



Government of Nepal
Ministry of Water Supply

ADB

Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management

Urban Water Supply and Sanitation (Sector) Project Project Management Office



The project impact is aligned with Nepal's urban water supply and sanitation policy, 2009 with "quality of life for urban population, including the poor and marginalized, improved through the provision of sustainable WSS services".

PROJECT INFORMATION

Urban Water Supply and Sanitation (Sector) Project (UWSSP) funded by Government of Nepal, Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Water Users Association (WUA)/Local Government started its activities from 11 Jan 2019 and will continue till the end of October 2023. The ultimate loan closing will be in 30 April 2024. UWSSP works in twenty (20) project Rural/Municipalities of the country. The Ministry of Water Supply (MOWS) is the Executing Agency (EA). The Department of Water Supply and Sewerage Management (DWSSM) is Implementing Agency (IA) and has established the Project Management Office (PMO) for the UWSSP.

The project is the continuation of ADB support to the government in improving WSS services through earlier three projects, introducing the “small towns model” developed with ADB support which involves (i) a demand driven cost-sharing approach that strengthens ownership and inclusion of women and marginalized groups; (ii) use of explicit, performance-based subsidies to deliver services to poor and vulnerable groups; (iii) use of a participatory financing mechanism with partial investment cost recovery; (iv) introduction of tariffs that allow to recover operation and maintenance (O&M) and debt service costs; and (v) WUSCs as service operators.

Important milestones are:

| SN | Description of Items | Dates |
|----|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Date of Loan Approval by ADB Board | 26 September 2018 |
| 2 | Date of Loan signing | 26 November 2018 |
| 3 | Loan Effectiveness Date | 11 January 2019 |
| 4 | Project Completion Date | 31 October 2023 |
| 5 | Final Loan Closing Date | 30 April 2024 |

For the development of Sanitation Facilities Local Government will fund 15 % of the total sanitation cost and 85% of the sanitation development cost will be financed by the GON as grant to the local community.

For the development of Water Supply Facilities, Water User Association will fund 5 % cash as upfront cost, 25 % loan will be taken from TDF by the WUSC and remaining 70 % cost will be financed by the GON as grant to the local community.

Total Investment

| S. N. | Source of Fund | Amount million USD | Percentage of Financing |
|-------|--|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Asian Development Bank | 130.00 | 72.8% |
| 2 | Government of Nepal | 39.50 | 22.2% |
| 3 | Beneficiaries (Municipalities and users) | 9.00 | 5.0% |
| | Total | 178.50 | 100.0% |

Visit <https://www.uwssp.gov.np> or <https://www.adb.org/projects/35173-015/main#project-overview> for more Information about project.

Outcome by 2024:

- a. **Benefitted Population** : 320,000 people (including all poor and vulnerable) in project municipalities have access to 24/7 piped water supply at 100 lpcd, meeting NDWQS.
- b. **Improved Sanitation facilities** : 64,000 people (including all poor and vulnerable) in project municipalities have access to improved sanitation facilities.
- c. **Operationally** : WSS facilities operate at full capacity as designed
- d. **Self-reliance** : Operation and maintenance cost fully recovered from water tariff

UWSSP works with Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS), Decentralised Waste Water Treatment System (DEWATS), Faecal Sludge management (FSM) and Storm water Drainage (SWD) sub-projects in 20 project municipalities.

Core principles of UWSSP Strategy and Action Plans:

- Gender equality and social inclusion through GESI-AP
- Participation of poor and disadvantages ensured through OBA
- Climate, disaster risks and smart technology considered in design
- Environmental safeguard ensured through IEE and S-EMP
- Social safeguard ensured through DDR/RP/IPP
- Quality of construction ensured through QAP



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संयोजक: रामकृष्ण के.सी., अध्यक्ष (१८२९९८१०५३)
 सदस्य: वडा नं. २ अध्यक्ष विराजमान श्रेष्ठ वा (१८२९९००१२९१०)
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 वडा नं. ४ अध्यक्ष हरीशरण चौलागाई वा (१८२९९११४३५०)
 वडा नं. ५ अध्यक्ष रामचन्द्र बस्नेत वा (१८४४०९३५२२)
 वडा नं. ६ अध्यक्ष नविन लामा वा (१८२९९३३०४४)
 वडा नं. ७ अध्यक्ष कैलाश कुमार श्रेष्ठ (१८४४४०६५४४०)

सदस्य: पुष्पक सुवेदी, आयोजना इन्जिनियर (१८४९४५३९०५)
 सदस्य: वीरेन्द्र महजन, परामर्शदाता इन्जिनियर (१८९३४९६०३५)
 सदस्य: सजय श्रेष्ठ, साइट इन्जिनियर विभागा व्यवसायि (१८४६९३०९३५)
 सदस्य: सम्भवा बस्नेत, सामाजिक परिचालिका परामर्शदाता (१८६६४००३०४)

