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Message From President



It is a moment of immense pride as we gather here today for the 21st Annual General Meeting of Gonesa Nepal. For two decades, we have undertaken a continuous mission to address pressing issues concerning education, nutrition, and healthcare for children living in informal settlements within Pokhara Metropolitan City. Our work has significantly contributed to reducing child mortality, improving child malnutrition, fostering physical and mental development, and ensuring access to education for these young minds. Furthermore, our organization has played a pivotal role in identifying and advocating for the marginalized communities' economic and social development by executing environmental conservation, income generation, and community development programs across various districts in the Gandaki province.

GONESA Nepal providing essential services such as education, healthcare, nutrition to ultra poor children in slum settlements in Pokhara City, the organization runs 18 Early Child Development Centres which provided care and support, education, nutrition and health care support to 375 needy children. Enrolling utterly poor children in schools and providing them with regular support for school uniforms, stationery materials and school fees demonstrate our commitment to breaking down barriers to education and empowering children to succeed academically.

Gonesa Nepal has touched the lives of nearly 10,000 individuals through its diverse educational, child welfare, and income generation initiatives. Programs have been diligently executed in Pokhara Metropolitan City and Rupa Rural Municipality of Kaski District, providing direct benefits to over 7000 children, parents, and teachers throughout the year. In spite of significant advancement, disparities and discrimination persist in various aspects, particularly in education and healthcare. Identifying and addressing the needs of disadvantaged and marginalized groups, managing resources for targeted programs, and reducing poverty and inequality pose significant challenges. We assure you that our collaboration will grow even stronger in the forthcoming year.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to dedicated team members, partners and supporter who have been instrumental in making GONESA a beacon of hope for communities. We are grateful to BMZ/KKS, VISPE International and UNDP for their trust and support. Today, as we reaffirm our commitment to the national goal of a prosperous Nepal and the happiness of the Nepali people. Thank you very much being a part of this journey and let us support for impacting lives of children.

Ram Prasad Subedi
President

Early Child Care and Child Development

Good Neighbour Service Association successfully implemented a multifaceted project for Child Development that provide holistic development of a needy community. The project encompasses child care and creative education for cognitive development, nutrition support for growth and development of children. Furthermore, it prioritizes child health by offering health services and treatment and parental education to empower communities. Additionally, income generation to parents leads the communities towards a brighter future. By integrating these components, the project aims to create a harmonious ecosystem.



Project has identified over 400 children of slum settlement and enrolled them in school with Child Care, creative education, nutrition, and extended medical care.



Financing in public Education

GONESA, a proactive education-focused organization, has spearheaded school improvement initiatives in Nepal by implementing comprehensive teacher training programs, including Montessori and digital literacy training. Recognizing the digital divide in rural areas, the organization established computer labs in rural schools to bridge the technological gap among children. Additionally, GONESA addressed basic needs by ensuring access to clean and safe drinking water for school children. The organization fostered a collaborative environment by initiating interactions among parents, teachers, and students. This multifaceted approach has positively impacted over 2000 individuals in public schools, addressing challenges such as low enrollment and maintaining educational quality in Nepal's public education system.



1500 Children have access to computer education , similarly 1200 Students have safe drinking water facility in public schools supported by BMZ/KKS/GONESA in Rupa Rural Municipality.



Educating Children, Securing Future

Children At School Program is primarily focus to improve educational access for under-privileged children. Aiming to increase school enrolment, children are supported with educational materials, school uniforms, and covering additional school fees. This year a total of 191 boys and 242 girls were supported for their studies in public school. Additionally, organization has been providing carrier counseling, communication with families and schools.



Empowering Girls, Shaping the Future

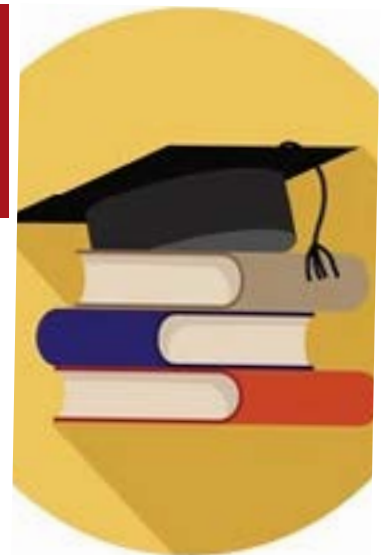
Kritika Bhandari begins her journey in the Child Development Centre of GONESA. She is currently on her 11th grade. This achievement is especially significant because her family's financial situation made it impossible to afford her education. Gonesa's support extends far beyond educational assistance, as it provides students with essential school supplies, bags, uniforms, and cover school fees. Moreover, the organization conducts regular health check-ups and ensures access to necessary medical treatment. This holistic support has made a significant difference in the lives of children like Kritika, easing their path to education.

