

**Electoral Education at Grassroots and District Level  
for Democratic Governance (EEDG) Project  
(DCI-NSAPVD/2021/271844)**

***Report of 6<sup>th</sup> Project Advisory Unit  
Meeting***

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23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014

## *Abbreviations*

ECN	Election Commission of Nepal
EEDG	Electoral Education at Grassroots and District Level for Democratic Governance
HCDA	Himalaya Conservation and Development Association
NEOC	Nepal Election Observation Committee
NFN	NGO Federation of Nepal
PAU	Project Advisory Unit
PMC	Project Management Committee

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A. **Title of the Event:** 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Project Advisory Unit of Electoral Education at grassroots and districts for Democratic Governance (EEDG).

B. **Objectives of the Meeting:** Following were objectives of the Project Advisory Unit meeting.

- ✦ *Sharing of the Project Achievements of 2<sup>nd</sup> year.*
- ✦ *Sharing of the result of Mid Term Evaluation of the project.*
- ✦ *Sharing of the planned activities of 3<sup>rd</sup> year.*
- ✦ *Suggestions and feedbacks collection from the Advisors.*

C. **Date and Time Duration of 6<sup>nd</sup> PAU Meeting:** 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014, 9:00 a.m

D. **Venue:** Jagaran Nepal Meeting Hall, Anamnagar Kathmandu.

E. **Participation:** Total 10(Male – 4, Female- 6) participants were present in the meeting.

F. **Proceedings:**

1. *Pre-meeting activities*

- ✦ *Communication & Coordination with Project Advisory Unit members to schedule meeting.*
- ✦ *Invited members by mail & invitation letter.*
- ✦ *Conformed invitation by telephone.*
- ✦ *Shared the agendas of PAU meeting with invitees.*
- ✦ *Updated the progress status of project for PAU meeting.*
- ✦ *Prepared power point presentation for meeting.*
- ✦ *Prepared and printed handout for participants.*
- ✦ *Logistic preparation for meeting.*

2. *During Meeting:-*

*The PAU meeting was chaired by Ms. Sharmila Karki, Chairperson of Jagaran Nepal. Mr. Rajkumar Sapkota, National Project Coordinator of EEDG project welcomed all the participants. He then proceeded with a power point presentation on the agendas of the meeting. He shared about the achievement of the project activities of the second year as well as the planning of the activities for the third year. The project advisors were briefed about the findings of the Mid Term Evaluation which was conducted by Mr. Padam Prasad Khatiwada, consultant who was involved in Base Line of the project. The brief summary of the report of Mid Term Evaluation was presented to the meeting.*

The presentation was followed by the floor discussion where the advisors put forward their views.

**Shanta Sedai**- EEDG Project Advisor and member of Nepal Bar Association – admiring the contribution of the project based on the impacts of Mid Term Evaluation suggested Jagaran Nepal to work accordingly considering local election to be held early next year.

**Tanka Panta**- EEDG Project Advisor and Senior Journalists- highlighting the fact that the project got well accepted to the people of Karnali as this is the need of the people there and asked to concentrate much effort targeting the local election. Crediting the team spirit of the team for the success of the project he extended his good wishes for the team work in the days ahead.

**Gopal Lamsal** - General Secretary of NGO Federation, Project Advisor- suggested the project to work targeting local election.

**Professor Kapil Shrestha**- Joint Chair to NEOF, Project Advisor- focusing the fact that election materials hardly reach to the local people in Karnali , suggested to work for proper monitoring mechanism for this if possible .

**Komal Dhamala**- Representative of Election Commission of Nepal - sharing about the Sample Study of Election Commission about the Invalid Vote pattern, he asked the project to provide the Questionnaire and requested the project to change the Qualitative volume of people left for Voter's Registration and Citizenship Card distribution into Quantitative volume at least to the project working VDCs. Describing about the mechanism he promised to take the immediate action.

Ms. Sharmila Karki shared about the challenges and expressed happiness for the achievement that has been gained so far. She added much information and clarification on the presentation. The closing remark was put forward by the Chairperson with vote of Thanks to all the members of PAU for their precious time and valuable suggestion and feedbacks.

### 3. Post Meeting Activities:-

- ✚ Prepared report of the meeting.
- ✚ Shared the finding of the meeting with stakeholders.

### G. Achievements of the Meeting :

- ✚ PAU members got updated about the achievements of the second year along with the planned activities of the third year.

- ✚ *PAU members were updated about the result of Mid Term Evaluation which gave the glimpse of the project so far and help them to understand its status and impacts at the grassroots and district level so far.*
- ✚ *Sharing about the Sample Study of Election Commission about the Invalid Vote pattern, the election commission asked the project to provide the Questionnaire and requested to convert the Qualitative volume of people left for Voter's Registration and Citizenship Card distribution into Quantitative volume at least to the project working VDCs so that the commission can take the immediate action.*
- ✚ *Election Commission admiring the contribution made by the civil society organizations for the successful accomplishment of the II CA Election, proposed the Civil Society organizations to integrate the effort for the effective implementation of the policies of the Commission prioritizing social inclusion.*
- ✚ *Constructive suggestions and feedbacks collected for the effective and efficient implementation of the planned activities in third year.*

#### **H. Visibility and Communication:**

*A request letter was dispatched to all members of project Advisory Unit which is signed by Chairperson of Jagaran Nepal. They were also requested to join by mail. The text message about financial support of European Union was clearly written in invitation letter. In the beginning of the presentation, logo of European Union, Jagaran Nepal and HCDA was clearly mentioned.*

#### **I. Resource**

*NRs. 10,800 was planned to cover travel cost and cost of refreshment of meeting day.*

#### **J. Evaluation of meeting:-**

*It was 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Project Advisory Unit. It was successful to collect the constructive feedbacks from the advisors for implementing the EEDG project in better way.*

#### **K. Problem Faced:-**

#### **L. Lessons Learnt:**

- ✚ *Co ordination with the local stakeholders lead to the successful accomplishment of the project activities in the local level.*

✚ Remaining activities have to be done targeting the local election.

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<b>M. Annexes</b>					
1. Participants' structure	Caste	Male	Female	Third Gender	Total
	Brahman/Chhetri	4	5		9
	Janajati/Ethnic Group				
	Dalit		1		1
	Others				
	<b>Total</b>				<b>10</b>
2. Photo					