materials to be used to select the best alternative among them. The technological alternatives will include fully-mechanized, semi-mechanized, labor-intensive, labor-based etc options of proposal implementation. Similarly methods of operation whether contractor based, community based, labor base or a mix of them will also be assessed.

Procedures of operation will be assessed in terms of round the year operation and peak-time operation services; types and specifications of equipments to be used, etc will also be assessed in terms of needs as well as demand in the area. Schedule of implementation of the proposal works including agricultural off-season, monsoon season, day and night time working etc will be assessed.

Alternative resources required for the proposed works, including cement, steel, gabion boulders, gravel, earth, sand, bioengineering sapling, etc will be assessed.

7.3. OTHER FACTORS

The study will also consider different options of project implementation. The IEE study will examine different alternatives for the environmental management system. The options will be assessed based on the institutional structures of the project implementation, monitoring options, extent of participation of the stakeholders, role of local bodies, including NGOs/CBOs etc.

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8. MITIGATION MEASURES

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- Project design and preparation Phase
- Project construction phase ii.
- Project operation and maintenance phase iii.

The IEE team will study the mitigation measures for all the identified significant impacts and incorporate them in the report. The proponent will identify the most suitable of measures to prevent or to reduce significant adverse impacts. Measures to enhance beneficial project impacts will also be presented. The mitigation measures will deal separately for physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural environments in both the construction and operation phases. The proponent will be responsible for the implementation of environmental mitigation and enhancement program mentioned in IEE report.

The mitigation measures shall be specific and developed by applying a pragmatic approach that is technically and economically feasible, socially acceptable, and preferably of proven effectiveness. The cost required for each and every mitigation measure and enhancement measures will be estimated and incorporated in IEE report. Cost of mitigation and enhancement measures will be categorized in terms of construction and operation phases.

The enhancement and mitigation measures will be categorized in terms of the physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural environment for the construction and operation phases. A matrix of impact and mitigation measures shall also be included in the IEE report.

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9. MATTERS TO BE MONITORED WHILE IMPLEMENTING THE PROJECT

9.1. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

The project proponent has to develop on Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to systematically manage all the perceived environmental impacts of the project. It shall be therefore based on the mitigation measures for the project induced impacts. An Environmental Management Plan (EMP) has a dual purpose. It is designed to monitor the contractor's work during project implementation. It helps to check contractual compliance with specified mitigation measures. It also helps in making periodic checks on the actual environmental impacts of the Project over the years following completion of the works, and compares these with those impacts anticipated at the time of Project appraisal. The EMP therefore provides the necessary feedback required for correcting potentially serious Project deficiencies, and for planning of other projects.

The EMP shall include the responsibilities of different stakeholders based on preliminary plans and schedules. This program shall include measures required during the project design, construction and operational phases and shall include recommendations on allocation of components of the EMP to the various parties involved. Feasible and cost-effective measures to prevent/mitigate/reduce significant negative impacts should be recommended in an Environmental Management Plan. The impacts and costs associated with implementing the measures will have to be detailed. The EMP will include proposed work programs, budget estimates, schedules, staffing and training requirements, and other support services to implement the mitigating measures.

9.2. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PLAN

The project will develop Environmental Monitoring Program for the pre-construction, construction and post construction activities of the project. The program will evaluate:

- i. The extent and severity of the adverse environmental impacts as compared to what was predicted,
- ii. How effective the mitigating measures were and compliance with the regulations and
- iii. Overall effectiveness of the EMP.

The environmental monitoring of the project includes field supervision and reporting of project activities prior to and during the project construction and operation in order to ensure that the works are being carried out in accordance to the approved design and that the environmental mitigation measures are fully implemented in accordance with the EMP.

The WRDSMC will prepare progress reports on EMP implementation and submits to relevant agencies on regular basis. The RPMO Nepalgunj will supervise the environmental monitoring activities undertaken by WRDSMC.

Monitoring of the mitigation measures during the construction and operation phase will be mainly considered the impacts of followings:

Construction Phase: Soil erosion, sedimentation and slope stabilization; spoil-tip profection and management; stock taking of species of urban vegetation during vegetation clearance along pipeline alignments and re-plantation; change in hydrology and morphology of streams



and rivers; water, air and noise (vibration) pollution; solid waste; land intake and compensation; reinstatement of damaged structures and services; crime and community stress; health, safety and sanitation of the work force and camps; archaeological and cultural sites and chance finds; and traffic management.

Operation Phase: Discharge of water during plant maintenance, leakage, backwash, treatment operations; silt disposal; quality of drinking water supplies; pipe flushing.

Manitaring mechanism: The monitoring mechanism during construction will be of regular type whereas baseline monitoring, compliance monitoring and process monitoring shall have to be done during the operation and maintenance phase. The monitoring team shall visit the project site and monitor the effectiveness of the implementation of mitigation measures.

9.3. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE, PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND PARTICIPATION

Public consultation is the process of exchanging information with those persons and organizations with a legitimate interest in a project and/or who are likely to be affected by the project (stakeholders). It is a two-way process that informs and involves the community in developing a project, and informs the proponent about issues and concerns, which can then be addressed in project design. Information disclosure involves stakeholders in monitoring the development and implementation of a project and fosters openness in decision-making by presenting documents and other project materials for public scrutiny.

The consultation and disclosure involves consultation with stakeholders at an early stage of project preparation, and throughout project implementation. As a minimum, stakeholders will be consulted regarding the scope of the environmental study before work has commenced inversely, and should then be informed about the likely impacts of the project and proposed mitigation once the draft IEE report is under preparation. The report should record the views of stakeholders and indicate how these have been taken into account in project development.

Information is disclosed through public consultation and more formally by making documents and other materials available in a form and at a location in which they can be easily accessed by stakeholders. This normally involves making draft reports available (in the local language) at public locations in the community and providing a mechanism for the receipt of comments and making documents available more widely.

Public consultation and involvement should be given highest priority in the implementation of mitigation measures. Public consultation should take place and on the basis of decision of the consultation meeting, implementation of mitigation measures should be prioritized and should be carried out with the involvement of the local people.

Monitoring is one of the components of EMP. The results of monitoring should also be disclosed in the form of demonstration, charts, figures, graphs, and samples, etc. to the local people, school students and other interested stakeholders. In the process of compliance monitoring of the project construction, local people and construction workers should be consulted.

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9.4. GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM

The Town Project Coordination Committee (TPCC), Pragatinagar will be responsible to address the issues and problems roised by the local communities regarding the loss of assets, water and sanitation etc. during the implementation of the project. The TPCC, Pragatinagar shall ask the Environment Specialist of the DSMC to assist in the handling of grievances and the community level stakeholders should be encouraged to help in the handling of grievances at the project sites.

The affected person / community will submit grievances / complaints to the TPCC. The TPCC will try to solve the grievance at the project level. If the grievance cannot be solved at the project level, TPCC will forward it to Director General (DG)'s Office at Kathmandu through TSTWSSSP.



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10. OTHER NECESSARY MATTRS/IEE REPORT FORMAT

The report shall include all cited information, reference lists, maps, graphs, photographs, tables and charts, graphs, and questionnaires used during the IEE study as per the ERR 1997. The IEE Report will be prepared based on Schedule-5 (pertaining to Rule 7) of the EPR 1997.

IEE report shall be prepared as per this TOR and shall be submitted to MWSS through TSTWSSSP. The basic format of the report will be in accordance with the EPR, 1997 and National EIA Guidelines, 1993. Land use map of location sites, letters obtained from the stakeholders in response to public notification, and the newspaper cut piece of public notification and no objection letter from local authorities will be included in the IEE report. Similarly, wherever applicable maps, photographs, tables and matrix shall be presented. The format for the IEE report should include, but not be limited to the following:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INSTITUTION PREPARING THE REPORT

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSAL

- 2.1. BACKGROUND
- 2.2. NEED OF THE SUB-PROJECT
- 2.3. OBJECTIVES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY
- 2.4. SCOPE OF IEE
- 2.5. RELEVANCY OF IEE

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- 3.1. THE STUDY AREA
- 3.2. THE SUB-PROJECT
- 3.3. EXISTING SITUATIONS
- 3.4. SIZE AND MAGNITUDE OF OPERATION
- 3.5. PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF IMPLEMENTATION
- 3.6. COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT
- 3.7. LAND REQUIREMENTS AND COMPENSATION
- 3.8. CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION ACTIVITIES OF THE PROJECT

REVIEW OF ACTS/RULES, PLANS/POLICIES, GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS

- 4.1. POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS
- 4.2. CONVENTIONS
- 4.3. OTHER DOCUMENTS
- 4.4. RELEVANT STANDARDS

IEE STUDY METHODOLOGY

- 5.1. DESK STUDY AND IMPACT AREA DELINEATION
- 5,2, FIELD WORK
- 5.3. DATA PROCESSING
- 5.4. CONSULTATION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

DESCRIPTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

6.1. PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Topography, Geology and Soils

Land Use

Climate

Water Resources

Air quality

Noise levels





ANNEXES

Annex I: Reference literature

Annex II: Distribution System Division Map of the Project

Annex III: Rapid Environmental Assessment (REA) Checklists for IEE study

Annex IV: General Socio Economic and Environmental Checklists for IEE study

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Annex I: Distribution System Division Map of the Project

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Annex III:

ADB'S RAPID ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (REA) CHECKLIST FOR IEE STUDY OF PRATINAGAR SMALL TOWN WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION **PROJECT**