- e. **Reduced hardship on water fetching** : Average time per day spent by women on water collection reduced to zero in project coverage areas

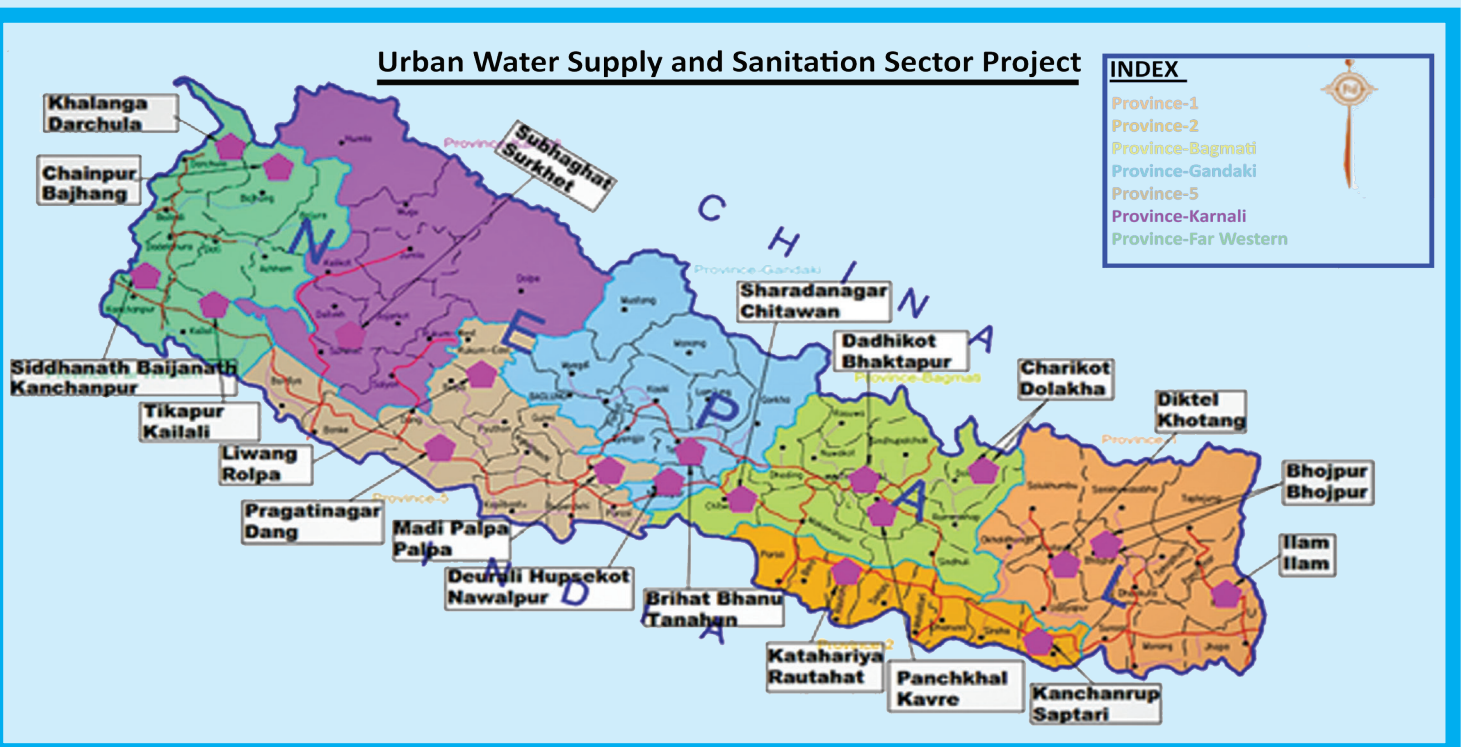
Output 1: WSS infrastructure in project municipalities improved

- 1,600 km of water supply pipes installed or rehabilitated;
- 15 water treatment plants constructed, with an estimated capacity of at least 0.6 million litres per day each;
- 66,000 connections for households to piped water supply, with subsidized connections for 8,000 poor and 2,000 vulnerable households (including 100% poor households headed by women) installed;
- 8,000 toilets constructed through output-based aid for poor and vulnerable households;
- 20 public toilets, gender and disabled friendly constructed, with septic tanks;
- Two decentralized wastewater treatment plants constructed and operational; and
- 30 km of storm water drainage constructed; and
- Climate and disaster risks considered in design, as necessary.

