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## Message

It is my great pleasure to know that the survey report of Public and Community Libraries of Nepal has been prepared. This is the collaborative effort of Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, READ Nepal, Santi Volunteer Association Nepal and New ERA.

This report provides status of public and community libraries established in Nepal. The report highlights several aspects such as the assess of libraries in terms of Books and Borrowers, Building and Budget, Human resource as well as various activities carried out by the libraries.

I hope that this report also guides to prepare future strategic plans to establish, promote and sustain the existing public and community libraries through various activities.

I would like to thank the entire team of READ Nepal, Santi Volunteer Association Nepal, New ERA and all the participating public and community libraries throughout the country to bring out the report.

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### Foreword

For more than thirty years, READ Nepal has been contributing to the economic, social and educational development of the community by establishing self-sustaining community libraries and resource centers (CLRCs) across Nepal. In the process of establishing and operating CLRCs, READ Nepal facilitates the detailed process extended in three phases which will help to enhance community capacities - the sense of community, shared commitment, ability to solve problems, and access to resources. So far, READ Nepal has established 69 community libraries in 43 districts of Nepal and reached over 2.6 million people.

Though Nepal has been able to gain significant achievement in the education sector, the existence of data highlighting the number and status of public and community libraries were lacking. READ Nepal recently conducted a public and community library survey in the leadership of the Ministry of Education, Science & Technology (MoEST) with financial support from SVA Nepal. This survey was conducted to find out the number of existing public and community libraries, their status of operation and their contribution to educational development and ensuring access to the information to the communities.

We hope this survey finding will help the stakeholders to navigate the long-term vision, strategic direction, and planning, improvement, and development of the public and community libraries in Nepal. READ Nepal will conduct the national level workshop to share the findings and gain feedback from all the relevant stakeholders.

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## Executive Summary

The READ Nepal community library model visualizes a place with relevant books and educational materials, a training/conference hall, information, and communications technology (ICT) section, and women's and children's sections. The libraries offer need-based training and comprehensive program packages for thousands of individuals each year in the areas of livelihood skills, micro-enterprise development, literacy, women's empowerment, youth empowerment, health education, and technology through a variety of partnerships. Since the opening of its first office in 1991 in Nepal, READ Nepal has grown into a strong Community Libraries and Resource Centers (CLRCs) playing an important role in socio-economic transformation in the lives of community people.

Nepal has seen growth in the number of libraries since 1990 but there is a lack of reliable data on the number and status of Public/Community Libraries (P/CL) in Nepal. The lack of assessment of existing performance and infrastructure of P/CLs can hinder the progress of the sector and also the preparation of relevant action plans. Further, without an assessment, it is not easy to prepare a long-term vision, formulate strategic direction and develop objectives for the sector aligned with national development plans.

The purpose of this assessment is to provide a comprehensive understanding and analysis of the P/CL sector to have a robust vision in place and preparation of future strategic plans for self-sustaining public and community library services in Nepal. The study adopted a mixed-method approach in which both quantitative and qualitative data were collected and analyzed. The quantitative approach entailed data collection through an online platform using KoBo Toolbox, completion of questionnaire manually via telephone calls, and face-to-face interviews with the library representatives. Altogether 227 library representatives were interviewed in 69 districts of the country. Likewise, as a part of the qualitative approach, a total of 14 Focus Group Discussion (FGD), 42 In-depth Interviews (IDIs), and eight case studies were undertaken. The approach largely focused on assessing the impact and the future plan of development of libraries.

### Key findings:

- Almost 85 percent of the libraries were registered at District Administration Office (DAO), District Education Office (DEO), and local government units. Other institutions included the Zonal office.
- One-third of libraries had an affiliation with the Social Welfare Council (SWC) and more than one-fifth of libraries were affiliated with Nepal Community Libraries Association (NCLA).
- Seventy percent of the libraries were public. It was quite encouraging to note that over 90 percent of the libraries were fully functioning. In terms of opening days, only 17 percent reported that they open all days in a week. The average opening hours calculated was 5.2 hours.
- Nearly three-fifths of the total libraries were supported by the Nepal government and local government units for their operation.

- Approximately 12 percent of the libraries had an average of 3340 books in Nepali and nearly 10 percent had an average of 1415 books in English. With respect to audiobooks, 11 percent of the libraries had an average of Nepali books and 10 percent had an average of 188 English books. Only 12 percent of the libraries had e-newspapers.
- Nearly three-quarters of libraries had the practice of listing reading materials. Seventy-eight percent of the libraries had Manual (AACR) listing; nine percent had digital recording systems while 12 percent had both systems.
- The major source of income of the libraries was government sources (35%) followed by private sources (33%) Individual/NGO grants (23%) and other sources (8%).
- Thirty-nine percent of the libraries had sustainable income sources. Nearly 47 percent of the libraries mentioned their income source as member's fee and 40 percent of libraries operated with financial support from government/local government.
- Of the total 227 libraries, only 185 (81.5%) libraries reported expenditure on one or other operational headings. The average expense of these libraries was Rs. 497,222 in 2020/2021.
- Almost half of the libraries were operating in public property, one-third in their own property, and one-tenth in rented property. The libraries had an average of 4 rooms. One-fourth of the libraries had a disabled-friendly infrastructure and nearly half of the libraries in each province had separate male and female toilets.
- Almost 70 percent of libraries had a computer, 58 percent had printers, half of the libraries had photocopy machines, and one-third had scanners. Similarly, 17 percent of libraries had servers and one-fourth had cameras.
- Seventy-three percent of libraries had education and reading habit development programs in place while seventy-one percent of the libraries had book exchange services. Similarly, more than three-fifths of libraries had conducted mass awareness and information access increment programs, while over forty percent of the libraries had recreation programs and photocopy scanning services (49% each), women and youth strengthening programs (47%).
- About one-fifth of the libraries reported that they had historical and handwritten materials.
- Some of the key challenges reported were inadequate government support, inadequate awareness among the locals about the significance of having the libraries in place, and the absence of ICT.

## Acronyms

AACR	Anglo American Cataloguing Rules
BCC	Brick Cement Concrete
CLRC	Community Libraries and Resource Centers
DAO	District Administration Office
DEO	District Education Office
DDC	Dewey Decimal Classification
FGD	Focus Group Discussion
GESO	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IDI	In-depth Interviews
INGO	International Non-Governmental Organization
KII	Key-Informant Interview
MoEST	Ministry of Education Science and Technology
NCLA	Nepal Community Libraries Association
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
P/CL	Public/Community Libraries
PREPARE	Project to Prepare the Public Administration for State Reforms
SACCOS	Siddhi Ganesh Savings and Credit Cooperative Societies
SVA	Shanti Volunteer Association
SWC	Social Welfare Council

## 1.0 Background

READ Nepal traces its establishment back to 1991 when the trekking guide requested Dr. Antonia Neubauer (READ Founder) to establish a library in the small village of Junbesi. The library was established with just 900 books<sup>1</sup> and was created as a social enterprise that generated income to meet the operation and maintenance costs. The READ Nepal model of community library has evolved merely from one library section to multiple sections for children, women, youth, newly literate, and illiterate in Nepal, India, Bhutan and going to expand in Africa soon.

Now, the READ Nepal model is aimed at creating libraries as safe spaces that serve local communities. The model visualizes a place with relevant books and educational materials, a training/conference hall, information, and communications technology (ICT), and women's and children's sections. The community libraries offer need-based training and comprehensive program packages for thousands of individuals each year in the areas of livelihood skills, micro-enterprise development, literacy, women's empowerment, youth empowerment, health education, and technology through a variety of partnerships.

A lack of assessment of existing performance and infrastructure of Public/Community Library (P/CL) can hinder the progress of the sector and also the preparation of relevant action plans. Further, without an assessment, it is not easy to prepare a long-term vision, formulate strategic direction and develop objectives for the sector aligned with national development plans.

The key purpose therefore of this assessment is to provide a comprehensive understanding and analysis of the P/CL sector to have a robust vision in place and preparation of future strategic plans for self-sustaining public and community library services in Nepal. The assessment is based on a clear understanding of possible approaches to service provision, a deep knowledge of the needs and benefits to potential users, and a realistic stakeholder-owned analysis of conditions in Nepal. It is a joint venture of READ Nepal, Shanti Volunteer Association (SVA) Nepal, and the Ministry of Education Science and Technology (MoEST). By engaging with relevant stakeholders, this survey aimed at strengthening the ability of the library and information sector to advocate for equitable access to information and resilient, sustainable library communities.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Speech by Dr. Antonia Neubauer, Founder READ Nepal, in the *Shmarika* of Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Smarak Pustakalaya Bikash Samite 2077 page 13.

