

## **Developing National Disaster Risk Reduction Policy & Strategic Action Plan: 2017-2030 Meeting Minutes Cross Cutting Theme Kick-off Meeting**

The National Planning Commission (NPC), Ministry of Women Children and Social Welfare (MOWCSW) and DPNet Nepal in coordination with UNDP and other concern ministries organised the half day consultative meeting on **5/18/2017** at NPC hall .

The overall aim of the consultative meeting was to introduce all the key stakeholders of the Cross cutting thematic working group and update the cross cutting thematic working role and responsibility of the developing DRR policy and strategic Action Plan 2017 to 2030. This consultative meeting also provided the feedback and common understanding for gender responsive local governance, advocating with different stakeholders on common demand in policy and strategic action plan. Overall 30 participants were participated in the meeting from different development partners, GON, UN, INGO, NGO and Civil society's partners. Ms. Kopila Rijal highlighted the measure role and responsibility of the TWG cross cutting and next step of the crosscutting TWG. She also shares the draft Matrix of action Plan for the imputes.

### **Understandings and agreed points of the meetings:**

- Draft matrix will share by email and imputes will send by email from all the participants
- Need one workshop or write shop for better outcome in Strategic Action Plan
- Small committee will be formed for upcoming meeting to work in discussion matrix

### **Following some measure discussion Point Highlighted in Meeting:**

- How preparedness actions are ensured to be GESI sensitive (in term of data analysis, risk mapping an ranking, and stock piling, and capacity building) and how the early warning mechanism is established for effective response from GESI perspective is important in this kinds of Action Plan.
- Conducting awareness program at individuals, communities, village development committees, district development committees and national level (governmental/ non-governmental agencies).
- Interventions and contributions focused to group discussion, interactions, orientation, coordination, collaboration, synergy building, meetings, national and international day's celebration, vulnerability capacity assessment/vulnerable focal point (VCA/VFP), hazards ranking, small scale mitigation support, community based early warning system established and now functional, facilitation and support for emergency fund established and mobilization, school based program, street drama and door to door campaign.
- Many organization developed IEC materials and disseminated information through, radio program, video documentary, case study, and success story publication etc
- Mainstreaming gender perspectives into all disaster management initiatives

- Building capacity in women's groups and community-based organizations
- Ensuring gender mainstreaming into communications, training and education;
- Ensuring opportunities for women in science and technology
- Ensuring gender mainstreaming into programme implementation, monitoring and evaluation.
  
- Access to and adequate provision of humanitarian goods and services
- Addressing gender-specific roles in humanitarian action
- Including women in planning, design and implementation of food distribution
- Safety in accessing sanitation facilities in camps and collective shelters
- Adequate shelter addressing the specific needs
- Special attention to health needs of women
  
- Equal access to education
- The links between disaster risk reduction and governance
- Positions disaster risk reduction into development through 'mainstreaming' and climate change adaptation
- Introduces framework and practical guidance to mainstream disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation;
- Multi stakeholder approach in disaster risk reduction.
- GBV framework in DRR
- Common Understanding Framework adopted by all members
- Supports advocacy and knowledge management for disaster risk reduction
- Common approach to supports the implementation of disaster risk reduction activities
- Major policy issue ( Shelter Policy, Referral mechanism, GBV act and other act relations, Implementation of the National Plan of Actions)
- Role of Other agencies ( NRA, Associations, UN,INGO, a Common Understanding Framework
- Civil society is often not engaged
- Advocacy and political dialogue
- Development programming and financing strategies
- Civil society participation
- Administrative Arrangements
- Resources and Funding
- Capacity development for local authorities
- Partnerships
- Local governance for risk reduction
- Social Auditing

**Some recommendation from the meeting:**

- Governance component should also highlight in the strategic action plan.
- Need more preparation from the lead and co-lead side because while facilitating the programme for more organized discussion.
- Need workshop/write shop method in participatory way (with key agencies) to focused discussion and compilation of policy perspectives and priority Action Plan and followed by wider level sharing for further inputs.

Thank you!