Screening Questions	Yes	No	Remarks
A. Project Siting			
Is the project area		1	
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Adjacent to or within any environmentally sensitive areas?		No	
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Cultural heritage site	İ		
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Wetland	Ì	l No	
Mangrove	_	No	
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☐ Buffer zone of protected area		No	
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Special area for protecting biodiversity		No	!
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B. Potential Environmental Impacts			
Will the Project cause		<u>l</u>	
pollution of raw water supply from upstream wastewater		No	• •
discharge from communities, industries, agriculture, and soil			
erosion runoff?		-	
☐impairment of historical/cultural monuments/areas and	1	. No.	·
loss/damage to these sites?		No.	
hazard of land subsidence caused by excessive ground		No	
water pumping?		No	
social conflicts arising from displacement of communities?	. [1
conflicts in abstraction of raw water for water supply with		No	
other beneficial water uses for surface and ground waters?			
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unsatisfactory raw water supply (e.g. excessive pathogens		No	Lab tests will be the basis
or mineral constituents)?			
deliveryof unsafe water to distribution system?		No	
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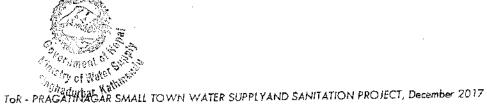
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inadequate protection of intake works or wells, leading to pollution of water supply?		No	
over pumping of ground water, leading to satinization and ground subsidence?		No	
excessive algat growth in storage reservoir?		No	
☐ increase in production of sewage beyond capabilities of community facilities?		No	
inadequate disposal of sludge from water treatment plants?		No	
inadequate buffer zone around pumping and treatment plants to alleviate noise and other possible nuisances and protect facilities?		No	
impairments associated with transmission lines and access roads?	Yes		Options for minimum disturbance will be taken into account
health hazards arising from inadequate design of facilities for receiving, storing, and handling of chlorine and other hazardous chemicals.		No	Standard procedures, precautions and provisions will be adopted
health and safety hazards toworkers from handling and management of chlorine used for disinfection, other contaminants, and biological and physical hazards during project construction and operation?		No	
dislocation of involuntary resettlement of people?		No	
☐ disproportionate impacts on the poor, women and children, indigenous Peoples or other vulnerable groups?		No	
noise and dust from construction activities?	Yes		Minimal
increased road traffic due to interference of construction activities?		No	
continuing soil erosion/silt runoff from construction operations?		No	
delivery of unsafe water due to poor O&M treatment processes (especially mud accumulations in filters) and inadequate chlorination due to lack of adequate monitoring of chlorine residuals in distribution systems?		No	
delivery of water to distribution system, which is corrosive due to inadequate attention to feeding of corrective chemicals?		No	
accidentalleakage of chlorine gas?		No	
Dexcessive abstraction of water affecting downstream water users?		No	
competing uses of water?		No	
increased sewage flow due to increased water supply	Yes		
increased volume of sullage (wastewater from cooking and washing) and sludge from wastewater treatment plant	Yes		
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social conflicts if workers from other regions or countries are hired?	Yes		Concerns of social disharmony
☐ risks to community health and safety due to the transport, storage, and use and/or disposal of materials such as explosives, fuel and other chemicals during operation and construction?		No	
communitysafety risks due to both accidental and natural hazards, especially where the structural elements or components of the project are accessible to members of the affected community or where their failure could result in injury to the community throughout project construction, operation and decommissioning?		No	
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C. Potential Environmental Impacts Will the Project cause			
□impairment of historical/cultural monuments/areas and loss/damage to these sites?		No	
□interference with other utilities and blocking of access to buildings; nuisance to neighboring areas due to noise, smell, and influx of insects, rodents, etc.?	Yes		Minimal effects
dislocation or involuntary resettlement of people?		No	
□disproportionate impacts on the poor, women and children, Indigenous Peoples or other vulnerable groups?		No	
☐impairment of downstream water quality due to inadequate sewage treatment or release of untreated sewage?	,	No	
□overflows and flooding of neighboring properties with raw sewage?		No	
□lenvironmental pollution due to inadequate studge disposal or industrial waste discharges illegally disposed in sewers?		No	
noise and vibration due to blasting and other civil works?.	Yes		Minimal level
I risks and vulnerabilities related to occupational health and safety due to physical, chemical, and biological hazards during project construction and operation?	Yes		
discharge of hazardous materials into sewers, resulting in damage to sewer system and danger to workers?		No	,
inadequate buffer zone around pumping and treatment plants to alleviate noise and other possible nuisances, and protect facilities?		No	
☐ roàd blocking and temporary flooding due to land excavation during the rainy season?		No	
noise and dust from construction activities?	Yes		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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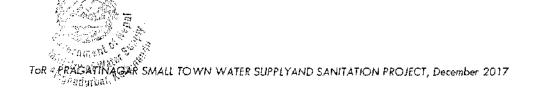


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traffic disturbances due to construction material transport and wastes?		No	
temporarysilt runoff due to construction?	1	No	
hazards to public health due to overflow flooding, and groundwater pollution due to failure of sewerage system?		No	
disposal or direct discharge of untreated sewage water?		No	
□ contamination of surface and ground waters due to sludge disposal on land?		No	
☐ health and safety hazards to workers from toxic gases and hazardous materials which may be contained in confined areas, sewage flow and exposure to pathogens in untreated sewage and unstabilized sludge?		No	
large population increase during projectionstruction and operation that causes increased burden on social infrastructure (such as sanitation system)?		No	
social conflicts between construction workers from other areas and community workers?	Yes		Slight possibility during construction phase
I risks to community health and safety due to the transport, storage, and use and/or disposal of materials such as explosives, fuel and other chemicals during construction and operation?		No	
☐ communitysafety risks due to both accidental and natural hazards, especially where the structural elements or components of the project are accessible to members of the affected community or where their failure could result in injury to the community throughout project construction, operation and decommissioning?	Yes		Concerns of accidental possibilities during construction phase
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ANNEX IV:

General Socioeconomic and Environmental Checklists/Questionnaires

Checklist for Physical Environment

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A. Topography/Physiography

- 1. Study of Topographic maps/ other available maps and identify the ground topographic characteristics of land covered by the proposed project
- 2. Verify the topographic characteristics of the land in the field
- 3. Soil Type

B. Climate and Meteorology

- 1. Study of published data of regarding temperature, rainfall, humidity, wind speed and direction, solar radiation
- 2. If possible classify the climatic zone and its verification
- 3. Visit the meteorological office of the district and get latest information

C. Air Quality

- 1. Collect any data on air quality of the area from previous literature
- 2. Investigate on the air polluting activities of the area (traffic, biomass burning, industries, other anthropogenic activities

D. Erosion and land Stability

- 1. Identification of erosion prone area along the pipeline alignment
- 2. Investigate the erosion features and potentials of the local streams and gullies

E. Land Use

- Investigate on the land use of the Project Blocks from the topo-maps, and other available land use maps
- 2. Investigate the land use affected by the project structures and subsidiary facilities
- 3. Investigate on the land use potentials of the area

Checklist for Plant Resources

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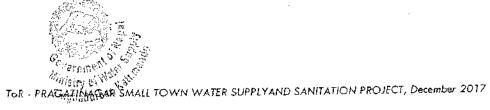
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ANNEX 2: ENIRONMENTAL STANDARDS, SAMPLE FORMS, FORMATS AND REPORTING TEMPLATE



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ANNEX 2-A: RELEVANT ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY STANDARDS

Ambient Air Quality Standards

		Nepal's	WHO Air Quality Guidelines (µg/m²) **		
Parameter	Averaging Period	Ambient Air Quality	Global Update	Second Edition *	
<u> </u>		Standard (µg/m²) *	2005	2000	
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	10-minute	-	500	•	
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	24-hour	80	•	-	
	1-hour	-	200	-	
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	15-minute	100,000	•	100,000	
Pb	1-year	0.5	•	0.5	
Benzene	1-year	20	•	-"-	

National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nepal, 2003. Obtained from Environment Statistics of Repal 2011, Government of Nepal, National Planning Commission Secretariat, Central Bureau of Statistics, Kathmandu, Nepal.

** Environmental, Health and Safety General Guidelines, 2007. International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group.

* Air Quality Guidelines for Europe, Second Edition, 2000. WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen.

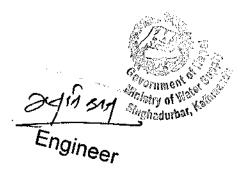
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Noise Level Standards

			WHO Guide	line Values	
Receptor / Source	National Noise Stand	lard Guidelines, 2012 IB)	for Noise Levels Measured Out of Doors * (One Hour Last in dBA)		
	Day	Night	anyonnyon manasatanta di sua manusulung	22:00 - 07:00	
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Commercial area	6 5	55	10		
Rural residential area	45	40		45	
Urban residential area	55	50	5 5		
Mixed residential area	63	55		The state of the s	
Quiet area	50	40		-	
Water pump	(i5		•	
Diesel generator) 0	-		

Guidelines for Community Noise, WHO, 1999.

Source: Environmental, Health and Safety General Guidelines, 2007. International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group.