## 2.0 Objectives of the Survey

As specified in the ToR the survey was designed with three main objectives as below:

- 1. To understand the scenario of Public/Community Libraries (P/CL) in the context of Nepal**
  - a. Number and brief status of public/community libraries (P/CL) in Nepal
  - b. Assessment of libraries in terms of 5Bs (Books, Brain, Building, Budget, and Borrowers); management, services/activities, challenges, and sustainability.
  - c. Population vs. P/CL ratio and their users-ratio.
  - d. Policies, plans, and practices related to P/CL in Nepal.
- 2. To assess the impact of public/community library services on people's lives.**
  - a. Identify the impact of libraries on people's lives
  - b. Identify the main challenges that the P/CL face that is hindering their growth.
- 3. To identify the vision, planning, constraints, and opportunities in library development of library leaders.**
  - a. Understand the vision of local leaders (mayors/deputy mayors/ward chairpersons) - their planning, expectations, and constraints on the development of P/CL in their area.
  - b. Understand library leaders' suggestions/recommendations for library development.

### 3.0 Methodology

The survey was executed by New ERA with support from MoEST, SVA Nepal, and READ Nepal. A steering committee was formed that comprised of representatives from MoEST, READ Nepal, SVA Nepal, READ/Global, and invitee New ERA. The committee was intended to guide and facilitate survey modality to achieve the objectives set.

The steering committee members provided full cooperation in updating the latest contact information of P/CLs. The steering committee comprised of individuals having considerable experience in the sector and proved to be an asset. The survey implementer focused on this list to contact the libraries in all districts assigned for the survey. The core team of the survey implementer also sought help from the local government officials to update the list of libraries. MoEST and READ Nepal also provide support in obtaining an updated list of libraries in all districts. New ERA took the following steps to prepare the list of existing P/CLs in Nepal:

1. Used a list of libraries with contact information (phone number and Email ids) from READ and MoEST from their respective network to identify and contact respondents.
2. Contacted the municipalities of the districts to find libraries for which information was scarce.
3. Contacted the ward chairpersons of the municipalities in non-READ-supported districts to get more information about the libraries in the districts. Later on, the same method was followed for the READ-supported districts as well.
4. Updated the list by using its own network of enumerators/contacts;
5. Updated the list based on information provided by the respondents.

Quantitative data collection was held from November 30, 2021, to January 10, 2022. Meanwhile, qualitative data collection (FGDs and IDIs) was undertaken between December 20 - 29, 2021. Further, case studies were conducted on January 4-5, 2022.

The survey adopted a mixed-method approach for data collection purposes. A snowball approach was also adopted to obtain the name and contact addresses of the libraries in the districts. Additionally, the survey team working in the field provided some important information concerning the libraries. As a result, it was possible to contact as many as 332 libraries (those with contact details) from the list of 927 libraries (Annex 4). Of all the libraries having detailed contact addresses, only 227 libraries participated in the survey. The main reasons for no response/participation on the part of the libraries were their lack of interest/time and respondents not having functional phone numbers and contact addresses.

The detail of the quantitative and qualitative approach is presented in the following sections:



### 3.1 Quantitative Survey

The quantitative survey was executed after sending the electronic questionnaire to all the identified libraries as well as dispatched through the MoEST official website. The questionnaire was administered to the responsible focal person at the library (one person per library). The questionnaire primarily focused on assessing the overall scenario of P/CL in Nepal, challenges faced, and collecting suggestions/recommendations for library development. As part of the snow-balling approach, the respondents were also asked to mention the name and contact details of other P/CLs that they were aware of. The study team contacted these libraries as well. The libraries from the available list were divided into two categories: category-1) the libraries having internet facilities, and category-2) the libraries having phones. The survey implementer followed three tiers to collect information from these libraries as follows:

**Tier One:** The survey was carried out after sending the form/questionnaire to the category-1 libraries with internet access and those that were able to use KoBo<sup>2</sup>. The respondents were mainly librarians, secretaries, or chairpersons. Necessary time was allotted to them to check their office records income and expenditure, libraries resources, books, and other details. The form was designed in a user-friendly manner and the technical team of the survey implementing agency ensured that they were completed correctly. A total of 79 Libraries were surveyed by this method.

**Tier Two:** The survey collected data via phone calls for those respondents who did not have internet access. This was done by five enumerators from Kathmandu. One-day training on the questionnaire and programming was provided to the enumerators to familiarize them with the questionnaire. The first half was used for the paper questionnaire and the second half for the tablet and KoBo Programming. A total of 60 libraries were surveyed by this method.

**Tier Three:** The survey also collected information through manually filled-up forms by the concerned libraries. It was done after circulating the written letter by GoN, MoEST to the provincial and local level government. The received forms were printed and data entered on KoBo Programming by our interviewers. A total of 88 libraries were surveyed by this method.

### 3.2 Qualitative Survey

The survey used the qualitative component (Focus Group Discussions and In-depth Interviews) as well with an aim to supplement and complement the results obtained through the quantitative survey. A key objective of the qualitative component of the study was to explore the perception and experience of those in charge of library management like the librarians and library management committee members and those community beneficiaries who have access to the services

In the context of movement restrictions due to the present COVID-19 situation, there was an agreement among the survey implementing agency and READ Nepal to select the study districts purposively. Table 1 shows the districts selected for the qualitative survey. The

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<sup>2</sup> Android based application KoBo for remote data programming for data collection

qualitative component was carried out in seven districts (one district per province). To undertake FGDs and interviews, a team of two researchers (one moderator and one note-taker) were mobilized.

**Table 1: Districts Selected for Qualitative Survey**

S.N.	Provinces	Districts	Program
1.	Province 1	Morang	READ supported
2.	Madhesh	Siraha	READ supported
3.	Bagmati	Chitwan	READ supported
4.	Gandaki	Kaski	READ supported
5.	Lumbini	Rupendehi	Not Supported by READ
6.	Karnali	Surkhet	Not Supported by READ
7.	Sudur Paschim	Kanchanpur	Not Supported by READ

**FGDs:** A total of 14 FGDs were conducted with community people to know how the libraries are impacting people's lives. Participants were students, parents/guardians/community members. To ensure inclusiveness, participants from different caste/ethnic groups were considered.

**In-depth Interviews:** Altogether 42 in-depth interviews (2 from each district representing one province) were conducted. The respondents were the individuals who provided information concerning P/CLs in general and related areas including challenges faced, coverage, impact on people's lives.

Further, interviews were conducted with local leaders (Mayors/Deputy Mayors/Ward Chairpersons) and library leaders and readers. The interviews were largely intended to assess their visions, planning, expectations, and constraints on the development of P/CL, the impact of P/CLs on the peoples' lives, and challenges being faced by P/CL in their growth.

### 3.3 Case Study

Similarly, case studies were conducted as a part of the survey to capture chronicles of successful libraries. The information largely included the process of operation, management, membership, and community involvement. This was intended to inspire other libraries to follow the example for further development. The survey collected a total of eight case studies from eight districts (4 active and good Vs 4 inactive). Libraries that were not registered, not renewed, did not have any management committee, and not open 8 hours per day was considered inactive libraries (Table 2).

**Table 2: District and Libraries Selected for Case Study**

Province	District	Name of Library	Status
1	Morang	Lekhnath CLRC	Active and good
1	Sankhuwasawa	Matram Library	Inactive
3	Chitwan	Jhuwani CLRC	Active and good
3	Kavre	Gyan Bikas CLRC	Active and good
1	Solukhumbu	Junbesi ICLRC	Active and good
5	Arghakanchi	Arghakanachi Foundation	Inactive
5	Mustang	Bhupi CLRC	Inactive
3	Bhaktapur	Janma Bhumi Library	Inactive

Note: Two case study districts -Morang and Chitwan were also the districts for other qualitative studies and therefore, the survey team visited and conducted interviews in person for the case study. While in other districts, the survey was conducted remotely by phone survey.

### 3.4 Tools Used for Survey

#### Quantitative Tools (Annex 2):

- Semi-structured questionnaire for the library Chairperson or the Secretary or any other designated person for the library.

