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Country Context
As of 23rd June, 2020

24 Deaths

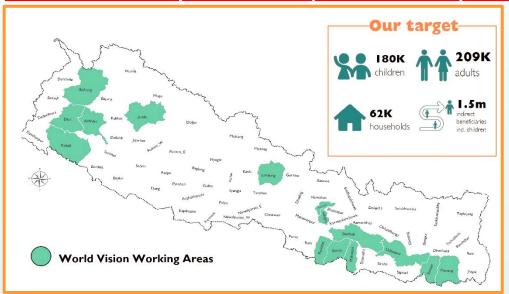
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10,728 Positive Cases

8,366
Active Cases

2,338
Discharged

78,639 Quarantined 193,194 PCR Tests





#### **Humanitarian Situation Overview**

- The districts with COVID-19 positive cases has increased to 76, out of 77 with 23 deaths. According to the Ministry of Health and Population (MoHP), age group of 90 percent COVID-19 positive cases ranged from 11 to 50; 91 percent cases are men. (Source: Ministry of health and Population).
- The Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA) has issued 'Safety Guidelines for Lockdown Management', restricting people from moving out of their homes between 10:00 pm to 5:00 am, unless urgent; and allowing maximum 15 people attending weddings, death rituals, etc. with sufficient (two meters) social distancing maintained (Source: MOHA, Safety Guidelines for Lockdown Management).
- MoHP has also released the third revised version of the guidelines for management of dead body of people who died from COVID-19 this week. (Source: WHO, Situation Updates #9, 17 June, 2020).
- An estimated 800,000 migrant workers are returning home from places such as the Middle East and India. According to the World Bank, Nepalese Migrant workers sent home USD 8.64 Million in 2019, almost a third of Nepal's GDP. Public health officials warn that the return of Nepalese migrants, if mismanaged, could lead to an exponential spread of the coronavirus in the country and loss of jobs could threaten the already unstable economy (Source: Press Brief, June 18,2020, Mercy Corps).
- The pandemic has disrupted supply chains, threatening small and informal businesses. Three in five employees have lost their jobs and tourism receipts are projected to fall by 60 percent this year resulting into the loss of USD 400 million (Source: UN Daily Press Briefing by the Spokesperson for the Secretary-General, 19th June, 2020-Nepal).
- Ministry of Health and Population has issued Interim guideline for the operation of Nutrition Rehabilitation in the context of COVID-19 (Source: MOHP, Situation Report #134).
- Confirmed COVID-19 cases show an increasing trend in South East Asia Region with India and Bangladesh reported the highest number of cases. (Source: WHO, Situation Updates #9, 17 June, 2020).

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### **Distribution Highlights**



1,000 PPE Sets



16,499 Soap Bars



824 rolls of Rope



261 Plastic and PU foam mats



818 Mosquito nets



117 Liters of Hand Sanitizer



4,370 Food Packages



1,038 Woolen Blankets



130 IR Thermometers



1,338 Tarpulins



3,868 Masks



494 Jerry Cans



1151 Hygiene Kits



361 Buckets

#### Implementation Highlights

- WV supported the Ministry of Health and Population with I 000 sets of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and I 30 Infrared (IR) thermometers through the Ministry of Women Children and Senior Citizens to be delivered to frontline health workers in I 4 WVIN working districts
- WV is continuously broadcasting PSAs through 300+ radio stations associated with the Association of Community Radio Broadcasters Nepal (ACORAB). WVIN has reached 15 million people throughout the country.
- Two cases of Child marriage stopped at Udayapur and SIndhuli . I sexual abuse case has been responded and referred to safe house at Pokhara.
   \*Updated
- WV is airing radio program nationwide named Hamro Ghar Hamro Pathshala (4<sup>th</sup> espisode completed) to contribute to learning of children during lockdown targetting 104,000 Children in working areas. \*Updated
- 16,499 soap bars and hygiene materials distributed to 5163 Households.
- 4,370 HH in Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Udayapur, Morang, Sarlahi, Kailali and Bajhang reached through the distribution of food packages. \*Updated
- Food support provided to 4 Child care homes to reach 214 Children
- 1,151 hygiene kits distributed to 351 children in Kathmandu, 600 adults in Sarlahi, 100 in Kailali and 100 in Doti. \*Updated
- Material support provided to 7 District Disaster Management Committees (DDMCs) and 32 local level governments to build and operate quarantine centers.
- 318 children supported with superflour.
- 780 sets of reading materials distributed to children in Udaypur, Sindhuli and Lamjung \*New
- Orientation on psychological counselling and communication skills provided to 26 frontline staffs. \*New
- 17,500 people reached through social media messaging \*New
- 3 Handwashing corners have been established in Sindhuli. \*Updated