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	Cadimium	raga ³	0.003	0.003		
	Chromum	mg/A	0.05	0.06		
	Cyanide	भावस	0.07	none		
	Flucride	मधुर्वे	0.5 · 1.5 *	1.5		
	Lead	Tuen.	9.01	0.01		
	Americansa	tangali	1.5	none established		
	Chloride	स्माध्य	250	none established		
	Sulphate	Ngm	250	попе		
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	Copper	mg/l	1	2		
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	Zinc	mg/l	3	none established		
	Mercury	mg/l	0.001	0.006		
	Atumirum	mg/l	0.2	none established		
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- * Heath-based guideline values
- ** Figures in parenthesis are upper range of the standards recommended.
- 4 These standards indicate the maximum and minimum limits.
- 44 From WHO (2003) Chlorine in Drinking-water, which states that this value is conservative.
- Parameter with WHO guideline value as more stringent than national standard value.

National Drinking Water Quality Standards was obtained from the Environment Statistics of Napal 2011, Government of Napal, National Planning Commission Secretariat, Central Bureau of Statistics, Kathmandu, Napal

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ANNEX 2-B: SAMPLE GRIEVANCE REDRESS FORM (To be available in Nepalese and English)

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ANNEX C: SAMPLE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

SAMPLE: TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN (TMP)

A. Principles

One of the prime objectives of this TMP is to ensure the safety of all the road users along the work zone, and to address the following issues:

- > the safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists travelling through the construction zone;
- > protection of work crews from hazards associated with moving traffic;
- > mitigation of the adverse impact on road capacity and delays to the road users;
- > maintenance of access to adjoining properties
- > Avoid hazards in addressing issues that may delay the project.

B. Operating Policies for TMP

The following principles will help promote safe and efficient movement for all road users (motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians, including persons with disabilities) through and around work zones while reasonably protecting workers and equipment.

- Make traffic safety and temporary traffic control an integral and high-priority element of every project from planning through design, construction, and maintenance.
- > Inhibit traffic movement as little as possible.
- Provide clear and positive guidance to drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians as they approach and travel through the temporary traffic control zone.
- Inspect traffic control elements routinely, both day and night, and make modifications when necessary.
- > Pay increased attention to roadside safety in the vicinity of temporary traffic control zones.
- > Train all persons that select, place, and maintain temporary traffic control devices.
- > Keep the public well informed.
- Make appropriate accommodation for abutting property owners, residents, businesses, emergency services, railroads, commercial vehicles, and transit operations.

C. Analyze the impact due to street closure

Apart from the capacity analysis, a final decision to close a particular street and divert the traffic should involve the following steps:

- > approval from the ICG, local administration to use the local streets as detours;
- > consultation with businesses, community members, traffic police, PWD, etc, regarding the mitigation measures necessary at the detours where the road is diverted during the construction;
- > determining of the maximum number of days allowed for road closure, and incorporation of such provisions into the contract documents;
- > determining if additional traffic control or temporary improvements are needed along the detour route;
- considering how access will be provided to the worksite;
- contacting emergency service, school officials, and transit authorities to determine if there are impacts to their operations; and
- developing a notification program to the public so that the closure is not a surprise. As part of this program, the public should be advised of alternate routes that commuters can take or will have to take as result of the traffic diversion.

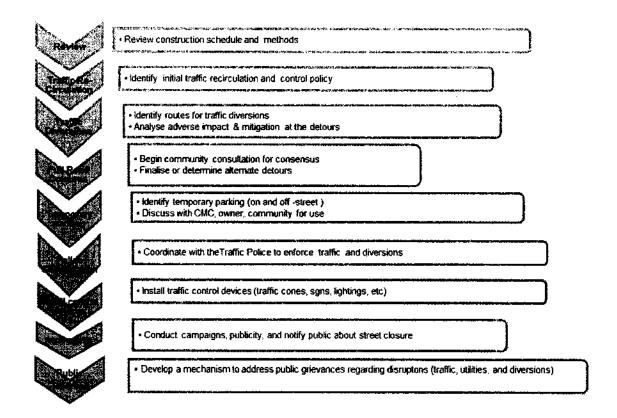
If full road-closure of certain streets within the area is not feasible due to inadequate capacity of the Detour Street or public opposition, the full closure can be restricted to weekends with the construction commencing on Saturday night and ending on Monday morning prior to the morning peak period.

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Policy Steps for the TMP

D. Public awareness and notifications

As per discussions in the previous sections, there will be travel delays during the constructions, as is the case with most construction projects, albeit on a reduced scale if utilities and traffic management are properly coordinated. There are additional grounds for travel delays in the area, as most of the streets lack sufficient capacity to accommodate additional traffic from diverted traffic as a result of street closures to accommodate the works.

The awareness campaign and the prior notification for the public will be a continuous activity which the project will carry out to compensate for the above delays and minimize public claims as result of these problems. These activities will take place sufficiently in advance of the time when the roadblocks or traffic diversions take place at the particular streets. The reason for this is to allow sufficient time for the public and residents to understand the changes to their travel plans. The project will notify the public about the roadblocks and traffic diversion through public notices, ward level meetings and city level meeting with the elected representatives.

The ICG will also conduct an awareness campaign to educate the public about the following issues:

- traffic control devices in place at the work zones (signs, traffic cones, barriers, etc.);
- defensive driving behavior along the work zones; and
- > reduced speeds enforced at the work zones and traffic diversions.

It may be necessary to conduct the awareness programs/campaigns on road safety during construction.

The campaign will cater to all types of target groups i.e. children, adults, and drivers. Therefore, these campaigns will be conducted in schools and community centers. In addition, the project will publish a brochure for public information. These brochures will be widely circulated around the area and will also be available at the ICG, and the contractor's site office. The text of the brochure should be concise to be effective, with a lot of graphics. It will serve the following purpose:

Explain why the browning was prepared, along with a brief description of the project was prepared.

- Advise the public to expect the unexpected;
- Educate the public about the various traffic control devices and safety measures adopted at the work zones:
- Educate the public about the safe road user behavior to emulate at the work zones;
- > Tell the public how to stay informed or where to inquire about road safety issues at the work zones (name, telephone, mobile number of the contact person; and
- Indicate the office hours of relevant offices.

E. Vehicle Maintenance and Safety

A vehicle maintenance and safety program shall be implemented by the construction contractor. The contractor should ensure that all the vehicles are in proper running condition and it comply with roadworthy and meet certification standards of GoN. All vehicles to be used at STWSSP shall be in perfect condition meeting pollution standards of GoN. The vehicle operator requires a pre state of shift checklist. Additional safety precautions will include the requirement for:

- Driver will follow the special code of conduct and road safety rules of Government of Nepal.
- > Drivers to ensure that all loads are covered and secured drivers to ensure operation equipment can't leak materials hauled
- Vehicles will be cleaned and maintained in designed places.

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F. Install traffic control devices at the work zones and traffic diversion routes

The purpose of installing traffic control devices at the work zones is to delineate these areas to warn, inform, and direct the road users about a hazard ahead, and to protect them as well as the workers. As proper delineation is a key to achieve the above objective, it is important to install good traffic signs at the work zones. The following traffic control devices are used in work zones:

- Signs
- Pavement Markings
- Channelizing Devices
- Arrow Panels
- Warning Lights

Procedures for installing traffic control devices at any work zone vary, depending on road configuration, location of the work, construction activity, duration, traffic speed and volume, and pedestrian traffic. Work will take place along major roads, and the minor internal roads. As such, the traffic volume and road geometry vary. The main roads carry considerable traffic; internal roads in the new city areas are wide but in old city roads very narrow and carry considerable traffic. However, regardless of where the construction takes place, all the work zones should be cordoned off, and traffic shifted away at least with traffic cones, barricades, and temporary signs (temporary "STOP" and "GO").

The work zone should take into consideration the space required for a buffer zone between the workers and the traffic (lateral and longitudinal) and the transition space required for delineation, as applicable. For the works, a 30 cm clearance between the traffic and the temporary STOP and GO signs should be provided. In addition, at least 60 cm is necessary to install the temporary traffic signs and cones.

Traffic police should regulate traffic away from the work zone and enforce the traffic diversion result from full street closure in certain areas during construction. Flaggers/ personnel should be equipped with reflective jackets at all times and have traffic control batons (preferably the LED type) for regulating the traffic during night time.

In addition to the delineation devices, all the construction workers should wear fluorescent safety vests and helmets in order to be visible to the motorists at all times. There should be provision for lighting beacons and illumination for night constructions.

The ICG and contractor will coordinate with the local administration and traffic police regarding the traffic signs, detour, and any other matters related to traffic. The contractor will prepare the traffic management plan in detail and submit it along with the EMP for the final approval.





ANNEX D: SPOIL MANAGEMENT PLAN

Spoil Management Plan (SMP)

Purpose and application: SMP is to describe how STWSSP will manage the spoil generated and reuse related to design and construction works. This is an integral part of EMP. The objective of SMP is to reuse of spoil from works in accordance with the spoil management hierarchy outlined in this document.

Objectives of SMP: The objectives of SMP are:

- > To minimize spoil generation where possible
- > Maximize beneficial reuse of spoil from construction works in accordance with spoil management hierarchy
- Mange onsite spoil handling to minimize environmental impacts on resident and other receivers
- Minimize any further site contamination of land, water, soil
- Manage the transportation of spoil with consideration of traffic impacts and transport related emissions

Structure of SMP:

- Section 1: Introduction of SMP
- Section 2: Legal and other requirements
- Section 3: Roles and responsibilities
- Section 4: Identification and assessment of spoil aspects and impacts
- Section 5: Spoil volumes, characteristics and minimization
- Section 6: Spoil reuses opportunities, identification and assessment
- Section 7: On site spoil management approach
- Section 8: Spoil transportation methodology
- Section 9: Monitoring, Reporting, Review, and Improvements

Aspects and Potential Impacts

The key aspects of potential impacts in relation to SMP are listed in table below

Aspects	Potential Impacts			
Air Quality	Potential for high winds generating airborne dust from the stock piles			
Sedimentation	Potential for sediment laden site runoff from spoil stockpiles and potential for spillage of spoil from truck on roads			
Surface and Groundwater	Contamination of water (surface and ground water)			
Noise	Associated with spoil handling and haulage and storage			
Traffic	Impacts associated with spoil haulage			
Land Use	Potential for spoil to be transported to a receivable site that doesn't have permission for storage/disposal			
Design specifications	Limitations on opportunities to minimize spoil generation			
Sustainability	Limited sites for storage, reuse opportunities			

Spoil volumes, Characteristics and Minimization

Spoil volume calculations: Estimate the volumes of spoils produced from each of the construction sites.

