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ABSTRACT

Child Friendly local governance CFLG is a project by UNICEF which is started on 2007 in Nepal. The Child Friendly Local Governance (CFLG), as articulated in the National Framework, is to provide "Overall guidance to the government in realizing and mainstreaming the rights of children (Survival, Development, Protection and Participation) into the local government system, structure, policies and process". This program is being implemented through the ministry of local development with the technical support of UNICEF. CFLG project has been implemented in almost all district and VDCs of Nepal.

Kaskikot is a village of Kaski District of Gandaki Zone, Nepal. In this study area CFLG program implementation in FY2070/71 for basis on child survival, development, protection and participation. This study motive to know about actual gap of the CFLG program and how does implemented in the study area. The main objectives of the study are to find out child population and child club, participation of child in decision making budgeting and planning, analyze the use of CFLG budget on study area, assess the problem and challenges faced by VDC on CFLG program implement.

This study has been carrying out both on the basis of exploratory and descriptive research design. Physically the study area is selected in Kaski district, Kaskikot VDC. In the study areas total child population 2985. This study is mainly based on primary data as well as secondary data. Respondents were selected for the study purpose on the basis of census method and the questionnaire interview and KII was applied to generate the primary data.

Kaskikot VDC coordinate schools, health post and other public sector for CFLG implement and make useful for children. Except in some fiscal years the budgeting trend is rising. So CFLG program slowly growth for child development.

The research has been limited only in one VDC and on only child development activities. Present study has given some recommendation for child friendly governance especially for Kaskikot VDC these are build up participation through awareness should develop for program effective implementation, focuses on local government for strong coordination, the planning procedures should be shorted and establish effective coordination, collaboration and co-operation amongst all stakeholders; central to local level both horizontal and vertical side.

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ACRONYMS

AIDS	:	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
BCC	:	Behavior Change Communication
CAC	:	Citizens' Awareness Centre
CBO	:	Community-Based Organization
CBS	:	Central Bureau of Statistics
CCWB	:	Central Child Welfare Board
CD	:	Capacity Development
CDC	:	Curriculum Development Centre
CEDAW	:	Convention on Elimination of Discrimination Against Women
CFA	:	Child Friendly Activities
CFLG	:	Child-Friendly Local Governance
CFLGA	:	Child Friendly Local Governance Audit
CFLGC	:	Child Friendly Local Governance Committee
CPC	:	Child Protection Committee
CRC	:	Child Right Convention
CSO	:	Civil Society Organization
CSP	:	Community Support Programmer
DACAW	:	Decentralized Action for Children and Women Program
DAG	:	Disadvantaged Group
DCPC	:	District Child Protection Committee
DCWB	:	District Child Welfare Board
DDC	:	District Development Committee
DJO	:	District Justice Office
DOWCD	:	Department of Women and Child Development
DP	:	Development Partner
DWCO	:	Department of Women and Children's Office
ECD	:	Early Childhood Development
EO	:	Executive Officer (Municipalities)
FY	:	Financial Year

GESI	:	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
GOV	:	Government of Nepal
HIV	:	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ILO	:	International Labor Organization
LGCDP	:	Local Governance and Community Development Programmers
LSG	:	Local Self Governance
LSGA	:	Local Self-Governance Act
MOFALD	:	Ministry Of Federal Affairs and Local Development
MOLD	:	Ministry Of Local Development
NGO	:	Non-Governmental Organization
NPA	:	National Plan of Action
NPC	:	National Planning Commission
OECD	:	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
PDDP	:	Participatory District Development Program
PM	:	Performance Measure
SAARC	:	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
UN	:	United Nation
UNCRC	:	United National Child Right Convention
UNDP	:	United National Development Program
UNGASS	:	United Nation General Assembly Special Session
UNICEF	:	United Nation International Children Emergency Fund
VDC	:	Village Development Commit
WASH	:	“Water, Sanitation and Hygiene”