#### Qualitative Tools (Annex 2):

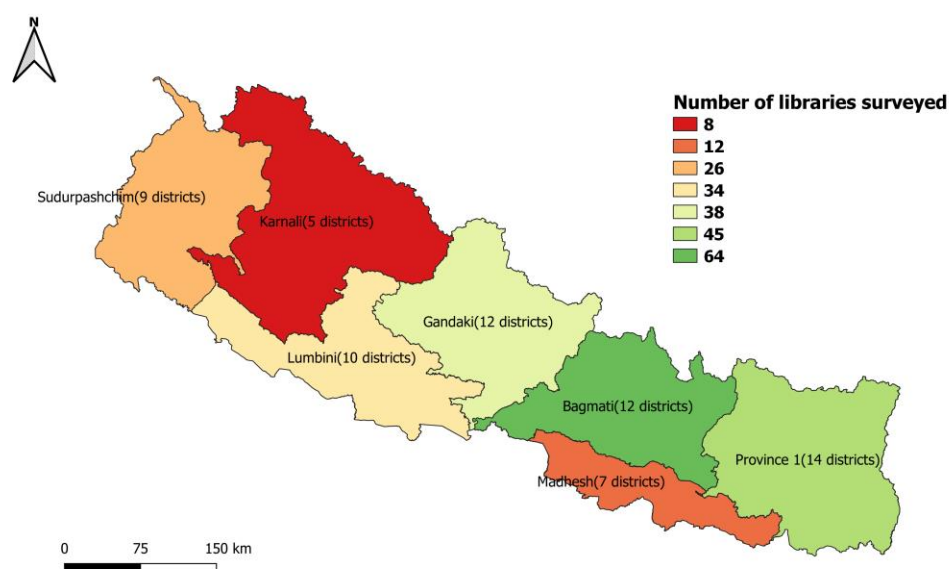
- A question guide and protocol for FGD;
- Tailored semi-structured checklists for different in-depth interviews respondents and
- Checklist for case studies.

### 3.5 Questionnaire Programming and Analysis

The quantitative tool was designed by the MoEST and READ Nepal which later was reviewed and customized by the survey team member. Proper skip patterns and consistency of the questions were addressed in order to ensure quality data. Standard software tools “KoBo” Toolbox (ODK) consisted of sending a link to the libraries so that they could open and complete the questionnaire. Data received were imported into the SPSS version 25.0 for data analysis purposes. Besides, qualitative tools were prepared by the survey team member in consultation with READ Nepal. The tools were translated into Nepali for the fieldwork.

A total of 227 libraries were surveyed in all seven provinces by January 10, 2022, and analysis in this report is based on these data. The information of other libraries received after January 10 is presented as annexes. Of the total 227 libraries, Bagmati province has the largest number (66) of libraries and Karnali has the smallest (8). The libraries represented 69 districts. Province-wise data (number of districts and libraries covered) is presented in Figure 1.

**Figure 1: Province Wise Number of Survey District and Libraries Covered**



## 4.0 Challenges of the Survey

Though the survey was conducted successfully, some of the challenges faced are worth mentioning:

- Though snowballing was designed in the initial stage of survey implementation, the approach was not as successful as expected because those libraries who were contacted could give only the names of other libraries in their district, not the detailed contact information.
- Those libraries that couldn't fill the online form manually filled up the questionnaire and sent it to New ERA via READ office and MoEST. Most of these forms were partially filled and had information gaps and missing data in some indicators. The survey team had to contact them again to fill in the missing data.
- Some respondents had technical issues and were unable to open the electronic form.
- Libraries were not able to provide the names of responsible people to fill up the forms. Some suggested names were no longer associated with the library or had resigned and they were not able to provide new staff's contact information. Some library officials were out of station/districts while some phone numbers were unreachable, and Emails sent to many libraries bounced back.
- The unavailability of the respondents also posed a major challenge in completing the survey. Many did not respond to the repeated calls, or re-scheduled the calls and were still unavailable to talk to the team. The interviewing duration had to be extended by 15 days for the first time, then for seven and three days more. As a result, it took nearly six weeks for the quantitative data collection as against two weeks as initially planned.

## 5.0 Study Findings

### 5.1 Status of Libraries

#### Registration of Libraries

Among the libraries surveyed, 84 percent were reported to be registered. The percentage of libraries registered was highest in the Gandaki province (97%) and lowest in the Karnali province (63%). Nearly three fourth of these libraries were registered in District Administrative Office followed by District Education Office (27%) and Local government (20%). Libraries of Gandaki province had the highest proportion (87%) of libraries registered in the District Administration Office and Karnali Province had the highest proportion of libraries (40%) registered in the Local Government body (Table 3).

**Table 3: Distribution of Libraries Registration and the Name of Institution in which they are Registered According to Provinces**

Province	Percentage of library registered	Number of libraries	Among the library registered, percentage of the institution in which the library is registered <sup>1</sup>					Number of registered libraries
			District Administration Office	District education office	Education development and coordination unit	Local government	Others, the then zonal office, inland revenue office	
Province 1	84.4	45	68.4	26.3	0.0	28.9	0.0	38
Madhesh Province	91.7	12	72.7	36.4	9.1	9.1	9.1	11
Bagmati Province	71.9	64	76.1	21.7	0.0	30.4	2.2	46
Gandaki Province	97.4	38	86.5	18.9	0.0	2.7	0.0	37
Lumbini Province	85.3	34	51.7	41.4	3.4	17.2	3.4	29
Karnali Province	62.5	8	60.0	40.0	0.0	40.0	0.0	5
Sudur Paschim Province	96.2	26	84.0	28.0	0.0	16.0	0.0	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>73.3</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>191</b>

<sup>1</sup> Respondent may have reported multiple institutions, so the sum of institutions may exceed 100 percent

When asked the reasons for not registering, lack of time and financial support were some of the key responses received. Additionally, the respondents also informed that they did not feel necessary to register as the libraries were being managed by municipalities and other institutions. However, some did report that they had plans to register.

The comment below from a key informant indicates that the establishment of the libraries and registration of the same depending on the willingness of the local people.

“...This library was opened in 2008 ES in a room of Dibya Jyoti basic school, as some informed people felt a need of a community library. Later, two brothers of the community also donated two *katha* of land. A library building was constructed by using that fund and books in the schoolroom were transferred to this building. Later, it was also registered.” FGD, Chitwan, Bagmati.

Table 4 presents information on the affiliated organizations of libraries by province. More than two-fifths (44%) of libraries did not have any association with other organizations. One-third of libraries had an affiliation with Social Welfare Council (SWC) and more than one-fifth of libraries had with Nepal community Library association. About eight percent of the

libraries had an association with other organizations like district education office, local government, etc.

**Table 4: Percentage of Libraries Affiliated by Different Organization**

Affiliated Organization	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Social Welfare Council	16.3	41.7	33.3	45.9	26.5	12.5	48.0	32.4
Nepal Community Libraries Association	25.6	16.7	17.5	21.6	32.4	12.5	24.0	22.5
Other organization <sup>1</sup>	11.6	0.0	12.7	8.1	0.0	25.0	0.0	8.1
Didn't have any affiliation	46.5	41.7	44.4	29.7	52.9	50.0	44.0	43.7
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>222</b>
<sup>1</sup> Other Organization includes READ Nepal, District Education Office, Local Government, and Inland Revenue Office								
<b>Note:</b> Respondents may have reported multiple affiliated organizations, so the sum may exceed 100 percent								
Missing cases 5								

Among the registered libraries, almost half were established from 2005 ES onwards. Among those libraries, the highest proportion (41%) of libraries was established in the period between 2005 to 2015. Only seven percent of libraries were recently established (from 2016 onwards) (Annex-1 Table 1).

Table 5 provides information on the last renewal date of libraries. More than half of the libraries were renewed recently (2020 and 2021 ES). The libraries renewed in the year 2021 vary from a low of 25 percent in Karnali and Bagmati province to a high of 42 percent in Madhesh province. Nearly one-fourth of libraries (24%) were not renewed (may include unregistered libraries).

**Table 5: Percentage of Last Renew Date of Libraries**

Last Renew Date (ES)	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Don't know	33.3	8.3	31.7	7.9	29.4	25.0	15.4	24.3
1981	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
1994	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.4
1995	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
1996	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
1998	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
2003	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.4
2008	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
2009	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.4
2010	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
2011	2.2	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
2012	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.4
2013	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
2014	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
2016	0.0	0.0	1.6	2.6	0.0	12.5	0.0	1.3
2017	2.2	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	7.7	1.8
2018	2.2	0.0	11.1	5.3	5.9	0.0	0.0	5.3
2019	2.2	8.3	4.8	7.9	5.9	0.0	7.7	5.3
2020	22.2	25.0	20.6	39.5	29.4	37.5	26.9	27.0
2021	28.9	41.7	25.4	28.9	26.5	25.0	30.8	28.3
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>226</b>
Note: Missing case 1								



As reported by the respondents, nearly one-third (30%) of the libraries were Public and 70 percent were Community Libraries<sup>3</sup>. However, considering Library and Information Management Guideline 2069 Government of Nepal, Ministry of Education, "Public and Community Library" means a library operated in such a way that anyone can study or use it in public with or without the membership of the library and anyone can become a member of the library and use the book exchange or transaction services. By this definition, Karnali province had the highest number (75%) of public libraries and Madhesh province had the lowest proportion of public libraries (17%) (Table 6).