Characterization of spoil: Based on the type of spoil; characterization is done (sand stone, MWSS mix materials, reusable materials

Adopt Spoil Reduce, Reuse Opportunities

An overview of the assessment methodology to be used is mentioned below.

- > Consideration of likely spoil characteristics
- > Identification of possible reuse sites
- > Screening of possible reuse opportunities

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Identification of possible safe disposal sites for spoil: Those spoils which can't be reuse shall be properly disposed in designated areas, such disposal areas should be identified in project locations. Such disposal areas should be safe from environmental aspects and there should be any legal and resettlement related issues. Such areas need to be identified and prior cliental approval should be obtained to use it as spoil disposal area. The local administration must be consulted and if required permission should be obtained from them.

Storage and stock piling

Transportation and haulage route

Based on the above, the contractor will prepare a SMP as an integral part of EMP and submit it to the DSMC for their review and approval.

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES AND REMEDIAL ACTIONS

> Summary of follow up time-bound actions to be taken within a set timeframe.

Appendixes

- Photos
- > Summary of consultations
- Copies of environmental clearances and permits
- Sample of environmental site inspection Report
- ➤ Others





ANNEX E: SAMPLE SEMI-ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING REPORT TEMPLATE

This template must be included as an appendix in the EIA/IEE that will be prepared for the project. It can be adapted to the specific project as necessary.

INTRODUCTION

- > Overall project description and objectives
- > Description of sub-projects
- Environmental category of the sub-projects
- > Details of site personnel and/or consultants responsible for environmental monitoring
- Overall project and sub-project progress and status

N	Sub-Project	Status of Sub-	Project		n pad P	List of	Progress
0.	Name	Design	Pre- Construction	Construction	Operational	Works	of Works

COMPLIANCE STATUS WITH NATIONAL/STATE/LOCAL STATUTORY ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

No.	Sub-Project Name	Statutory Environmental Requirements	Status of Compliance	Action Required

COMPLIANCE STATUS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LOAN COVENANTS

No. (List schedule and paragraph number of Loan	Covenant	Status of Compliance	Action Required
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COMPLIANCE STATUS WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING PLAN

- Provide the monitoring results as per the parameters outlined in the EMP. Append supporting documents where applicable, including Environmental Site Inspection Reports.
- There should be Reporting on the following items which can be incorporated in the checklist of routine Environmental Site Inspection Report followed with a summary in the semi-annual Report send to ADB. Visual assessment and review of relevant site documentation during routine site inspection needs to note and record the following:
- What are the dust suppression techniques followed for site and if any dust was noted to escape the site boundaries:
- Adequacy of type of erosion and sediment control measures installed on site, condition of erosion and sediment control measures including if these were intact following heavy rain;
- > Are their designated areas for concrete works, and refueling;
- Are their spill kits on site and if there are site procedure for handling emergencies;
- > Is there any chemical stored on site and what is the storage condition?
- > Is there any dewatering activities if yes, where is the water being discharged;
- How are the stockpiles being managed;
- How is solid and liquid waste being handled on site;
- Review of the complaint management system;
- Checking if there are any activities being under taken out of working hours and how that is being managed.

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Summary Monitoring Table

Impacts (List from IEE)	Mitigation Measures (List from IEE)	Parameters Monitored (As a minimum those identified in the IEE should be monitored)	Method of Monitoring	Location of Monitoring	Date of Monitoring Conducted	Name of Person Who Conducted the Monitoring
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Overall Compliance with CEMP/EMP

No.	Sub-Project Name	EMP/CEMP Part of Contract Documents (Y/N)	CEMP/EMP Being Implemented (Y/N)	Status of Implementation (Excellent/ Satisfactory/ Partially Satisfactory/ Below Satisfactory)	Action Proposed & Additional Measures Required

APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING OF THE PROJECT Brief description on the approach and methodology used for environmental monitoring of each sub-project

MONITORING OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON PROJECT SURROUNDINGS (AMBIENT AIR, WATER QUALITY AND NOISE LEVELS)

- > Brief discussion on the basis for monitoring
- > Indicate type and location of environmental parameters to be monitored
- > Indicate the method of monitoring and equipment to be used
- > Provide monitoring results and an analysis of results in relation to baseline data and statutory requirements

As a minimum the results should be presented as per the tables below.

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Noise Quality Results

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ANNEX F: SAMPLE ENVIRONMENTAL SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Project Name Contract Number				
NAME:		DATE:		
TITLE:		DMA:		
LOCATION:	<u></u>	_ GROUP:		
WEATHER CONDITION:				
INITIAL SITE CONDITION:				
CONCLUDING SITE CONDITION:				
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INCIDENT: Nature of incident:				
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		Survey		
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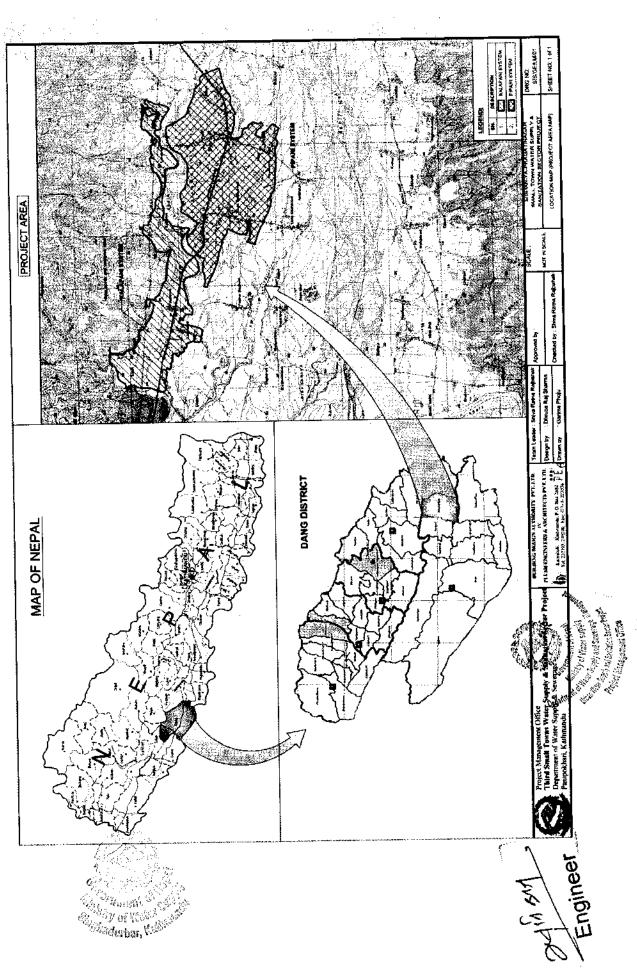
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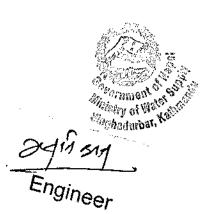