GONESA has successfully established and mobilized **Child Clubs** in community schools. More than 1500 members of child club organized meetings, diverse extra activities and capacity building through these platforms. These child clubs and **Municipal Child Network** amplified their voices and advocate for their rights in rural municipalities. These young and energetic members have contributed to reduce child marriage, child labour and these clubs' become catalyst for positive change in community. GONESA successfully stands for child rights promotion, child protection by **creating a harmonious platform for children.**

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GONESA Nepal is a dedicated organization committed to providing comprehensive child health care services to children. Health Care program served over 900 children at its own Health Clinic with 400 cases referred to hospitals and 37 cases were hospitalized for further care and treatment in 2023. Additionally Annual Health Camp organized for intensive health checkup and wellbeing of children.

Child Health Program



Samira Poudel, 3 years old girl, lives in Pokhara-17, slum settlements with her family of 5 members. She attends Early Child Development Centre operated by GONESA Nepal. Project staffs realized that she has eye problem. She was referred to Eye Hospital and after medical examination, both eyes were successfully operated to remove eye cataract. Now she wears spectacle and can read easily.



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Story of Samiksha

Samiksha Pariyar, the daughter of Laxman Pariyar and Sarita Pariyar, has resided in Pokhara for the past five years. Her family consists of four members: her father, mother, brother, and herself. From a young age, Samiksha suffered from recurrent fevers, colds, diarrhea, weakness, excessive sweating, blue lips, failure to meet age-appropriate physical milestones, weight loss, and significant developmental delays.



GONESA supported her for medical examination, and the doctor found a heart-related ailment. Following the hospital's recommendation, she was promptly referred to Shahid Gangalal National Heart Hospital. On April 29, 2022, a successful heart surgery was performed at Shahid Gangalal National Heart Hospital.

Sustainable livelihood for empowering community

GONESA not only facilitates income generation through initiatives like goat farming, small-scale poultry, and polyhouse vegetable production but also prioritizes skill training and material support for farmers. The project recognizes the importance of equipping individuals with the necessary skills to maximize the potential of these income-generating activities. By combining skill development with tangible assistance, the program creates a comprehensive approach to empower small landholders and landless households, fostering self-sufficiency and improving overall living conditions. Farmers groups more than 300 households received these opportunities throughout the year.



Story of Community.....

GONESA Nepal implementing community development project in Rupa Rural Municipality since 2021. This project has successfully empowered youth and women. Self Help Group facilitated by the project in Islamic community has been able to enhance their income through diverse income generating activities and sensitized on importance of girl's children education. Additionally, School Child Clubs are motivated with training and regular coaching to improve their leadership, right and responsibility. Massive mobilization of community resulted to enroll 40 over children in Chandra Prabha Secondary School. The project receives good recognition from stakeholders citing a change in parents' mindset towards importance of quality education.



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Collaboration with civil society organization

GONESA actively engages in civil society forum, networks for democracy, human rights and critical social issues since its inception. It leads NGO movement, human rights movement, women rights movement actively in district, provincial and national level to express solidarity on matters concerning children, women, education and civic space. This broad involvement underscores GONESA's commitment to fostering collaboration, advocacy and community impact beyond its regular project initiatives, establishing the organization as dynamic force in advancing societal well being and rights across various domains.



Good Neighbour Service Association (GONESA) Nepal observed its 21st **Annual General Assembly** on 6th October 2023. GONESA Nepal share achievements and accountability among stakeholders on special day. The program commenced with a formal session, which was meticulously organized by the GONESA Secretary, Shyamnath Kunwar. The chairman of the formal session was the President of the organization, Mr. Ram Prasad Subedi. The event received the honor of having Mr. Liladhar Poudel, the President of the District Coordination Committee, as the esteemed chief guest.



Social Audit of GONESA

GONESA Nepal conducted annual social audit which is a formal review of organization's endeavors, procedures and code of conduct regarding social responsibilities and the Organization's impact on society. In the fiscal year 2079/80, a formal program was organized at Hotel Fishtail Inn, Pokhara among the Mult stakeholders on 18th Jetha 2080. The chief guest Mr. Liladhar Baral, Chairperson of District Coordination Committee, Kaski inaugurated the program by signing the banner. Mr. Ram Chandra Baral (Phd) has facilitated social audit of GONESA . As an independent auditor, Mr. Baral visited various project sites (Pokhara and Rupa) and interacted with beneficiaries, conducted focus group discussion with government line agencies, youth groups, farmers groups and observed project activities. On the base of research and field visit, Mr. Baral presented major findings in front of stakeholders and invited them for further discussion and clarification.