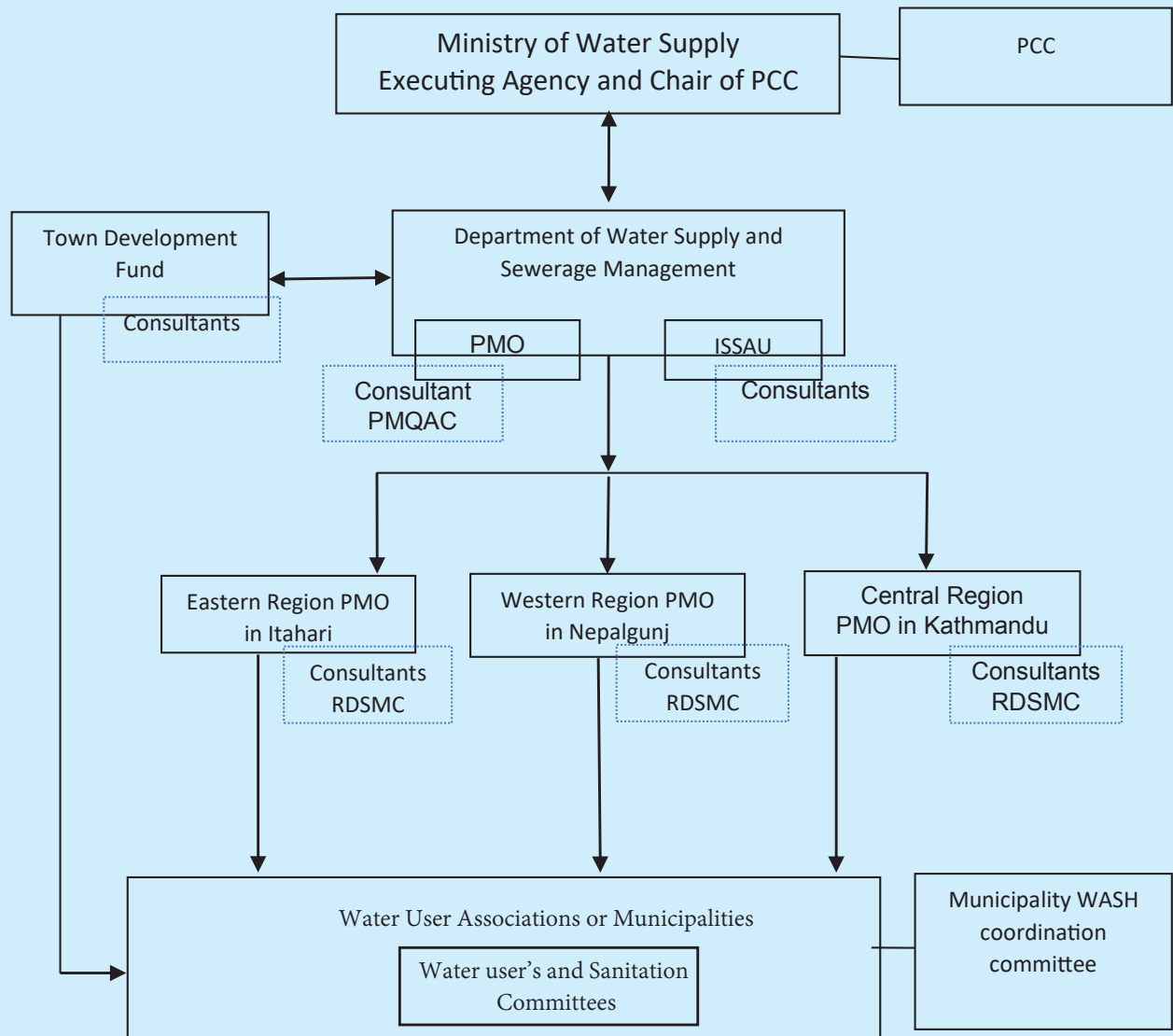
Output 2. Institutional and community capacities strengthened

- Water sanitation and hygiene plans including priority investments in 20 project municipalities prepared and approved by the municipalities;
- 20 WUAs registered and 20 WUSCs formed with at least 33% women members and at least one woman in a key post;
- Business plans and tariff guidelines prepared for project WUA and municipalities with support from the TDF and the Institutional Support and Service Advisory Unit (ISSAU) of DWSSM;
- At least 15 climate-resilient WSS subprojects for future investments prepared;
- At least 200 staff (at least 66 women) of the DWSSM, TDF, project WUAs, and project municipalities report stronger technical knowledge of smart utility management and leadership; and
- At least 100,000 people (at least 50% women) covered by awareness campaign on water conservation practices and sustainable hygiene behaviour and 80% report greater awareness.

Project Municipalities



Project Organization Structure of UWSSP



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