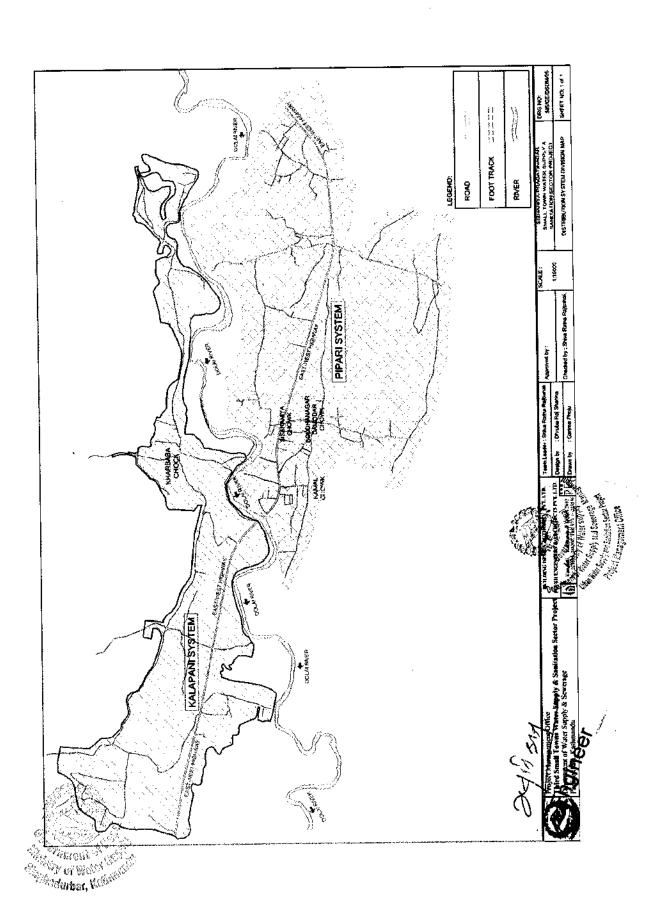




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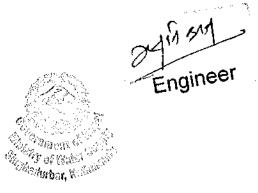
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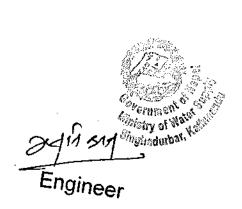
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प्राण मिति अध्यसाल नेत्र र गति घस मगातिनगर स्माना सहरी रकानेपानी तथा सर्यामाई भाषीजना को बैठक संख्याका अध्यक्त श्री ग्रात्मराज क्रांमा की अख्यासतामा बास निम्नानुसार के उपस्थिती मा तपसिल बमाजिमका निषय हुड गरिया। उपाधिती १. अध्यक्ष- श्री ज्ञान्त्यान क्राम् ३ ह्याध्यस द्वी भिमा आन्याय ष्ट्र. सिचेब क्षी सीम ताथ बलाड ४ केंचाध्यस श्री अर्जन क अधिकारी श्री भरत प्रसार पाके सम्बद्ध Q-प्रा तकारका मल्ला विरवहाद्य-चीधरी ٠ ما मारायका असाद श्री होन्द परिवा 99. श्री शिवध्वत मलल 92-भी मिपरान अहराई 92-भी माजुरान -रिवरी 98 क्षी नुरामिश पोमेल **ን**ሂ٠ भी दिवलल -चीपरी देख नमांद 96-श्री देविराम श्रामी 90. भी युन्दर साही 98-श्री याम सहादुः हारी 20-भी तल्सी प्रसाद गीलम 29 -श्री पुरन असाद-केंपरी 22. ध्री अयामा रावत 23. 28 भिने अलाजा पोडिला 24. श्री सीभारत आचार्थ ያሁ • श्री राम्प्रसाद-जीवरी . ያ (-शी रही के मी 28

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. एकम्प भी मोनित अवाधीत्री आमन्त्रीत 21 राजान्या अध्यम श्री नुमानत् प्रवेदी उपाध्यम श्री नगदमाकु चीवरी 31. वडा अख्यास श्री जीवायन सकत **ઝ**ેકુ -श्री विशा सरण शीधी 2K. भी माज्ये वहादर मान 34. " सदस्य श्री भान न्यों धरी 35 60.A/P.E.A.J.W श्री योजीया साक्य 36. द्वार्य श्री चोह्न समाद-होय BC. क्षी पुरन प्रसाद **ኔ**ქ~ श्री लहान Bc. भिर्त जानारायका " 89-82. क्षी तिलवसाद्र धाया भ्री मध्यभगदेष्ठमेदी **火**发· भी भगवता क्रांबेकारी 88 हमशज अधिकारी भी खर्विदयं मा वि खिसहनियाँ निकार्थ- नामक्षाराचीर निस एसमा सदस्य 85-क्री संस्ट्रमानिविषीक्री Ø€_ Re. श्री क्षेत्रीता X0 -तेलग राज्य भी तावा विष ٧9-भी कागला X2 श्री रक्तिम्बर अधिका **义**象· श्री-यद्भ कुला *ኢ*ሄ٠ XX-X8^ Missey of Vision Solvatings, K. Solg

<u>ज्ञात्रद्रह्</u>य

१- प्रारम्भी क वात्रावरिवाय परिकाल (1 E E) सम्बन्धी सार्वेन निक् अलरक्या कार्यक्रम एकव्यमा:-

मिर्गप

अक्रताव की वमाचि दलकल गर्दा यस का मिनगर तेखी लाना सहरी -खानेपानी तथा सरसमाई अगपीजना की मिति २०७४ सालपीव अगते प्रकारीत पारक्भीक वातावरिषय परिकार (1.6.6) के सुचना अनुसार यस राजा पा वडा में प्रके रामा कुस मा यस आयोजनोकी कार्यो न्वयन वार वातावरगमा पर्न सन्ने असरहरूर सक्ताव्य न्यूनिकरण रोक यामका आए क्क वारे विस्तारमा वापक सार्वेजनिक स्तामल गरियो। असमा निम्नान मा दुवा हर् छन्

9 - यस भाषो मना का सेरचना र स्टाम हर भरिविस्तीन द्रपमा

दलपाल अयो

यस आयोगना की निर्माणकार्प गर्धी वातावरणका भीने मैतिक, सामामिक आर्थिक पद्दारहमा वर्त सकी अखर्छन वारे मानकारी र दलकाल भयी

a- निर्मागका क्रममा शिव भीषट वडा भेट पारेसर निर्मालना 2× मिटर देखि ४× मिटर सम्म was वनावत वर्त धूझाव माप्त भगम

४ क्रियालपमा बंडा में ए कमसेकम डिस्टर्न होने गरि जालें . तार्वार गरि भरिकत तबर्ली आम गर्द परें मुझावप्रात भाषीं '

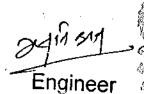
& निमार्ग भाषका mitt construction camp Ruch न्योक को वन कार्योलय की परिसर्तिन की अग्रा

आपोत्तना की कावधारता का वारेमा गाउपलिका का अलाहा न्यू वार रोला रेंग्ला मन सम्हापूल हीं। समत्त्रम् गरि जाम गर्व पंत्रध्याव भी

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प्राज भिति २०७४ हाल नेत्र र गते घस सगानिकार सीना सही रतानेपानी तथा सरप्रकार्द कार्य जना को बैठन संस्थान अप ग्रामराम ज्ञानं की अध्यवतामा बार निम्नानुसार के उपस्थिती मा तपिल बमाजिमका निषय हुई गरिया। <u> उपास्थिती</u> १. अध्यक्ष- श्री शान्तरान शक्री 2 हवास्थ्या द्वी भिमा कान्वार्य श्र. एचिव अी स्रोम नाथ बलाडे ४ केंबाध्या श्री अर्जन क अध्यक्ति ४. सक्य भी भरत प्रसार पार्क क्षी तक्तारका मल्या धी विरवस्त्र चेभिरो श्री तारायन स्थाए .. श्री हमेन्द्र परिया(भ्रो प्रतिमा आचार श्री निर्मला -वीभारी 99. श्री शिवप्रमा मतला 92-भी मिप्यान शहराई 98- " भी मापुरात नीवयी श्री न्युरामिश पोम्बल भी दिमलाल-चार्यरी देख न्यसांद श्री देविराम शामी 95. श्री मुन्दर साही श्री याम बहातु हारी 20-भी पुलसी असाद गीलम 24 -श्री पुरन असाद-कींपरी 22. की असामा रावत 29. धी विद्युत राज्य ЯK भी अलांग पीडेल 24. श्री सीभारता आंचार्य **ያ**6 • श्री राम्यसाद-रिवरी 10 शी रूल के भी







एष्ट्रप भी गोनित अवाक्षेत्री 29 राजात्या अध्यम श्री नुप्रातत्व पुर्वेदी उपाध्यक्त श्री मगदमाकु नीधरी 82. नडा सद्यास क्षी जीत्राव्यन सकत ጵያ-श्री विश्रा सरवा चौधरी ? 28. क्षी जीक्की वहापुर ज्ञाना 26. " सदस्य श्री भाग लीखरी 25. 80.A/P.E.A.J.W क्षी क्षेत्रिका सानका 36 -सार्य श्री चीहा प्रसाद-धोय gc. **ኔ**ያ-क्षी पुरत प्रसाद MIMEN 80. 89-श्री जानारायका " 82. क्री तिलवसपुर्ध्यापा भी मधु असारे प्रवेदी K 2. भी भगवता आधिकार) 88. थ्र भी खर्विदय मा विश्वरहिन्दों हेम शंजा आहेकारी श्री गार्वामा सुमार नेविदी 85-क्री दी मानि विषेत्री की स्मित Ø€<u>~</u> ze. श्री क्षीता Xo-लग एकम भी तारा थिर **لام** -धामा XZ **ኢ**გ. श्री स्थारी स्वर अधिक 987 -UZ 50MT **₹**8-धी माला XX-*****\$-Ministry t Offician Water Suppl Project

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१- प्रारम्भोक वात्रावरिवाय परिकाल (१६६) सम्बन्धी सार्वनिक अन्तरक्या कार्यक्रम सम्बन्धमा:

निर्वाध

अक्रताव में व माचि दलकल अर्दो यस कामिनार तेस्रो शाना सहरी -स्वानेपानी तथा सरसमाई आयोजना की मिलि २०७५ साल्धीव अगते प्रकाशीत पारक्कीक काताबरिवाय परिवार (१.६.६) के सुचना अनुसार यस राजााता वडा में प्रके एको उस मा यस आर्पाजनाको कार्यान्वयन वार व्यालावरकामा पर्न सन्ने असरहरू समाव्य त्युनिकरण रोष्ट्रधामका खाए क्त तोर विस्तारमा कापक सार्वेजनिक धलाला गरिया। नवमा निम्हान्सा द्वेषा हर् छन्

9 यस आयोगना का पेरराना र र्यागहर भी किलीन द्रपमा

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१. यस आयोगना की निर्माग आर्प गर्धा कातावरणका भीरिक नैतिक, मामानिक आर्थिक पदाहरमा परे लक्के अखर हर वारे जातकारी र दलकल भयी

a- निर्मागका क्रममा शिय मीपट वडा में ट पारेसर मिला 2× मिटा देखि ४× मिटर सम्म was वनाद्य पर्म प्रमाय TILA NITT 1