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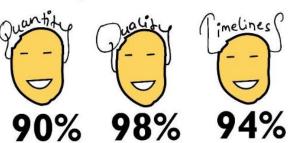


### **Post Distribution Monitoring highlights**

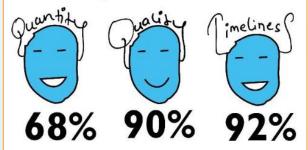
World Vision conducted post distribution monitoring for the interventions made during its first 30 days of Response in which major interventions were distribution of food, NFI Kits, Hygiene kits and PPE sets.

Quantitative method was adopted and the survey was carried out with individual and institutional representatives. 30 percent of total beneficiaries were randomly sampled from the distribution list. Responses were collected from 316 individuals and 70 institutional representatives from Bajhang Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Lamjung, Morang, Sarlahi, Sindhuli and Udayapur. 43.4% of respondents were female and 56.6% were male.

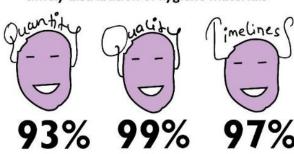
# Individuals satisfied by the quantity, quality and timely distribution of food items



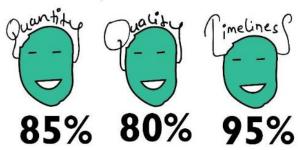
# Organisations satisfied by the quantity, quality and timely distribution of PPE sets



# Individuals satisfied by the quantity, quality and timely distribution of hygiene materials



# Organisations satisfied by the quantity, quality and timely distribution of NFI kits



#### **Quotes from Beneficiaries**

"I am a mother of two sons, I lost my husband 4 years ago. I use to work and feed my sons but due to lock down I lost my job. This food will help me to sustain for some months. At least I am happy that we will have food to eat for some time now."

- Female, 38Yrs, Biratnagar, Morang

"We are a family of 6 people, my husband is a daily wage worker but this lockdown left him with no job. We don't have any other source of income. Today MDMS and WVIN have distributed food items which will be helpful for our family. We are very happy and thankful towards them."

- Female, 60 yrs, Biratnagar, Morang

"My husband lost his job due to lock down and is staying at home right now, I have a small child and we don't have any source of income nor enough food at home. In this difficult situation, receiving this food is very helpful. I am very happy and thankful."

- Female beneficiary, Morang

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Fig: 1: Vendor using Sikka: Requesting sikka tokens from beneficiary before handing over food support.



Fig 2: Hand washing station installed by WVI Nepal in a Brick industry in Kathmandu

#### Innovation: Use of Sikka for distribution

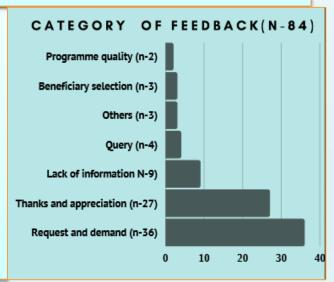
WVI Nepal is using Sikka, a digital assets transfer platform for the distribution of food and other commodities in COVID-19 Response activities. Beneficiaries receive digital tokens through SMS on their mobile phones which they can redeem with suppliers contracted by WV & Partners in exchange of commodities. All transactions are logged on the Blockchain which ensures accountability and allows real time and remote tracking of progress. Sikka was developed at the WVIN Innovation Lab in 2017.



Visit the Sikka website for more details: www.sikka.me

### **Accountability**

A total of 328 feedback were received by World Vision received under Nepal COVER Project since April, 2020. Out of 328, 84 were received between 12-18 June. The trend of feedback received from children has increased in comparison to the previous week(29.2%) and reached 44 % in this reporting period. Similarly, more than half of the feedback were from female. In addition, majority of feedback (43%) were about request and demand, followed by thanks & appreciation (32%) and lack of information (11%). Regarding status of feedback, nearly one third feedback did not need any further action (thanks and appreciation), whereas 64.3% were responded and follow up going on for 3.6 % feedback.



For more information please visit: https://covid19.wvnepal.org

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