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VISION/MISSION

SAPPROS envisions a poverty-free Nepal where the countrymen can engage themselves in innovative initiatives without having to worry about the possibility of having the opportunities to do so.

OBJECTIVES

Development of self governing type of grassroots level institutions.

Development of sustainable community infrastructures and community managed natural resource systems.

Achieving sustainable household income and food security.

Enhancement of participation of women and disadvantaged groups in all walks of life.

Increasing the physical and financial resource bases of households and the communities.

Improvement of local capacities to manage and sustain developmental activities.

Improving the quality of life through social sector interventions.

Development of an operating model for social mobilisation based on experiences from the field.



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27
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52
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BACKGROUND

SAPPROS Nepal is a national level non-government organization, established in August 1991. SAPPROS assists rural communities in building productive infrastructures, helps mobilize local resources and promotes participation in planning and decision making at the grassroots level.

Through various projects, SAPPROS' outreach increased to 52 districts in the past 27 years, serving over 413,800 households.

STRATEGY

SAPPROS follows the policy of integrating institutions, infrastructure, resource generation and local capacity in order to achieve sustainable development.

In building infrastructures, the concept of co-production is followed wherein, the users are involved from the commencement of planning, design, implementation including cost benefit sharing and operation and maintenance of the project. This sort of participatory approach has increased users' contribution, increased the feeling of ownership among the beneficiaries, reduced the cost of implementation and increased efficiency due to reduction in time taken in implementing the project.

Local capacity is enhanced to enable them to manage the natural resources, institutions and generate income opportunities. This is done through trainings, skill transfers and exchange visits for participating households and the heads of community groups.



AREA OF PROGRAM INTERVENTIONS

1 Organizational Development and Capacity Building:

SAPPROS emphasizes the development of self-help and inclusive groups/ organizations. This involves assisting the organizational effectiveness and efficiency to attain institutional goals and objectives. Meaningful engagement of these groups are the most vital and fundamental requisites for successful execution of any project.

SAPPROS facilitates communities in assessing their strengths and skills. It focuses on a series of capacity building and exposures to increase the level of knowledge, skills and understandings to improve the attitudes needed to bring about the desired developmental change.

2 Infrastructure Development:

Infrastructure is the backbone for overall socio-economic development of the country. SAPPROS focuses on innovative, context sensitive as well as productive infrastructures ranging from community water projects, rural roads, small bridges, health posts, schools, community buildings, livestock sheds and more to support the nation in its developmental drive. Likewise, it has been promoting user friendly multi-use water systems (including lift project), solar houses, cold storage and much more to increase the income level of community people in programme areas.



3 Resource Generation and Mobilization:

SAPPROS facilitates community groups/ organizations to generate resources at the local level. The organization assists communities to make better use of various available resources including financial, natural, physical, human and other social resources.

The collected resources are optimized and utilized in the implementation of prioritized infrastructures, income generative activities, soft financing services, and for the purpose of disseminating user friendly, labor saving and appropriate technologies.



4 Income Generation:

SAPPROS creates enabling environments for the targeted community members including disadvantaged populations and women to engage in different income generating activities. These activities play a vital role in improving the livelihood of rural people. SAPPROS sees transformation of subsistence farming into commercial agriculture by helping communities in agriculture based activities such as cultivation of high value crops, improved livestock farming, NTFP and more. Simultaneously, the organization supports in enterprise development through alternative livelihood programs.



5 Environmental Sustainance:

SAPPROS is implementing the 'Make Nepal Green' concept. Two out of four components are related with environmental health and its sustainability, viz; i) Organic agriculture and ii) Renewable energy. SAPPROS believes and has proven that the concept is a decisive methodology to combat climate change and reduce risks to the environment.

SAPPROS implements various activities which improve environmental consequences. It has decisive experiences in the construction of micro-hydro projects, individual bio-gas plants, improved cooking stoves, solar dryers, community forests, bio-engineering works, recharge ponds, green roads, DRR interventions, community and household latrine and more. The organization also uses solar energy to lift water to serve the communities residing at the higher elevations.



INTERNATIONAL AWARD



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AWARD

Mr. Shrikrishna Upadhyay, the Executive Chairman and SAPPROS Nepal has been honored with the Right Livelihood Award 2010, also known as the “Alternative Nobel Prize”, for fighting against poverty in the country. This is in recognition for all of SAPPROS’ efforts, particularly those who are working in the field for the livelihoods of the poor.



Support Activities for Poor Producers of Nepal

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