



## Community of Evaluators - Nepal



Advance the Theory, Practice and Use of Evaluation in Development Process

**Vision:** Effective development policy, program and partnership.

**Mission:** Establish a culture of evaluation at national and international level through development and dissemination of knowledge in evaluation, capacity building of evaluation stakeholders, and promotion of evaluation theory and practice.

**Goal:** Advance the theory, practice and use of evaluation in development processes.

\*Obj.1: To develop and disseminate knowledge products on evaluation,

\*Obj.2: To enhance capacity of development actors on quality evaluation,

\*Obj.3: To strengthen the dialogue mechanism for promoting the use of evaluation.

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## The 'Global Evaluation Week' Press Conference Organized

International Evaluation Partnership Initiative (EvalPartners), Community of Evaluators (CoE)-South Asia, CoE-Nepal, National Parliamentarians Forum on Development Evaluation Policy of Nepal (NPFDEPN), Governance and Monitoring Committee of the Parliament of Nepal and the Government of Nepal organized a press conference on 30 July in Kathmandu. The event was organized to call the global communities to commemorate the International Year of Evaluation (EvalYear) that would be

held in Kathmandu from November 23 to 27

On that occasion, the following four events will be launched: (1) Global Evaluation Agenda 2016-2020; (2) the Global Parliamentary Forum for Evaluation, a global partnership

for evaluation and evidence-based policy making; (3) the EvalGender+, the global partnership for equity-focused and gender-responsive evaluations; and (4) the EvalYouth, the global partnership for young evaluators. The organizers held the confidence in holding the event in

spite of the tragic earthquake in April considering that the November event would be a part of rebuilding exercise to work with the Government of Nepal and other Stakeholders for the evaluation capacity building and benefits of Nepali community.



## Nepal-2nd Face-to-Face Meeting Held

CoE-Nepal with CoE-South Asia and NPFDEPN organized the 2nd Face-to-Face meeting entitled "An interaction program on Evaluation in Nepal: Current Situation and Challenges" on 12 March 2015 in Kathmandu.

The meeting was organized as a part of Innovation Challenge 3 (IC3) project launched by EvalPartners. Hon. Sher Dhan Rai, CA Member, CPN (UML) and a member of NPFDEPN chaired the meeting among the participants from government ministries, NPFDEPN, National Planning Commission, UNDP, UNICEF,

Asian Development Bank, CoE-Nepal, Nepal Evaluation Society, Equal Access Nepal, Nepal Red Cross Society and FECOFUN. Hon. Sita Gurung, CA Member, Nepali Congress and a member of NPFDEPN welcoming the participants highlighted the need of coordination and effective government M&E system. Dr. Teertha Raj Dhakal, Joint Secretary and Chief of M&E Division at National Planning Commission presented a paper on "Learning through evaluations for informed policy decisions: GoN perspectives".

Dr. Gana Pati Djha, Chairperson of CoE-Nepal and Vice Chairperson of CoE-South Asia presented a paper on "Eval Year: A Glance". Dr. Ramesh Tuladhar, General Secretary of CoE-Nepal presented a paper on "Management Response to Evaluation (MRE): Sharing Experience and Learning from Nepal". Mr. Prabin Chitrakar, Nepal country catalyst for the IC3 project and a Board Member of CoE-Nepal coordinated the event. For details, refer to <http://www.coe-nepal.org.np/files/2ndf2f.pdf>



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## Feedback on the Draft Constitution about Monitoring and Evaluation

The draft Constitution of Nepal 2072 BS had provision for 'Monitoring Committee' on Part 4, Clause 54. The chairperson while consulting the National Parliamentarian Forum on Development Evaluation Policy provide suggestion to Constitution Sug-

gestion Collection Process to change the name as Monitoring and Evaluation Committee and text according. The Constitution did not change the name of the Committee but changed text by including evaluation. Similarly,

Clause 293 has also the provision of Monitoring and Evaluation. It is a matter of satisfaction that the Constitution of Nepal has recognised Evaluation as an important element to promote good governance in the development process.

## Feedback on the Draft Monitoring and Evaluation Bill 2072 BS

The National Planning Commission (NPC) drafted the Monitoring and Evaluation Bill 2072. The commission shared the draft bill to the like minded organizations including CoE-Nepal for their feedback. The CoE-Nepal members received the bill through Dr. Gana Pati Djha, the Chairperson of CoE-Nepal, reviewed the bill and provided feedback through him.

The suggestions were - The bill should be forward looking, the regional concept should be replaced with more power to the committees at the state/province level. Other suggestions included - NPC needs to undertake meta-evaluation of evaluations that it undertakes, separate entities are required to undertake monitoring

and evaluation functions, certain proportion of annual program budget needs to be allocated for monitoring and evaluation, there is a need of a mechanism to integrate the District Poverty Monitoring and Analysis System, Health Management Information System and Education Management Information System.

## Third Evaluation Networking Meeting Attended

Dr Gana Pati Djha, Chairperson of CoE-Nepal attended the Third Evaluation Networking Meeting and presented a paper entitled "Role and Activities of the VOPEs in the

EvalYear". The National Planning Commission organized the meeting on 29 July in Kathmandu.

The presentation covered - who

are VOPEs, VOPEs in Nepal, CoE-Nepal and its activities, and Activities for EvalYear 2015.

## CoE-Nepal Board Meeting Held

The CoE-Nepal held the board meeting on 18 September 2015. The participants held discussed and decided following points in the meeting:

- The general assembly will be held on 7 November
- Basan Shrestha will tabulate the curriculum vitae collected from the potential evaluators for submission to the

CAMRIS project

- Thakur Bhatta will coordinate the P2P project and Tripti Rai will assist in the project
- Mallika Samaranayake, President of Community of Evaluators South Asia will visit Nepal from 30 September to 4 October for reviewing the preparation regarding the Global Evaluation Week 2015

- New account will be opened in Nepal Investment Bank for financial transaction of the fees that will be collected from the Nepalese participants during the Global Evaluation Week 2015. Chairperson of CoE-Nepal, Dr. Gana Pati Djha and Treasurer, Dr. Hari Dhungana will be the signatories to run the account.