**Table 6: Percentage of Types of Libraries**

Type of library	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Public	15.6	41.7	40.6	36.8	38.2	12.5	11.5	30.4
Community	84.4	58.3	59.4	63.2	61.8	87.5	88.5	69.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Public as defined by READ	51.1	16.7	45.3	43.2	57.1	75.0	57.7	48.9
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

### **Function of Libraries**

Table 7 provides information on the function of libraries. Ninety-one percent of libraries were functional at the time of the survey. All libraries from Madhesh province were currently functioning. Among those not functioning and partial functioning libraries, two percent of libraries were not functioning since 2012 ES (Annex-1 Table 2).

**Table 7: Percentage Distribution of Function of Library**

Library functioning	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Functional	91.1	100.0	85.9	92.1	91.2	87.5	96.2	90.7
Not Functional	2.2	0.0	3.1	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	1.8
Partial Functional	6.7	0.0	10.9	7.9	5.9	12.5	3.8	7.5
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

The qualitative component of the study suggests that locals to some extents are aware of the significance of the proper functioning of the libraries. The comment from a respondent:

“... it is absolutely essential to have proper functioning libraries. It is necessary to increase the quality of education. Further, it helps the readers to learn about books.”  
KII with president, Prahari Sital Prasad Memorial Community, Arnama Municipality, Siraha district.

<sup>3</sup> "Library and Information Management Guideline 2069, Government of Nepal Ministry of Education define the public and community libraries.

## **Library Opening Days and Hours**

Of the total surveyed libraries that were fully operating (N=206), 91 percent reported that they open at least one day a week<sup>4</sup>. Seventeen percent of the libraries reported that they open all days a week and about three fourth percent of libraries open six days a week. The highest 33 percent of libraries of Madhesh province open all days in a week and most of the libraries from Karnali province (86%) open six days a week (Table 8).

**Table 8: Percentage of Days Open in a Week**

Days	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
1	0.0	0.0	1.8	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5
2	7.3	0.0	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4
3	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	1.0
4	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	1.0
5	2.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
6	73.2	58.3	67.3	74.3	83.9	85.7	96.0	75.7
7	14.6	33.3	25.5	20.0	9.7	14.3	4.0	17.5
Average Days	5.8	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.1	6.0	5.9
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>206</b>

The average opening hours calculated was 5.2 hours which was quite encouraging to note. It was highest in Sudur Paschim (6 hours) and lowest in Karnali Province (4 hours).

The comment below from an interview respondent suggests the importance of having long library opening hours.

“Library could be a place where people could go in the morning and evening to read the newspaper as well as it could be a meeting place for people. People who could not read at home and who do not have the capacity to purchase or not possible were the reason to set up a library.” KII with Librarian, Gyan Jyoti Learning Center, Surkhet, Karnali.

**Table 9: Percentage of Library Opening Hour**

Library opening hour in a day	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
1	2.4	0.0	3.6	2.9	3.2	0.0	0.0	2.4
2	9.8	16.7	14.5	2.9	12.9	0.0	0.0	9.2
3	9.8	0.0	10.9	8.6	16.1	28.6	0.0	9.7
4	17.1	16.7	18.2	5.7	9.7	57.1	16.0	15.5
5	19.5	8.3	9.1	11.4	3.2	0.0	16.0	11.2
6	26.8	25.0	9.1	28.6	35.5	14.3	36.0	24.3
7	2.4	8.3	18.2	31.4	16.1	0.0	16.0	15.5
8	7.3	16.7	14.5	5.7	3.2	0.0	16.0	9.7
9	2.4	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
12	2.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Average hours	5.0	5.6	5.0	5.8	4.8	4.0	6.0	5.2
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>206</b>

<sup>4</sup> The average days open in a week is six days.

## **Library Management Committee**

A majority of the libraries (95%) had a management committee. Some of the key roles of the committee were: i) to frame general rules for the management of the library; ii) to advise the librarian regarding general library development, and iii) to prepare the annual budget estimates of the library. All libraries from Madhesh province and Karnali had a management committee. Nearly seven percent of libraries from Province 1 and Bagmati did not have a library management committee.

**Table 10: Library Management Committee**

Library Management / Committee	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	93.3	100.0	93.8	97.4	97.1	100.0	96.2	95.6
No	6.7	0.0	6.3	2.6	2.9	0.0	3.8	4.4
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

## **Characteristic of Libraries Management Committee**

Of the libraries that had library management committees, 211 libraries reported that they had a chairperson. The ethnic background composition of these management committees suggested that one-third of the chairpersons were from the Brahmin caste group followed by Chhetris (21%) and *Pahadi Janjati* (Hill indigenous) (18%). Ninety-five percent of the libraries had a male chairperson. Similarly, 188 libraries reported that they had a vice-chairperson/president and one-third of the total Vice-chairperson/president were from the Brahmin caste group followed by 18 percent from *Pahadi Janjati*. Seventy-five percent of them were male and nearly two percent had some form of disability (Table 11).

Of the total libraries considered for the study, 205 libraries reported that they had a secretary. Brahmins constituted 39 percent of the secretaries followed by *Janjatis* (19%). Nearly 80 percent of libraries have a male secretary and 2.5 percent of libraries had secretaries with some form of disabilities.

Finally, 189 libraries had a treasurer and nearly 30 percent of them belonged to the Pahadi (Hill) Brahmin caste group followed by Pahadi Janjati (19%). More than three-fifths of the libraries had male treasurers while one percent had treasurers with some form of disabilities (see Table 12).

It is often argued that the management committee plays a crucial role in effectively catering services to the users. It was reflected in one of the FGDs undertaken as a part of the study.

“The management committee of this library is very active and helpful. This has helped considerably in providing equal opportunity to people of all caste and religions. Some examples include people of all castes and religions equally participate in skill development training, computer training for children, Montessori training for teachers and literacy class for illiterates, etc.” FGD with Beneficiaries, Saina Maina Municipality 8, Rupandehi district of Lumbini Province.

The librarians play a crucial role in the proper and effective functioning of the libraries. One of the key areas that the qualitative component explored was the ‘brain’ (or the librarians) behind the smooth operation of the libraries. The Chairperson in most of the libraries was aware of having qualified librarian in place:

“One (librarian) must be well aware of the essence of the library. He/she must have studied about the library. He/she must be able to coordinate or have a partnership with others. Librarians are well educated in this library. They have completed the Intermediate level. They are active. They have properly fulfilled their responsibilities. There are no complaints regarding the librarians. They are helpful towards the management committee. Librarians have helped as per the need. They all behave like a family.” Case Study of Chairperson, Jhuwani Samudayek Pustakalaya, Jhuwani, Ratnanagar, Chitwan district.

**Table 11: Percentage Distribution of Cast/Ethnicities of Chairpersons, Vice Chairperson/Secretary/Treasurer in All Provinces**

Cat/Ethnicity Sex/Disability	Chairperson	Vice Chairperson	Secretary	Treasurer
Pahadi Brahmin	34.6	35.6	39.0	29.1
Pahadi Chhetri	21.3	17.6	15.1	17.5
Terai Brahmin, Chhetri	6.6	8.0	5.4	9.0
Other Terai	2.4	3.2	2.9	5.3
Pahadi Dalit	1.4	2.1	1.5	4.2
Terai Dalit	1.9	0.5	1.5	1.1
Newar	9.5	7.4	8.8	10.1
Pahadi Janajati	18.5	18.1	18.5	18.5
Terai Janajati	2.8	4.3	4.9	3.7
Muslim Chaurauta	0.0	0.5	0.5	1.1
Other	0.9	2.7	2.0	0.5
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	94.9	75.4	79.2	62.1
Female	5.1	24.6	20.8	37.9
<b>Disability</b>				
Yes	1.0	1.6	2.5	1.0
No	99.0	98.4	97.5	98.9
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>189</b>

Only 20 percent of the libraries have permanent staff. There was no single permanent staff in Karnali province. Similarly, 39 percent, 32 percent, and 42 percent of the libraries have temporary staff, service contract staff, and volunteer staff respectively. Bagmati province had more staff as compared to other provinces (Annex-1 Table 7).

### **Institution and Individuals Cooperating with the Library**

Nearly 60 percent of the total libraries reported that they received cooperation from the Nepal government including local government during establishment or for their operation. Its share was the highest in Madhesh province (75%) and the lowest in Bagmati province (53%). Similarly, 57 percent of the libraries were informed to be supported by communities. Gandaki province had the highest number of libraries (71%) getting support from the community followed by Madhesh province (67%). Different organizations such as READ Nepal, Work

Nepal, Siddhi Ganesh Savings and Credit Cooperative Societies (SACCOS), School, MoEST, and others were supporting about 43 percent of the libraries. Madhesh province had the highest number of libraries (58%) to get support from such organizations.

