

# PROJECT SRIJANA

## CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF MIGRANT YOUTHS

### Quarterly Update

#### SUMMARY

The project was officially launched, virtually, on 8th December 2020 where all key people from ICCO, UMN, INF and KiA participated. Due to Covid-19 and the subsequent lockdowns, some activities, targets, and field implementation plan were updated and shared in the beginning of the project period. In this report, interventions up till April 2021 have been covered.

The major achievements of this reporting period are ; Completion of the inception meeting with government stakeholders which is supporting to move further to start, implement activities at community and target group level, Collected data and information of migrant returnees from the each wards of working rural municipality at Bajhang and Jumla, Capacity building of the field team regarding the project goal, objectives and digital data collection methods and identification of the beneficiaries and providing the inputs supports such as training, skills, materials, grant etc.

#### ORIENTATION TO THE FIELD TEAM

The orientation to the project team by ICCO Part of Cordaid has been completed in Bajhang and Jumla. Total 13 staffs in Jumla and 5 staffs in Bajhang participated in the orientation. The main objectives of the orientation were ; to make common understanding among the team including social mobilizers regarding the project goal, objectives and activities, orientate on the mobile data collection process for profiling the migrant returnees information, discuss on the field level issues, challenges and exploring the way forwards.

#### MAJOR MILESTONES

**ORIENTATION TO THE FIELD TEAM (PARTNER'S TEAM INCLUDED SOCIAL MOBILIZER) - COMPLETED.**

**INCEPTION MEETING WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS - COMPLETED.**

**MIGRANTS RETURNEES DATA COLLECTION - COMPLETED.**

**PREPARATORY WORK FOR BASELINE - COMPLETED**

**TRAININGS AND INPUT TO MIGRANT RETURNEES - ONGOING**

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## INCEPTION MEETING WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

The elected body of rural municipality, senior officers, department representatives and different agencies participated in the Inception meetings at the ward and municipal level. In Jumla, total 23 participants (3 Female / 20 male) including chairs of each ward participated in the meeting and discussed about the different agenda focused on the migrant returnees. In Bajhang, total 10 (1 RM, 9 Wards) meeting were conducted with total 192 participants (58 Female/ 124 Male).

During the field visit of ICCO, meeting with local government regarding the Management Information System on migrant returnees was conducted. It was found that the rural municipality does not currently maintain a database or digital profile of returnee migrants. The initial verbal agreement between SRIJANA team and the Rural municipality is to develop the digital profile together with RM including relevant and reliable data and information, RM has also agreed to take responsibility (financial and technical) for developing digital profile of RM in Kanakasundari, Jumla and Thalara of Bajhang.

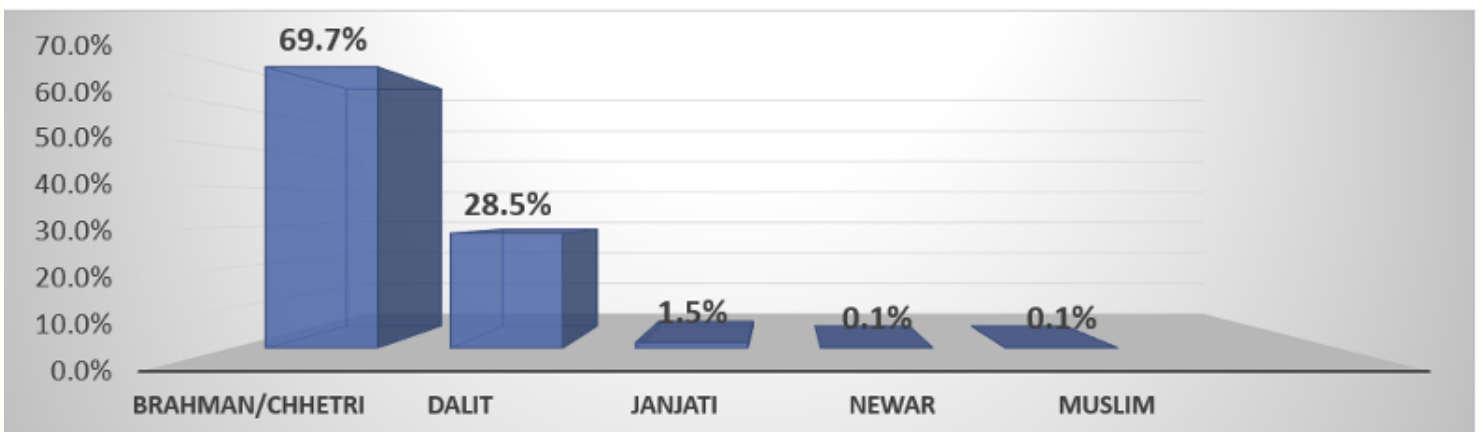


## MIGRANT RETURNEE PROFILE

Total 1628 migrant returnee's data has been collected from Bajhang and Jumla from each ward by using the KoBo mobile application. The final beneficiaries will be selected from the collected list based on the different criteria set out by the respective district such as caste, gender, financial status, need and interest of migrant returnees, skills, experiences etc.

## Ethnicity of migrant Returnees

- \* About 2% of family members are people with Disabilities (N = 10986)



## Profession/work of migrant returnees in Aboard

Profession/ Work in Aboard	% of Responses
Daily Wages	50%
Security Guard	22%
Hotel/Restaurant	20%
Others	7%
Drivers	1%

## Monthly Income of Migrant Returnees

Income NPR (Thousand)	% of responses
Above 30 K	1%
20-30 K	6%
15-20 K	12%
10-15 K	40%
Below 10 K	41%

### Baseline Survey:

The preparatory work of the baseline survey has also completed along the following points:

- ToR prepared, selected consultants, shared project documents for desk review.
- Agreement done with selected consultants.
- Sampling framework and survey tools (Household questionnaire, FGD, KII) developed and finalized.
- Field enumeration plan prepared and shared with team.

## BENEFICIARY IDENTIFICATION/ GROUP FORMATION

Based on the comprehensive Migrant Returnee Profile, by the end of April 2021, both district teams are in the process of selecting beneficiaries and organising them into groups.

In Jumla, so far 2 groups have been formed (improved chicken farming group, Youth vegetable farming group, honeybee production group) and the process is ongoing. Similarly, in Bajhang, 10 groups with 228 members (193 male/35 female) have been formed so far.



## TRAININGS AND INPUT SUPPORT FOR RETURNEE MIGRANTS

### JUMLA:

**Improved Poultry Farming** : 3 day comprehensive training provided to 16 (14 male/2 female) migrant returnees in the Kanakasundari RM. The training was mainly focused on the poultry type, main feeds, care of chicken, probable diseases, farm/chicken coop and markets and benefits of poultry farming.

### BAJHANG:

**Psychosocial counselling** : 3 day training was conducted for project staff for the effective implementation and counselling to the migrant returnees. Total 9 staffs (4 female/5 male) participated in the training

**Rapid Market Analysis:** A market analysis for suitable vocational training options for migrant returnees was conducted at Thalara Rural Municipality. The findings and recommendations of the analysis will be shared in the final report.

**Orientation on Agri-businesses:** A 3 day orientation activity was conducted for migrant returnees on agri-businesses, high value and quick return livelihood schemes. A total of 34 participants (30 male/ 4 female) participated in the orientation, meeting and selected t vegetable farming, goat farming, handicraft (bamboo/Nigalo) as preferred livelihood option.