ए ब्रियालपमा बंडा में ए कमसेक्स डिस्ट्स ही आरे जाली. तार कार गरि मुरक्ति तहरले जाम गरी परे मझाव्यात भयोग

निमार्ग अपिका लामि construction camp Ruki -योक को वन कार्यालय की परिस्त्नितिककी मागा न्यमां रामे एकी प्रमाम प्रात अपी

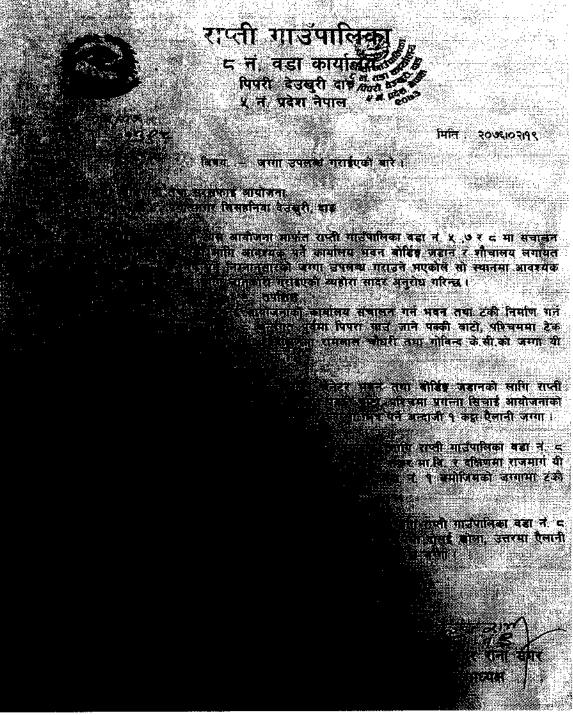
आयो नता की कावसार्गा का वारेमा गाउपलिका का अस्परा ग्रु गर रोल रोल मा जन सम्दाप ही। समलामे गरि जाम गर्व परें स्ट्राव भाष

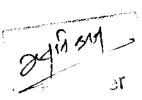
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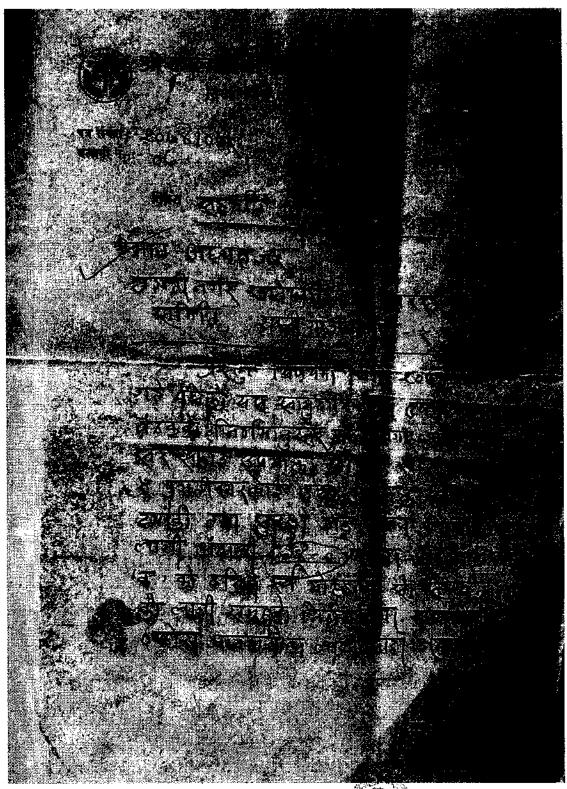
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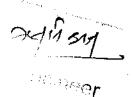
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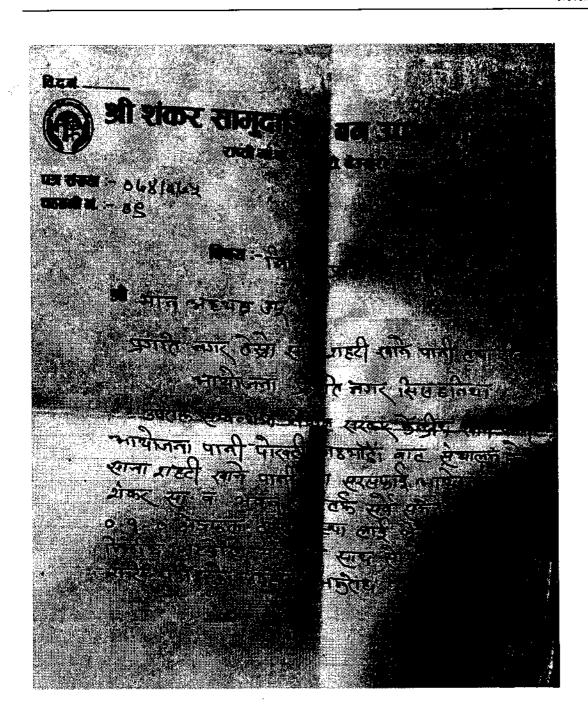




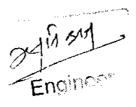
















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५ तंप्रदेश तेपात

प.सं. :- २०७५/०७६ प.सं. :- १८४४



मिति: २०७५/१२/२१

विषय: सिफारिस सम्बन्धमा ।

श्री सानेपानी मन्त्रालय, सिंहदरबार, काठमाडौ।

उपरोक्त सम्बन्धमा त्यस मन्त्रालय बन्तर्गत प्रदेश नं. ५ को दाङ जिल्ला स्थित राप्ती गाउँपालिकामा संत्रालन हुने प्रगतिनगर बानेपानी तथा सरसफाई बायोजना (वक्षा नं. ५, ७ र ८) को प्रारम्भिक वातावरणीय परिक्रण (Intial Environmental Examination) प्रतिवेदन तथार गर्ने क्रममा सौ बायोजनाबाट मौतिक, जैविक, सामाजिक, बार्थिक एवं सांस्कृतिक पक्ष तथा प्रणालीहरूमा के कस्ता वसरहरू पर्देश्चन् वा पर्न सब्देशन् सो बारे लिखित राय सुकाब का सागि मिति २०७६/०९/०३ मा प्रकाशित १५(एन्स) दिने सूचना यस गाउँपालिकामा र सार्वजनिक स्थानहरूमा टौस गरिएको र सो वविध मित्र यो कार्यालयमा कुनै विरोध पर्न नवाएको कारण र यसका साथै यस अध्ययनका क्षेत्रमा कुनै प्रतिकृत प्रमाव नपर्ने देखिएको व्यहोरा समेत सिफारिस गरिन्छ।

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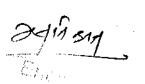


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ANNEX 5: WATER QUALITY TEST REPORTS









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QS Test Re

: NCL - 71(W) (1) - 09 - 2017 Entry No.

03 - 09 - 2017

Sample

: Boring Woter

51172 Completed : 06 - 09 - 2017

Client

: BDA PEA JV

Sampling Date : 31 - 08- 2017

: Sishoniya-

Sampled By : Client

Location

Pragatinagar, Dang

S. N.	Parameters.	Test Methods	Observed	NDWQ5, Nepal
3, 11		Electromeric, 4500 - H* B. APHA	7.1	6.5 - 8.5
1.	pH at 23°C	Conductivity Moter, 2510 B, APHA	510	1500
2	Electrical Conductivity, (pS/cm)	Nephelometric, 2130 B. APNA	<1	5
3	Turbidity, (NTU)	EDTA Terimetric, 2340 C, APHA	272	500
4.	Total Hardness as CaCOs, (mg/L)	PULA INTERNAL ASSOCIATION AND ADDRESS OF THE PURPLE AND ADDRESS OF THE	295	7
5. B.	Total Alkalinity as CeCO ₃ (mg/L) Chloride, (mg/L)	Tilinktetric, 2320 B. APHA Argentometric Tilinetics, 4500 - Cl. B. APHA	2.99	250
	Ammonia, (mg/L)	Direct Nesslerization, 4500 - NH, C	0.17	1.5
	Nitrate, (mg/L)	UV Spectrophotometric Screening. 450Q - NOs B, APHA	4.58	50
9.	Nation (mg/L)	NEDA, Colorimetric, 4500 - NO. B.	<0.02	200
	Caldum; (mg/L)	EDTA Titrimetric 3500 - Ca 8 &	85.77	200
10.	Magnesium, (mg/L)	3500 - Mg B APHA	14.10	0.05
\$1.	MACHINE, MACH	SDOC 3500 - AL C: APHA	N. D (<0.01)	
12.	Arsenic (mg/L) iron (mg/L)	Direct Air - Acetylene AAS, 3111 B,	0.07	0.3
13	Manuarisse (mo/L)	APHA	N. D. (<0.02)	Not Detec

NDWQS: National Drinking Water Quality Standard - 2063; AAS: Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer; UV: Ultraviolet; EDTA: Ethyeleradiaminetetracetic locid; NTU: Nephalametric turbidity unit; NEDA: N-L-Nophithylesthyleradiamine dihydrochloride; APHA: American Public Health Association.

Remarks: All observed values complied the prescribed NDWQS for drinking water

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e is in reference to Laboratory Quality Control Manual, QS (012), section OPT.







