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Nepal

679

survivors of human trafficking and key stakeholders benefitted through anti-trafficking initiatives in 2022

5161

school students and teachers engaged through Blue School interventions in 2022

36,442

individuals benefitted from access to water and sanitation in healthcare facilities in 2022

Context

Violence against children, unsafe migration and trafficking, poor maternal and child health outcomes and natural disasters are some of the key challenges faced by children and youth in Nepal. To address them, Tdh strengthens the local child protection and health systems by adapting and contextualising its global tools and methodologies and transferring knowledge and expertise to local partners and governments.

We are in five provinces through strategic partnerships: Lumbini, Bagmati, Madesh, Kanali and Koshi. Madesh and Lumbini border with India and are well-known cross border trafficking routes.

Intervention map



General overview

Tdh has been working to bring change to the lives of the most vulnerable children in Nepal since 1985. Our migration, child protection and health & WASH programmes continue to benefit thousands of children, their families and communities across the country. Our intervention areas in Nepal have been selected based on the needs and inequities that exist in relation to Tdh's thematic priorities and on aspirational provinces and districts set by the government to transform pockets of underdevelopment.

Our Nepal country office comes under the Multi-Country Delegation India and Nepal, which was established in July 2020, as part of Tdh's regionalisation process.

Our thematic priorities



Mother and child health



Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH)

Child protection Children and young people on the move

Tdh's health programme aims to improve primary healthcare and WASH services in rural settings where the burden of child, neonatal, and maternal morbidity and mortality remain high. Our work is directed towards government health workers, with a particular focus on Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANMs), pregnant & postnatal women, newborns and their family. Tdh applies WHOs WASH Facility Improvement Tool (WASH FIT) to fill gaps in the sanitation infrastructure in Health Care Facilities (HCFs). Through our work with community committees, Tdh promotes and facilitate access to adequate WASH conditions at household levels and in institutions such as schools and HCFs.

To prevent unsafe migration and ensure children at risk receive necessary support, Tdh strengthens local child protection mechanisms, counsels children on safe migration, builds efficacy to increase their agency and supports them to raise their voice.

Results in 2022

Health & WASH interventions

- All eight targeted Health Care Facilities (HCFs) in critical areas have basic water, sanitation, and hand hygiene facilities
- Six water treatment systems and two toilets were constructed, and ten handwashing facilities installed
- Three protected pits were constructed, and one autoclave machine was installed for healthcare waste management
- Eight targeted HCFs municipalities have led WASH improvements adhering to the WASH Facility Improvement Tool
- 14,044 people were reached under the handwashing campaign
- 246 healthcare workers were trained within the Digital Health project, and 896 COVID-19 suspected cases were screened using a digital app in 5 tertiary level hospitals in Kathmandu.

Migration and child protection

- 104 survivors of human trafficking received direct income generation support through case management in Jhapa and Ilam districts of Nepal
- 113 participants received psychosocial support through Problem Management Plus (PM+) intervention
- 61 representatives from local civil society organisations and municipalities received training on case management.

Highlight project

Tdh, with the support of the Swiss Water and Sanitation Consortium, has been implementing the **Blue Schools** project in six secondary schools of Bardiya district of Lumbini Province. The project provides students with environmentalfriendly technologies for practical exposure to solid waste management, school gardening, and land and water management. The students act as local champions to mitigate climate-induced risks and vulnerabilities at school and in the communities.

"School is not about studying only but also a place for learning and guiding. Individuals' combined efforts can keep toilets and ultimately the school environment clean. Our Blue School team works together to make our school clean."

A student from Nepal Rastriya Secondary School

Outlook

- The programmatic approach will be further developed and strengthened with a stronger focus on integrated programming
- Innovation is considered as a key factor of impact, quality, and relevance, as well as efficiency across programmes and institutional operations of Tdh Nepal, while ensuring contextual relevance to all innovations
- Operational and strategic partnerships with local organisations and institutions will be developed and strengthened.

Advocacy

Thakurbaba Municipality has endorsed the model of Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Policy for WASH in HCFs where Tdh and its partner Geruwa provided technical support.

Thanks to the effective outcome of the Blue School activities, local municipalities have incorporated key elements of the Blue School interventions aligned with the national curriculum in six secondary-level government schools.

Tdh also supported 6 municipalities from Karnali province to develop periodic plans and an additional 6 municipalities on use of ICT4D for better governance.

Main partners and donors

Partners: Shakti Samuha; Geruwa Rural Awareness Association (Geruwa); Biswas Nepal.

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