It appears from the qualitative data obtained that for the effective operation; the government can play a significant role in budget allocation specifically targeting libraries.

“There’s always an issue of budget. We have not been able to manage our libraries effectively due to the lack of funds. We earnestly request the government to provide us some funds.” KII with Librarian, Gyan Jyoti Learning Center, Surkhet district.

**Table 12: Institutions Cooperating Library to Establish and Run Libraries**

Institutions	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Organization	44.4	58.3	51.6	42.1	17.6	12.5	50.0	42.3
Nepal Government	60.0	75.0	51.6	55.3	67.6	62.5	65.4	59.5
Community	51.1	66.7	59.4	71.1	52.9	12.5	50.0	56.4
Individuals	35.6	58.3	45.3	55.3	32.4	12.5	7.7	38.3
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Respondents may have reported multiple responses, so the sum may exceed 100 percent

### **Books and Papers in the Libraries and Registration System and Information Communication System**

Table 13 shows the average number of books in the libraries. On average the libraries had 4,912 books in English and Nepali languages. The average number of Nepali books in all provinces was calculated as 3,627 and it was the highest in province Gandaki (5,839) and the lowest in Karnali (426). The average number of books in all provinces was calculated as 894 which were highest in Bagmati province (1,261) and the lowest in Karnali Province (90). Similarly, the average number of other language books was calculated as 571 and was highest in Gandaki Province (1,061) and lowest in Lumbini province (24). Other languages included were Sanskrit, Hindi, Newari, Tibetan, Maithili, etc.

**Table 13: Average Number of Books**

Books in the Libraries	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Average number of books in Nepali language	3,623	1,582	3,937	5,839	2,304	426	3,296	3,627
Average number of books in English language	1,104	873	1,261	939	383	90	485	894
Average number of books in other language	626	420	685	273	1,061	24	249	571
Aver number of books in both language	5201	2,839	5,702	6,970	3,281	525	3,897	4,912
Total number of books in all 227 libraries	234,063	34,072	364,937	264,865	111,539	4,199	101,321	1,114,996
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

The qualitative data also indicates that books are mostly in English and Nepali. The comment from a librarian:

“...We have 5,200 books of multiple disciplines example: religion, politics, history, culture, literature, poetry, etc. mostly in English and Nepali languages.” KII with a librarian, Ratnaman Tekbahadur Dibya Jyoti Community Library and Resource Centre, Khaireni Municipality, Chitwan district.

Although there are adequate books in the libraries considered for the study, there is always a desire for more. Additionally, one of the ways to increase the number of books as informed by the FGD participants was to request local writers to donate for free.

"Books are arranged properly but new books should be added. We ask local writers to give their books free of cost to the library e.g., Ghazals of Dhana Raj Giri, Novel of Suman Ghimire, Rhino preservation books of Kamal Jung Kuwar. Books are registered and organized.” FGD with beneficiaries, Ratna Nagar Municipality, Chitwan district.

### **Newspapers and E-books in Libraries**

Table 14 shows the information about newspapers and electronic books in the libraries. Of the total libraries, seventy-one percent had Nepali journals/periodicals/published papers and 35 percent had them in English. Similarly, 12 percent had electronic Nepali books and 10 percent had electronic books in English languages. Likewise, 11 percent had Audiobooks in the Nepali language and 10 percent had Audiobooks in the English language.

In the libraries that had newspapers, electronic books, and audiobooks, the average of Nepali journals/periodicals/published papers was 238 and was highest in Province-1 (442) and lowest in Madhesh Province (7). Similarly, concerning English publications, the average number was calculated at 96. Regarding electronic books, an average was calculated at 3340 in Nepali and 1685 in English books. Similarly, the average number of audiobooks in Nepali and English was calculated at 392 and 188 respectively.

**Table 14: Percentage of libraries having Papers, Electronic Books and their average**

Percentage of Libraries having papers	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Nepali papers	71.1	83.3	76.6	78.9	61.8	37.5	65.4	71.4
English papers	35.6	41.7	39.1	55.3	17.6	12.5	19.2	35.0
electronics books in Nepali	17.8	8.3	9.5	13.2	8.8	0.0	11.5	11.5
electronic books in English	15.6	8.3	7.9	13.2	5.9	0.0	7.7	9.7
Audio books in Nepali	8.9	8.3	12.7	15.8	5.9	0.0	11.5	10.6
Audio books in English	6.7	8.3	14.3	15.8	5.9	0.0	3.8	9.7
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Average Number of Papers, Books, Electronic Books in the Above-Mentioned Percentage of Libraries</b>								
Papers in Nepali language	442	7	36	461	297	684	26	238
Papers in English language	343	1	9	81	19	75	4	96
Electronic books in Nepali	4,844	6.0	4,220	2,109	39	0.0	4378	3340
Electronic books in English	3,221	5	913	1,228	307	0.0	1500	1685
Audio books in Nepali	385	2	891	69	5.0	0.0	105	392
Audio books in English	338	1	308	48	4	0	50	188

Note: One outlier value of Dadeldhura Sarbajanik Pustakalaya was removed (electronic books in English and Nepali =175,000)



## **Electronic News Papers**

About 12 percent of libraries had an electronic newspaper and were highest in Province 1 (16%) and Karnali province did not have any number of newspapers (Table 15).

**Table 15: Libraries Having Electronic Newspaper**

Electronic newspaper in the library	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	15.6	16.7	11.1	13.2	11.8	0.0	7.7	11.9
No	84.4	83.3	88.9	86.8	88.2	100.0	92.3	88.1
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>226</b>

Note: 1 missing case

## **Book Registration System**

When asked about the book registration system, four-fifth of the libraries reported that they manually filled up a register book. All libraries from Karnali province followed this system and were exclusively followed by 90 percent of libraries from Gandaki province. Only three percent of libraries had digitized the registration on computer. About 16 percent of libraries had both systems (Table 16).

**Table 16: Percentage of Libraries Having Book Registration System**

Registration system	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Register system	80.0	83.3	68.8	89.5	85.3	100.0	69.2	78.9
Computer system	2.2	0.0	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.7	2.6
Both system	13.3	8.3	23.4	10.5	11.8	0.0	23.1	15.9
Other specify	4.4	8.3	3.1	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	2.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

## **Classification of Reading Materials**

Sixty-eight percent of the libraries reported that they follow the classification of reading materials. When examined by province, Bagmati had the highest (67%) followed by province 1 (64%) in terms of following the classification system. The majority of libraries (75%) had a DDC classification system followed by nine percent of libraries having color code. Sudur Paschim province had the highest proportion of libraries having DDC and color code when compared to other provinces.

**Table 17: Percentage Distribution of Libraries Having Classification of Reading Materials and its Type**

Classification of reading materials of the library	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	64.4	50.0	67.2	73.7	55.9	50.0	96.2	67.8
No	35.6	50.0	32.8	26.3	44.1	50.0	3.8	32.2
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>The system followed for categorization</b>								
DDC	72.4	66.7	76.2	64.3	84.2	75.0	84.0	75.2

Colour Code	0.0	0.0	7.1	21.4	10.5	0.0	12.0	9.2
Other specify	13.8	0.0	4.8	0.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	4.6
Don't Know	13.8	33.3	11.9	14.3	0.0	25.0	4.0	11.1
<b>Number of Libraries with classification of reading materials</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>153</b>
Note: 1 missing case								

### **Cataloguing of Reading Materials**

Nearly three-quarters of libraries had the practice of cataloguing reading materials. Sudur Paschim had the highest proportion (92%) of the libraries having categorized reading materials. Seventy-eight percent of the libraries had Manual (AACR) listing, nine percent had computer systems and 12 percent had both systems. Bagmati province had the highest number (16%) of libraries using a computer system for cataloguing purposes whereas Madhesh province had the highest number (88%) of libraries adopting a manual system (Table 18).

**Table 18: Percentage Distribution of Libraries Cataloguing Reading Materials**

Reading materials listed	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	66.7	66.7	68.8	86.8	58.8	87.5	92.3	73.1
No	33.3	33.3	31.3	13.2	41.2	12.5	7.7	26.9
<b>Number of libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Method of listing</b>								
Manual (AACR)	73.3	87.5	74.4	84.8	80.0	85.7	75.0	78.2
Computer system	6.7	0.0	16.3	6.1	5.0	0.0	12.5	9.1
Both system	20.0	12.5	9.2	9.1	15.0	14.3	12.5	12.7
<b>Number of libraries cataloguing reading materials</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>165</b>
Note: 1 case missing								

### **Internet Facility in the Libraries**

More than half of the libraries had internet facilities. It was found to be highest in Madhesh province (83%) and lowest in Lumbini province (41%).