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QS Test Report / Certificate

NS Accreditation No. Pra. 01/053-54

: NCL - 362(W) (1) - 02 - 2018

Date Received : 28 - 02 - 2018

Sample

: Ground Water

Date Completed : 15 - 03 - 2018

Client

: BDA PEA JV

Sampled By

: Client

: Pragatinagar Third Small Town Water Supply Project

Location

: Latmatiya, Masuriya

Observed Values	NDWQS Nepal
IA 7.8	6.5 - 8.5
HA 357	1500
2	5
PHA N.D. (<0.0	5) 5
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223	-
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tion of <1	250
& 60.92	200
14.58	- :
N. D. (<0.0	0.05
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Note:

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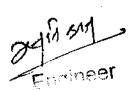
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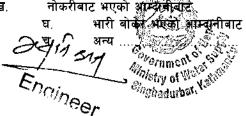
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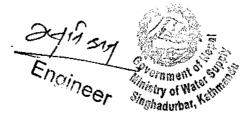
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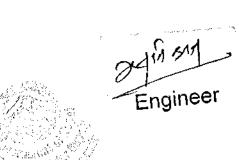


CHECKLISTS

Simple Checklists for Baseline Information Collection

A. Physical Environment

Parameter	Description
Topography	
Geology (Rock and Soil Types)	
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Land Use	
Air Quality	
Water Quality	
Noise Level	
Spoil disposal sites	
Drainage Network and Ground Water	
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B. Vegetation and Wildlife

Vegetation in the project area

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Fish in the Project Area

SN	Local Name	Scientific Name	Status of Occurrence	Migratory Status/Season	Observed Location

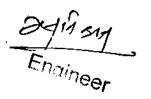
C. Socio-Economic and Cultural Environment

Parameter	Description
Demography	
a) Population (Male, Female)	
b) Caste Ethnicity	
c) Language	A Comment of the
d) Religion and Culture	Covernment of Water Edition of Water Edi
e) Literacy	All the state of t
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Education Facilities	
Communication	
Fuel and Energy	
Road and Transportation	
Land Holding	
Food Sufficiency	
Irrigation	
Health Care System	
Market	
Business and Industries	
Religious and Cultural Sites	
Non governmental activities	
Development Potential	
Detail of Project Affected Structures	



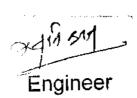




Settlements and Population

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SN	Settlement	Municipality & Ward	нн	Male	Female	Total	Caste/Ethnicity
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ANNEX 7: PHOTOGRAPHS











Photo 1: Public Consultation to discuss environmental concerns



Photo 2: Feedback from the local representatives in Public Consultation.

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Photo 3: Tube Well Boring and Reservoir Sites of Kalapani System



Photo 4: Proposed site for reservoir and treatment unit in WN 8 government with Coveraged by the second of the



Photo 5: Reservoir of Existing Singhe System



Photo 6: Existing shallow puts well in project area

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Photo 7: Reservoir of Existing Dhaberi System



Photo 8: Public Tap Stand on Existing Singhe System

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ANNEX 8: COMMENTS FROM MoWS, AND COMMENTS INCORPORATION MATRIX

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Annex 8: Comments from MoWS, and Comments Incorporation Matrix

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श्री खानेपानी तथा ढल व्यवस्थापन विभाग, पानीपोखरी, काठमाण्डीत

विषय : IEE प्रतिवेदन Revise गरी पुनः पेश गर्ने सम्धन्यमा ।

पुस्तृत विषयमा लहाको पत्र साथ प्रेश सापको सहरी खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइ (धनगत) आयोजना, प्रस्तावक रतेको दाह जिल्लामा संजालन हुने प्रगतिनगर, दान सहरे खानेपानी तथा सरसफाइ आयोजनाको प्राप्रिकाक बाताबरणीय परीक्षण, प्रतिवेदन (IEE) का सम्बन्धमा प्रिति २०७६।७८।१३ मा यस मन्त्रालयमा मसेको त्राताबरण प्रतिवेदन सुकाव समितिको बैठकमा पृश्य यसै पन्नसाध सलग्न लिखित राय सुकाबहरू अनुरूप प्रतिवेदन परिमार्जन गरी ती सबै Comments का Comments Incorporation Matrix सहित पनः पेश गर्नेह्नन निर्देशानुसार अनुसंख छ।

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Comments on IEE of Pragatinagar Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project, Rapti Rural Municipality, Dang:

- 1. Approved ToR letter is missing.
- 2. Include a copy of 15 day notice showing the name of a newspaper in which it was published.
- 3. In background section of both executive summarymention the name of the projects district.
- 4. Correct the name वातावरण व्यवस्थापन ऐन, वातावरण व्यवस्थापन नियमावली as वातावरण संरक्षण ऐन and वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली.
- 5. Mention a gist of mitigation measures of main report in executive summary.
- 6. Follow a format of schedule 5 of EPR, 1997.
- 7. Remove 'rapti zone' from 1, name and address of the proponent section.
- 8. In 2.4 section, mention 'section' instead of 'rule'.
- 9. In salient features table, instead of 'VDC' mention 'RM'.
- 10.Most of the features are different in salient features table than that of approved ToR (total length of pipe, fire hydrants, base year population, design year population, annual growth rate, household number). Better to justify the changes.
- 11.In salient features table mention about the depth of trench, volume of muck generation, construction period.
- 12. Mention about duration of water supply whether it is for 24 hrs?
- 13. Mention clearly about date, place of public consultation and field work as well.
- 14.In baseline, correct the topic by replacing 'resources' with 'environment'. Instead of ecological resources, mention biological environment.
- 15. Clarify whether proposed project lies in chure region or not?
- 16.In physical environment section, add about land use pattern, landslide prone area (if any), include date of ground water table, water recharge capacity.
- 17. Correct ward no. in table 3.5. Keep the data of ward no. 5 instead of ward no. 6.
- 18.It seems like 633 out of 2156 are literate then how it becomes 92.3%, better to clarify (in 3.9.3.3. and table 3.5)
- 19.In 'access to household latrine section' mention clearly whether there is a provision of septic tank or not? Or the locals directly dispose it in river?







- 20.In 'waterborne disease' section, mention clearly about existing water quality, if there is any test report mention its result in gist in main report.
- 21.In 3.9.3.11, cultural aspects, mention in detail about temples whether these are of archaeological importance or not. In public consultation issues related to conservation of Shivalaya temple, wall construction has been raised, better to mention about it in detail.
- 22. Include a table of land requirement for the proposed project showing clearly about area, type and ownership, if possible mention component wise.
- 23. Mention clearly about the public, private, community infrastructures that lies in the alignment of proposed project.
- 24. Mention about in-migration in detail.
- 25. Mention clearly about the amount of construction material, location and number of camp site, facilities to the workers location of stockpiling site.
- 26.3.9.3.7, tells about satisfactory sanitary condition, whereas 3.11.1 (2nd paragraph 2nd line) contradicts with 3.9.3.7.
- 27.Information in 3.9.3.7 and 3.11.2 is same. Revisit it.
- 28.Include source in table.
- 29. Replace 'stories' with 'storeys'.
- 30.Add existing road damage due to heavy vehicle as an impact.

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Comments on the IEE Report of Pragatinagar UWSS Project

- 1. Chapter 2 seems unnecessary. However, part of its content can make up a chapter on Introduction.
- Linkage of core area and surrounding area with direct impact and indirect impact respectively is technically wrong and hence the concerned section i. e. section 3.4 (a) & (b) needs to be revised accordingly.
- 3. Besides service area, core area should include all construction hotspots/pipe laying works as well.
- 4. In Figure 3.2, the description of legends should match with the caption of the Figure.
- 5. Designated sites for disposal of sludge/solid waste/demolition waste need to be indicated as well in Figure 3.2.
- 6. Sub-chapter 3.8 on IEE Methodology needs to be presented in a separate chapter.
- 7. In-situ measurements and sampling seem to have been overlooked as methods of field assessment of physical environment. Besides, methods used for quantification of adverse impacts on physical environment, if any, need to be mentioned as well under Methodology.
- 8. Sub-chapter 3.9 on Environmental Baseline Information should be presented as a separate chapter.
- In sub-section 3.9.1.2, it'd be highly preferable to give percentage distribution of various land-uses existing within the core area as well.
- 10. In sub-section 3.9.1.5, any surface water bodies within the core area, which would potentially be polluted due to project construction/operation activities, should have been specified as well.
- 11. In sub-section 3.9.1.6, it'd be better to present the existing practice of final disposal of solid waste within the core and surrounding areas.
- 12. A brief description of temporary construction facilities required is missing under project description.
- 13. The following could be considered as some additional construction activities.
 - a) Drilling?
 - b) Stockpiling of construction materials/fuel
 - c) Storage/disposal of extra spoil/solid waste
 - d) Operation of DG sets during construction/operation phases
- 14. It'd be highly desirable to present an estimation of land-use change due to placement of project structures/components with regard to adverse impact on land-use existing within the core area.
- 15. The mitigation measures proposed with respect to damage to existing facilities would be those that should be undertaken during pre-construction phase rather than construction phase.
- 16. Proposed proper disposal of the inorganic fraction of solid waste generated from workers' camps and construction waste needs to be further elaborated to ensure that the disposal is environmentally safe.

17. It's not clear how wastewater generated from workers' camps will be finally disposed of in an environmentally safe manner.

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18. It needs to be ensured that the proposed sanitary toilets for the workers need to be in adequate number with respect to the maximum number workers accommodated in the camps during the peak construction period.

19. Mitigation measures for addressing impacts of operation of pumps and DG sets during . operation phase seem to be missing.

20. Monitoring parameters selected for compliance monitoring both during construction and operation phases should be source oriented rather than sink oriented.

