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WASH SDG Programme - Nepal

The WASH SDG Programme in Nepal is strengthening inclusive urban sanitation and hygiene programming in municipalities in provinces 2, 5 and 6. Funded by the Netherlands' Ministry of Foreign Affairs as part of the multi-country WASH SDG programme, the project is reaching 150,000 people between 2017 and 2022 in Nepal.

A strong partnership to work in seven countries

The multi-country WASH SGD programme is active in seven countries across Asia and Africa. It is implemented by a consortium led by the Wash Alliance International (WAI), together with Plan Netherlands and SNV. Focused on urban environments, the project is increasing access to safe drinking water for 450,000 people, and improving access to sanitation facilities and hygiene behaviour for two million people in urban settings.

Urban sanitation and hygiene for health and development

Most people in Nepal's urban areas have access to basic sanitation services, and the country was declared open defecation free in September 2019. At the same time, practices often remain unsafe.

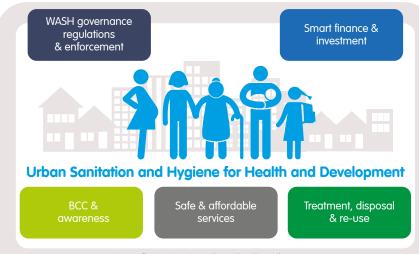


In the WASH SDG Nepal project, SNV is targeting municipalities in four districts in provinces 2, 5 and 6.

These include unsafe faecal sludge management as well as lack of access to hand-washing with soap. Sanitation and hygiene outcomes also vary across different population groups, such as women, people with disabilities, and minority ethnic groups, due to structural inequalities.



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Specific institutional and cultural context

SNV's Urban Sanitation and Hygiene for Health and Development approach creates access to inclusive sanitation and hygiene services.

The WASH SDG Nepal project is enhancing access to sanitation and hygiene facilities, improving sanitation behaviour, and strengthening urban faecal sludge management.

The project emphasises inclusive access for vulnerable and marginalised groups such as women, minorities, people with disabilities and low-income households.

The project is targeting Chandannath, and Birendranagar (in Jumla and Surkhet district in province 6), Nepalgunj Sub Metropolitan City (Banke district in province 5) and Khadak Municipality (Saptari district in province 2).

Table 1: The project's targeted results, segmented per municipality

City	Sanitation	Hygiene
Chandannath	4,000	4,000
Birendranagar	40,600	18,000
Nepalgunj	55,000	24,000
Khadak	7,400	6,000
Total	107,000	52,000

USHHD

To achieve the project objectives, SNV is using its urban sanitation approach, Urban Sanitation and Hygiene for Health and Development (USHHD).

SNV works together with local authorities to develop inclusive and sustainable city-wide sanitation services that address the entire faecal sludge chain.

This integrated approach encompasses multiple components:

- Behaviour Change Communication;
- Safe and affordable services;
- Governance and regulations;
- Smart finance and investments, and;
- Treatment, disposal and reuse.

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