**Table 19: Internet Facility**

Internet Facility	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	48.9	83.3	48.4	68.4	41.2	62.5	57.7	54.2
No	51.1	16.7	51.6	31.6	58.8	37.5	42.3	45.8
<b>Number of libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

### **Information and Communication Technology (ICT)**

Almost one-third (31%) of libraries were found to be using ICT for different purposes. It was highest in Sudur Paschim libraries (50%) followed by Madhesh province libraries (42%). Automation system (bibliographic) was in place in more than half of the libraries. All libraries from Karnali province were using such a system.

ICT forms an integral part of all the aspects of a library. Effective use of ICT in the library results in better resource sharing and delivery of quality services to the users. The comment below from a key informant suggests an example of users benefiting from the use of ICT in libraries.

“Internet has become an important source of information. People come to the library to use the same (WiFi). We are now working on a plan to start an E-library so that more people will be benefited in the future.” KII with Librarian, Himali Community Library, Birendra Nagar Municipality 4, Surkhet district.

**Table 20: Percentage Distribution of Libraries**

Information communication technology followed	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	26.7	41.7	31.3	31.6	17.6	25.0	50.0	30.8
No	73.3	58.3	68.8	68.4	82.4	75.0	50.0	69.2
<b>Number of libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Type of technology followed</b>								
Automation system (bibliographic)	58.3	40.0	57.9	41.7	66.7	100.0	53.8	55.1
Electric system	16.7	0.0	5.3	25.0	16.7	0.0	30.8	15.9
Both	25.0	60.0	36.8	33.3	16.7	0.0	15.4	29.0
<b>Number of libraries that follows ICT</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>69*</b>

\*Note: 1 case missing

## **Library Members**

Of the total 227 Libraries, 75 percent had general members, 68 percent had life members, and more than 93 percent each had male and female reader members. Similarly, 52 percent of libraries had institution members and 23 percent had other members.

Among these libraries, the average number of general members was 253, life members were 144, and reader members were 32 for females and 25 for males. Similarly, the average institution member was 37 and other members were 35 (Table 21).

**Table 21: Percentage of Library having Different Types of Member and Readers with their Averages**

Percentage of Library having	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
General member	75.6	75.0	76.6	84.2	67.6	87.5	57.7	74.4
Life member	57.8	91.7	58.7	92.1	55.9	37.5	88.5	68.1
Institution's member	43.2	50.0	41.0	73.7	59.4	50.0	53.8	52.0
Other's member	24.4	8.3	22.2	26.3	23.5	25.0	23.1	23.0
Reader member	82.2	66.7	84.1	86.8	85.3	100.0	88.5	84.5
Daily female reader	91.1	91.7	93.7	94.7	91.2	100.0	100.0	93.8
Daily male reader	91.1	100.0	95.3	92.1	94.1	100.0	100.0	94.7
<b>Number of libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>The average number of Members in the above mention percentage of libraries.</b>								
General members	153	331	345	128	60	54	146	253
Life member	115	100	132	180	129	102	179	144
Institution member	30	10	47.0	70.0	15	9	9.4	37
Other members	42	5	36	64.9	15	20	11	35
Daily reader number –female	39	13	19	14	40	5	17	32
Daily reader number –male	39	21	23	19	27	9	23	25

If the libraries are operated in a well-managed manner, it has the potential to accommodate reader members not only of the same location (where the library is) but of other locations as well. The comment from a librarian during an interview:

“...Usually readers from wards 3, 4, 5 and 11 of Pokhara metropolitan come to this library for reading books.” KII with Librarian, Pokhara Community Library, Pokhara Metropolitan, Kaski district.

### **Income of Libraries**

Almost half (49%) of the total libraries (226) had an income from government grants and 48 percent of the libraries had an income from member fees and 31 percent had an income from Individual grants. Among these libraries, the average income from government sources was Rs. 507,830 and it was highest in Madhesh province (Rs. 1,400,000) and lowest in Karnali Province (Rs. 220,000). Similarly, the average income from member fees was Rs. 27,358 and from NGOs/Individuals was Rs. 357,896 in the fiscal year 2020/2021 ES.

In the case of all libraries (226), the average income from Government sources was Rs. 247,173 it was the highest in Bagmati province (Rs. 404,073) and lowest in Gandaki province (Rs. 92,399). Similarly, the average income from member fees was Rs. 13,195 and from NGO/ Individuals was Rs. 164,225 (Table 22). The table also shows the ranges of income from these sources. The income from Government sources varied from lowest Rs. 1,559 to highest Rs. 6,500,000. Similarly, income from member fees ranged from Rs. 72 to 630,000 and it was Rs. 103 to 12,700,000 from NGOs/Individuals

**Table 22: Percentage Distribution of Libraries Having Different types of Income Sources**

Types of Incomes of libraries	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Government Source (%)	51.1	16.7	44.4	44.7	55.9	75	57.7	48.7
Member fee (%)	51.1	25	42.9	63.2	50	37.5	46.2	48.2
NGO /Individuals (%)	26.7	16.7	34.9	42.1	32.4	0	23.1	30.5
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>226*</b>
<b>Average Income of those Libraries Having income from Various Sources</b>								
Government source	355,110	1400,000	909,165	206,541	453,121	220,000	422,576	507,830
Member fee	29,433	15,383	46,842	11,603	28,545	14,400	15,608	27,358
NGO/individuals	111,699	127,500	888,973	609,355	395,629	0.0	310,078	357,896
<b>Average Income of all Libraries</b>								
Government source	181,500	233,333	404,073	92,399	243,155	165,000	243,794	247,173
Member fee	15,043	3,845	20,075	7,328	14,272	5,400	7,204	13,195
NGO/Individuals	29,786	21,250	310,435	256,570	127,997	0.0	71,556	164,225
<b>Range of Income</b>								
Government source	Rs. 1,559 to Rs. 6500,000							
Member fee	Rs. 72 to Rs. 630,000							
NGO/Individuals	Rs. 103 to Rs. 12,700,000							

Excluded 1 missing case

Table 22.1 further illustrates the percent of the total income of Libraries from various sources. The income from the government sources was highest among all. The major source of income of all libraries was government sources (35%) followed by private sources (33%),

Individual/NGO grants (23%), and other sources (8%). Member fees had a very small contribution to the income of libraries (2%).

**Table 22.1: Percent of Income of Libraries from Various Sources**

Source of Income	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Government source	50.1	64.8	31.1	13.5	42.3	89.9	54.4	34.6
Member fee	4.2	1.1	1.5	1.1	2.5	2.9	1.6	1.8
Individuals/NGO grants	8.2	5.9	23.9	37.5	22.3	0.0	16.0	23.0
Private source	8.3	21.7	40.6	39.3	24.2	6.8	17.8	32.7
Others	29.2	6.5	3.0	8.6	8.7	0.4	10.3	7.8
<b>Total income of library (NPR)</b>	<b>10,562,831</b>	<b>1,811,251</b>	<b>21,644,320</b>	<b>18,104,759</b>	<b>19,661,725</b>	<b>875,341</b>	<b>18,742,472</b>	<b>91,402,699</b>

Note: 1 case missing

### **Sustainable Income Source**

Thirty-nine percent of the libraries had sustainable income sources. Half of the libraries from Madhesh province had sustainable income sources which were the highest among the provinces. None of the libraries from Karnali had sustainable income sources. Nearly 47 percent of the libraries had sustainable income source from member fees and 40 percent of libraries had an income from the government/local government sources and 37 percent of libraries had income from other sources. Gandaki province had the highest number of libraries having these income sources (Table 23).

**Table 23: Percentage of Sustainable Income Source of Libraries**

Sustainable income source	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	28.9	50.0	40.6	44.7	44.1	0.0	46.2	39.2
No	71.1	50.0	59.4	55.3	55.9	100.0	53.8	60.8
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Type of Income Source</b>								
Sustainable Program	38.5	16.7	23.1	41.2	0.0	0.0	16.7	23.3
Reserve Fund	15.4	0.0	23.1	52.9	20.0	0.0	25.0	25.8
Member fee	46.2	50.0	42.3	52.9	46.7	0.0	50.0	47.2
Govt/Local government	23.1	33.3	38.5	47.1	53.3	0.0	33.3	39.3
Other source	38.5	33.3	30.8	41.2	40.0	0.0	41.7	37.1
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>89</b>

### **Expenditure of Libraries**

Of the total 227 libraries, only 185 (81.5%) libraries reported their expenditure on one or other headings. The average expense of these libraries was Rs. 497,222 in the year 2020/2021. Libraries of Sudur Paschim had the highest expenses (Rs. 814,890) and that of Karnali province had the lowest average expenditure (Rs. 125,048). Among these 185 libraries, seven in ten libraries had spent on administrative operation and library staff (Table 24).