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Annex 8: Comments Incorporation Matrix

(Based on comments on IEE Report provided during presentation in MoWS)

	Comments by MoFE	Response/Updates	
	(Jwala Shrestha, Head - EA Section)		
1	Approved ToR letter is missing	The ToR approval letter from PMO has been replaced by approval letter from MoWS (Annex 1)	
2	Include a copy of 15 days notice showing the name of a newspaper in which it was published	The Public Notice showing the name of the newspaper has been provided (Annex 4)	
3	In background section of both executive summary, mention the name of the project's district	This has been incorporated (Page vii - paragraph 1; and was already mentioned in Page xi - paragraph 1)	
4	Correct the name वातावरण व्यवस्थापन ऐन, वातावरण व्यवस्थापन नियमावली as वातावरण संरक्षण ऐन, and वातावरण संरक्षण नियमावली	The corrections have been made in the last paragraph of Page vii	
5	Mention a gist of mitigation measures of main report in executive summary	The gist of mitigation measures have been added in both the executive summaries (Page x: Nepali Executive Summary; & Page xiii: English Executive Summary)	
6	Follow a format of schedule 5 of EPR, 1997	The report was submitted in the format as per Schedule 5 of EPR 1997	
7	Remove 'rapti zone' from 1, name and address of the proponent section	This has been corrected, Page 1	
8	In 2.4 section, mention 'section' instead of 'rule'	The correction has been made in section 2.4; Page 3	
9	In salient features table, instead of 'VDC' mention 'RM'	The correction has been made in table 3.1; Page 5	
10	Most of the features are different in salient features table than that of approved ToR (total length of pipe, fire hydrants, base year population, design year population, annual growth rate, household number). Better to justify the changes	The justification has been given in first paragraph of sub-section 3.2; page 5	
11	In salient features table, mention about the depth of trench, volume of muck generation, construction period	All these information are not relevant to salient features of the project. Construction period has been added in 14 th heading of table 3.1; Page 6 Depth of trench and muck volume have been added in sub-section 3.15; page 36	
12	Mention about duration of water supply whether it is for 24 hours?	This has been mentioned in sub-section 3.12 (Page 27), and also in the salient features table (7 th heading number of Table 3.1, Page 6)	
13	Mention clearly about date, place of public consultation and field works as well.	It was already mentioned in sub-section 7.10 (Page 83). The information has been added in sub-section 3.8.5; page 12 Time of field works have been added sub-section 3.8.2; Page 10	
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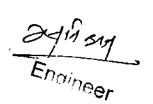
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14	In baseline, correct the topic by replacing 'resources' with 'environment'. Instead of ecological resources, mention biological	The corrections have been made (Subheadings 3.9.1., 3.9.2 and 3.9.3)
15	environment Clarify whether proposed project lies in chure region or not?	This has been clearly mentioned in last paragraphs of sub-section 3.9.2; Page 15
16	In physical environment section, add about land use pattern, landslide prone area (if any), include date of ground water table, water recharge capacity	Landuse pattern is discussed in sub- section 3.9.1.2; Page 13 There are no landslide prone areas in the project area. Ground water table was referred on the basis of water table of nearby deep tubewells as mentioned in sub-section 3.13.2; page 29 Studies on deep water recharge has not been conducted
17	Correct ward no. in table 3.5. Keep the data of ward no. 5 instead of ward no. 6	The correction has been made in the table heading as/and the data is of ward number 5; Page 16
18	It seems like 633 out of 2156 are literate then how it becomes 92.3%, better to clarify (in 3.9.3.3 and table 3.5)	The percentage has been corrected as 91.9% in sub-section 3.9.3.3; Page 16
19	In 'access to household latrine' section mention clearly whether there is a provision of septic tank or not? Or the locals directly dispose it in river?	This has been discussed under the section 'Access to household latrine'; Page 18
20	In 'waterborne disease' section, mention clearly about existing water quality, if there is any test report mention its result in gist in main report.	The test reports are given in Annex 5; but there is no bacteriological test report of existing drinking water quality.
21	In 3.9.3.11, cultural aspects, mention in detail about temples whether these are of archaeological importance or not. In public consultation issues related to conservation of Shivalaya temple, wall construction has been raised, better to mention about it in detail	The details have been provided in subsection 3.9.3.11; page 20 Additional details of the works has been provided in sub-section 6.1.1 - ii; page 50
22	Include a table of land requirement for the proposed project showing clearly about area, type and ownership	
23	Mention clearly about the public, private, community infrastructures that lies in the alignment of proposed project	This details is not required for laying of water supply pipelines
24	As in-migration plays a vital role in increasing population, mention about it in detail	This has been clarified under sub-heading 'Household and Population' in sub-section 3.9.3.1; page 15
25	Mention clearly about the amount of construction material, location and number of campsite, facilities to the workers, location of stockpiling sites, drainage condition in proposed area, distance between pipe laying area and municipal drainage	There will be only one campsite and stockpiling site There is no municipal drainage system.
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26	3.9.3.7, tells about satisfactory sanitary	Correction has been made; page 27
	condition, whereas 3.11.1 (2 nd paragraph 2 nd	(water supply situation is not satisfactory,
	line) contradicts with 3.9.3.7	but the sanitation situation is satisfactory)
27	Information in 3.9.3.7 and 3.11.2 is same.	The information in the sub-section 3.11.2
	Revisit it.	has been updated; page 27
28	Include source in table.	Sources have been added in tables
29	Replace 'stories' with 'storeys'	The correction has been made; Page 34
30	Add existing road damage in movement of	This has been added under sub-section
	vehicle section.	'Construction' of table 6.1; Page 57







	Comments by Expert (Environmental Engineer,	Response/Updates
1	BhaiRaja Manandhar) Chapter 2 seems unnecessary. However, part	The report is prepared based on
1	of its content can make up a chapter on Introduction	Schedule 5 of EPR 2054
2	Linkage of core area and surrounding area	This sub-section 3.4 has been updated;
_	with direct impact area and indirect impact	page 9
	area respectively is technically wrong and	
	hence the concerned section i.e. section 3.4	
	(a) & (b) needs to be revised accordingly	
3	Besides service area, core area should include all construction hotspots/pipe laying works as well	In this project, core area and service area are the same
4	In Figure 3.2, the description of legends should	The correction has been made, Figure
•	match with the caption of the Figure	3.2; page 8
5	Designated sites for disposal of sludge/solid	The sites for disposal of sludge/slurry
	waste/demolition waste need to be indicated	has not yet been finalized
	as well in Figure 3.2	Demolition waste will be disposed either
		at municipality's disposal site (not yet
		finalized) or at the spoil disposal site
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6	Sub-chapter 3.8 on IEE Methodology needs to be presented in a separate chapter	The report is prepared based on Schedule 5 of EPR 2054 This has been added under sub-section
7	In-situ measurements and sampling seem to have been overlooked as methods of field	3.8.3; page 10
	assessment of physical environment	
8	Sub-chapter 3.9 needs to be presented in a separate chapter	The report is prepared based or Schedule 5 of EPR 2054
9	In sub-section 3.9.1.2, it'd be highly preferable	The land use situation has been added in
	to give percentage distribution of various land- uses existing within the core area as well.	sub-section 3.9.1.2; page 13
10	In sub-section 3.9.1.5, any surface water	The surface water bodies of the project
	bodies within the core area, which would	area have been mentioned in sub-setion
	potentially be polluted due to project	3.9.1.5; page 14
	construction/operation activities, should have been specified as well	
11	In sub-section 3.9.1.6, it'd be better to present	The situation of waste disposal has been
	the existing practices of final disposal of solid	added in sub-section 3.9.1.6; page 14
	waste within the core and surrounding area	
12	A brief description of temporary construction	This description has been added in sub
	facilities required is missing under project	section 3.15; page 37
	description	
13	The following could be considered as some	Relevant activities have been added in
	additional construction activities;	sub-section 3.15, page 37 & 38
	a) Drilling?	· ·
	b) Stockpiling of construction materials/fuel c) Storage/disposal of extra spoil/solid waste	•
	d) Operation of DG sets during operation	
	phase during electric power failure	44 RO
14	It'd be highly desirable to present an	This has been quantified in sub-sectio
-	estimation of land-use change due to	3.13.2.2 (xi) in Table 3.21 page 55, 36
	placement of project structures/components	2 Grennerd Well
	with regard to adverse impact on land-use	Corporated all the state of the
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	existing within the core area	
15	The mitigation measures proposed with respect to damage to existing facilities would be those that should be undertaken during preconstruction phase rather than construction phase	This has been discussed under subsection 6.1.1 - ii; Page 51
16	Proposed proper disposal of the inorganic fraction of solid waste generated from workers' camps need to be further elaborated to ensure that the disposal is environmentally safe.	The elaborations have been provided in sub-section 6.1.1 - v; Page 52
17	tt's not clear how wastewater generated from workers' camps will be finally disposed of in an environmentally safe manner.	This has been discussed in sub-section 6.1.1 (iv), page 52
18	In needs to be ensured that the proposed sanitary toilets for the workers need to be in adequate number with respect to the maximum number workers accommodated in the camps during the peak construction period	This has been specified in sub-section 6.1.3 - iv; Page 53
19	Mitigation measures for addressing impacts of operation of pumps and DG sets during operation phase seems to be missing	This has been discussed in sub-section 6.2 (iii); page 54
20	Monitoring parameters selected for compliance monitoring both during construction and operation phases should be source oriented rather than sink oriented.	It has been mentioned that the monitoring of compliance will be source based, and monitoring of impacts will be sink based; sub-section 7.5; page 74-75



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