**Table 24: Percentage of Libraries Having Different Types of Expenditure**

Type of Expenditure of Libraries	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Staff expense	66.7	58.3	64.1	81.6	67.6	62.5	80.8	69.6
Administrative expense	75.6	75.0	64.1	78.9	79.4	87.5	80.8	74.0
Program expense	48.9	58.3	57.8	60.5	41.2	37.5	57.7	53.3
Other expenses	46.7	58.3	27.0	47.4	35.3	50.0	53.8	41.2
Average amounts of expenditure of libraries (NPR)	302,245	167,386	454,975	549,871	728,212	125,048	814,890	497,222
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>185</b>
Percentage of libraries having expenditure	80.0	91.7	75.0	86.8	79.4	87.5	88.5	81.5
<b>Number of total libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>
Note: Respondents may have reported multiple responses, so the sum may exceed 100 percent.								

One-third of total expenses of all libraries had on staff expenses, 22 percent of the expenses on administrative cost, and 25 percent was on program cost (Table 24.1).

**Table 24.1: Percent of Types of Expenditure of Libraries**

Types of Expenditure	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Staff expense	38.4	60.1	45.6	34.9	22.0	34.4	23.3	33.2
Administrative cost	17.1	12.3	15.8	12.7	47.0	21.2	14.3	21.7
Program cost	22.2	20.1	24.5	13.7	17.7	12.2	44.5	24.5
Other cost	22.3	7.5	14.1	38.7	13.3	32.2	17.9	20.6
<b>Total expenditure of libraries (NPR)</b>	<b>10,880,831</b>	<b>1,841,251</b>	<b>21,838,820</b>	<b>18,145,759</b>	<b>19,661,725</b>	<b>875,341</b>	<b>18,742,472</b>	<b>91,986,199</b>

### **Land and Building Ownership and Status of Library Building**

Nearly half (49%) of the libraries had occupied public land, one-third of the libraries had their own land and more than one-tenth of the libraries were paying rent for the land they were using (Table 25). Fifty-eight percent of the libraries from Madhesh Province had their own land and 55 percent of libraries from Gandaki province had used public land, 63 percent of libraries from Karnali province were operating in rented land which is the highest among all (Table 25).

**Table 25: Occupancy Status of Library Land**

Occupancy status	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Private	37.8	58.3	32.8	36.8	38.2	25.0	34.6	36.6
Rented	8.9	0.0	14.1	7.9	14.7	62.5	7.7	12.3
Public land	48.9	41.7	51.6	55.3	44.1	12.5	53.8	48.9
Others	4.4	0.0	1.6	0.0	2.9	0.0	3.8	2.2
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

### **Library Building Ownership**

Fifty-Eight percent of the libraries had their own building. The majority of the libraries (83%) of Madhesh province had their own building followed by Gandaki province (71%), province



(57%), and Sudur Paschim (62%). Libraries of Karnali Province had the lowest (25%) number of own buildings (Table 26).

**Table 26: Occupancy Status of Library Building**

Occupancy status	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Own building	55.6	83.3	53.1	71.1	50.0	25.0	61.5	57.7
Rented	20.0	0.0	15.6	10.5	17.6	50.0	15.4	16.3
Public	20.0	16.7	18.8	5.3	20.6	12.5	19.2	16.7
Others	4.4	0.0	7.8	7.9	11.8	0.0	3.8	6.6
Non mentioned	0.0	0.0	4.7	5.3	0.0	12.5	0.0	2.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Others include: the house is free of cost, community building, individual house, etc.

Seventeen percent of the library buildings were owned by the public building which is mainly schools and local government units and an almost similar proportion (16.3%) of the library buildings were rented. About seven percent of libraries were operating in the buildings owned by the others such as community, individual house, etc.

### **Roofs of Library Building**

One-third of the library building had a tin/galvanized Iron roof. Among the provinces, it was highest in Province-1 (60%) and lowest in Karnali province (13%). Similarly, almost 33 percent of the libraries had Brick Cement Concrete (BCC) roofs and one-fourth of libraries had Reinforced Cement Concrete roofs. Libraries from Bagmati province had the highest proportion of RCC cemented roof libraries. Quite a low proportion of the libraries had either Tile/Slate roof or UPVC/mud.

**Table 27: Roofs of Library Building**

Types of roofs of Library	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Tin/Galvanized Iron	60.0	25.0	20.3	31.6	32.4	12.5	30.8	33.0
BCC Cemented	20.0	25.0	40.6	23.7	32.4	75.0	38.5	32.6
RCC Cemented	20.0	50.0	29.7	28.9	23.5	0.0	23.1	26.0
Tile/Slate	0.0	0.0	4.7	7.9	2.9	12.5	7.7	4.4
Other	0.0	0.0	1.6	2.6	2.9	0.0	0.0	1.3
Not mentioned	0.0	0.0	3.1	5.3	5.9	0.0	0.0	2.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Others include UPVC, Mudd roof.

### **Library Building Wall**

The majority of the libraries (71%) were reported to have a permanent wall made of brick and cement. All libraries from Madhesh province and the majority of the libraries (83%) from Bagmati province had brick and cement walls in the building. Thirteen percent of the libraries had stone and mud walls and its proportion was highest in Karnali province (25%) and in Province-1 (22%). Eight percent of the libraries had stone/cement walls and a very low proportion had wood/plank/prefab walls in their building (Table 28).

**Table 28: Types of Walls in the Building**

Types of walls of the library	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Brick and cement	57.8	100.0	82.8	65.8	73.5	75.0	53.8	70.9
Brick and mud	4.4	0.0	4.7	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	2.6
Stone and mud	22.2	0.0	3.1	13.2	11.8	25.0	23.1	12.8
Prefab	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Wood/Planck	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
Stone cement	11.1	0.0	1.6	13.2	5.9	0.0	23.1	8.4
Others	0.0	0.0	3.1	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3
Not mentioned	0.0	0.0	3.1	5.3	5.9	0.0	0.0	2.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Others include Bamboo and Mud, Tin, Bagra (straw).

### **Library Rooms**

The average number of rooms in the libraries in all provinces was calculated as 4. Gandaki province and Madhesh province had the highest average (6) and Karnali province had the lowest (2) rooms.

**Table 29: Distribution of Number of Rooms and Percentage of Libraries Having Different Types of Rooms**

	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Average number of rooms in the library	3	6	4	6	4	2	5	4
Library room	95.6	100.0	98.4	100.0	100.0	87.5	100.0	98.2
IT room	28.9	41.7	39.1	57.9	29.4	12.5	50.0	39.2
Child room	31.1	58.3	29.7	60.5	20.6	0.0	38.5	35.2
Listening/Visual room	15.6	33.3	18.8	44.7	11.8	0.0	34.6	23.3
Youth room	8.9	41.7	12.5	26.3	8.8	0.0	26.9	16.3
Women room	8.9	33.3	17.2	39.5	14.7	12.5	30.8	21.1
Training/Seminar Hall	28.9	41.7	43.8	55.3	38.2	25.0	42.3	41.0
Others	2.2	0.0	9.4	5.3	11.8	12.5	3.8	6.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Others include a museum, administrative room, book issue room, meeting hall, shutter/shop room, breastfeeding room, disability room, library, etc.

Respondents may have reported multiple responses, so the sum may exceed 100 percent.

Nearly all (98%) libraries had library rooms, 39 percent had IT rooms, 35 percent had child rooms and 23 percent had visual rooms. Similarly, one-fifth of the libraries had women's rooms and 41 percent had training/seminar halls. The proportions of women's rooms and training/seminar halls were higher in Madhesh province and Sudur Paschim province.

### **Disabled Friendly Library Infrastructure**

One-fourth of the libraries had the disabled-friendly infrastructure and its proportion was highest in Madhesh province (42%) followed by province 1 (36%).

**Table 30: Percentage of Libraries having Disable Friendly Infrastructure**

Library infrastructure disables friendly	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	35.6	41.7	20.3	26.3	14.7	25.0	26.9	25.6
No	51.1	41.7	75.0	71.1	55.9	50.0	69.2	63.4
Partly	13.3	16.7	4.7	2.6	29.4	25.0	3.8	11.0
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

### **Toilet Facility in the Libraries**

Nearly half of the libraries had separate male and female toilets. With respect to the combined toilet, the proportion comprised almost 70 percent. Its share was highest in Madhesh province and lowest in Karnali. More than one-tenth of the libraries had disabled-friendly toilets and it is highest in province-1(16%) (Table 31).

**Table 31: Percentage of Libraries Having Toilet Facilities**

Percent of Toilets	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Male toilets	40.0	66.7	39.1	71.1	58.8	25.0	50.0	49.8
Female toilets	46.7	66.7	43.8	68.4	58.8	25.0	46.2	51.5
Male/Female toilets	64.4	83.3	73.4	68.4	61.8	75.0	69.2	69.2
Disable friendly toilet	15.6	8.3	9.4	7.9	8.8	12.5	11.5	10.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

The qualitative component assessed the condition of the toilets. Most of the libraries' toilets were in very poor shape or not adequate.

“...It has only one room, so it is difficult for readers to find a seat for reading and toilet here is also dirty.” FGD with beneficiaries, Ratna Nagar municipality, Chitwan district.

“...It has one toilet only, so need to add more.” FGD with beneficiaries, Butwal Municipality, Rupandehi district.

“...It has only one toilet but two separate toilets one for male and another for female are needed.” FGD with beneficiaries, Khairani Municipality, Chitwan district.

### **Equipment in the Libraries**

Almost 70 percent of libraries had a computer, 58 percent had printers, half of the libraries had photocopy machines, and one-third had scanners. Similarly, 17 percent of libraries had servers and one-fourth had cameras. Libraries from Sudur Paschim were the highest (85%) having computers and Photocopy machines (81%). The library from Karnali province did not have scanners, cameras, and servers (Table 32).

**Table 32: Percentage of Libraries Having Equipment**

Equipment	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Computer	71.1	66.7	68.3	78.9	52.9	62.5	84.6	69.9
Scanner	35.6	33.3	31.7	52.6	35.3	0.0	26.9	35.0
Camera	22.2	50.0	28.6	28.9	11.8	0.0	42.3	26.5
Printer	60.0	58.3	50.8	65.8	52.9	25.0	80.8	58.4
Server	15.6	25.0	23.8	15.8	8.8	0.0	15.4	16.8
Photocopy machine	40.0	58.3	39.7	68.4	32.4	37.5	80.8	49.1
Others	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	87.5	100.0	99.6
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>226</b>

Note: Respondents may have reported multiple responses, so the sum may exceed 100 percent.  
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### **Programs and Services from the Libraries**

When asked about the program in relation to the different developmental activities, seventy-three percent of libraries had education and reading habit development programs in place such as quiz contests, poetry, seminar creative program, spelling contest, etc. Madhesh province had the highest proportion (92%) of the libraries with the availability of these activities followed by libraries from Sudur Paschim province (85%). Similarly, more than three-fifths of libraries had conducted mass awareness and information access increment programs such as public awareness programs and seminars. Libraries from Madhesh province were highest among all to conduct these programs. Forty-seven percent of the libraries had Women and Youth Strengthening Program and 30 percent had income development and livelihood programs, half of the libraries had recreation programs, one-fourth of the libraries had inclusive disaster risks minimization program, 71 percent of the libraries had book exchange programs, half of the libraries had photocopy scanner services, 14 percent libraries had inter-library exchange services, 12 percent had online database services, nine percent had resource sharing, nine percent had mobile library services and 18 percent had E-library (Table 33).

**Table 33: Percentage of Libraries Having Programs and Services**

Program and Services	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Education and reading habit development programs (quiz contest, poetry seminar, creative program spelling contest, puzzle contest interaction program, live speaking program)	66.7	91.7	68.8	78.9	73.5	50.0	84.6	73.1
Conducted Mass awareness and information access increment program (Public awareness program, seminar)	55.6	83.3	60.9	71.1	47.1	37.5	80.8	62.1
Women and youth strengthening program	37.8	58.3	43.8	60.5	38.2	14.3	61.5	46.5
Income development and livelihood program (income generation program)	20.0	50.0	23.4	39.5	29.4	25.0	38.5	29.5
Inclusive disaster risks minimization program	17.8	41.7	25.0	36.8	17.6	0.0	23.1	24.2
Recreation program	44.4	66.7	54.7	65.8	26.5	12.5	50.0	48.9
Conducted others program	11.1	16.7	25.0	7.9	11.8	12.5	15.4	15.4
Book exchange (individual) services	68.9	66.7	65.6	84.2	73.5	50.0	73.1	70.9
Photocopy scanner service	42.2	50.0	45.3	57.9	38.2	25.0	73.1	48.5
Inter-library exchange (institution) services	8.9	8.3	17.2	23.7	8.8	0.0	11.5	13.7
Online data base services	8.9	25.0	14.3	18.4	5.9	0.0	7.7	11.9
Resource sharing services	6.7	8.3	7.9	15.8	5.9	12.5	11.5	9.3
Mobile library services	6.7	8.3	9.5	15.8	8.8	0.0	7.7	9.3
E-library services	20.0	16.7	17.5	21.1	11.8	0.0	23.1	17.7
Others (specify) services	-	-	3.2	10.5	5.9	0.0	7.7	4.4
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Respondents may have reported multiple responses, so the sum may exceed 100 percent.

## **Historical and Hand-written Materials**

About 19 percent of the libraries reported that they had historical and handwritten materials. Its proportion was highest in Lumbini province (27%) followed by Karnali province (25%).

**Table 34: Percentage of Libraries Having Historical and Hand-written Materials**

Historical and hand-written materials	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Yes	17.8	16.7	17.2	18.4	26.5	25.0	11.5	18.5
No	82.2	83.3	82.8	81.6	73.5	75.0	88.5	81.5
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Libraries had materials including research papers, religious books, cultural books, Sanskrit books, old collected materials, handwritten articles/manuscripts, etc.

## **Challenges of Libraries**

When challenges in running the libraries were explored, lack of funds was the most reported challenge. The proportion of libraries that reported a lack of funds as a challenge was highest in Karnali province (86%).

The information in relation to lack of funds as a challenge also emerged from the qualitative component of the survey.

“We have books of multiple disciplines but most of them are read by visitors. So, we need new books. But can't buy new due to scarcity of fund” FGD with Beneficiaries, Khaireni municipality, Chitwan district.

Three percent of the libraries reported no support from the government and four percent reported lack of awareness and readers and six percent reported lack of IT and computer and e-library. Three percent reported library management problems, two percent reported lack of enough staff, and the remaining 12 percent of libraries reported that they did not have any challenges (Table 35).

**Table 35: Percentage of the Libraries Reporting their Challenges**

Types of challenges	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
No support from government	4.4	0.0	4.7	2.6	2.9	0.0	0.0	3.1
Lack of fund	44.4	50.0	65.6	63.2	55.9	87.5	57.7	58.6
lack of own land/Building space	6.7	0.0	9.4	2.6	8.8	12.5	3.8	6.6
lack of awareness/Readers	8.9	16.7	1.6	2.6	0.0	0.0	7.7	4.4
lack of staff	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.9	0.0	3.8	2.2
lack of new books	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	5.9	0.0	0.0	2.2
Lack of IT/Computer/E-library	11.1	8.3	1.6	10.5	2.9	0.0	3.8	5.7
Political/Social influences	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	1.3
Management problem	2.2	0.0	0.0	7.9	2.9	0.0	3.8	2.6
Lack of sustainable program	0.0	0.0	1.6	5.3	0.0	0.0	3.8	1.8
No challenge	13.3	25.0	10.6	5.3	14.7	0.0	11.5	11.5
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Libraries may report more than one challenge.

## **Future Programs of Library**

These libraries were also asked about their future program towards library improvement. About one-fourth of the libraries reported that they will expand the libraries' activities, modernize and expand their services as well. Another one-fourth of libraries informed that they will install Information Technology and e-library. Eight percent of libraries said they will add more books and stationery. Seven percent of libraries reported that they will run public awareness and other social activities. In one percent of the libraries, the respondents informed that they will operate the libraries regularly. Less than one percent of the libraries reported that they will increase the library member and readers, search for sustainable funding, produce books/booklets, and preserve local culture. About two percent of libraries reported that they will run the libraries by coordinating with all stakeholders and local networks.

**Table 36: Percent of Libraries having Future Programs**

Types of programs	Province 1	Madhesh Province	Bagmati Province	Gandaki Province	Lumbini Province	Karnali Province	Sudur Paschim Province	Total
Regular conduction of library	0.0	0.0	1.6	2.6	0.0	0.0	3.8	1.3
To make building	22.2	8.3	12.5	7.9	17.6	25.0	23.1	15.9
Expansion/modernizing/ reserve fund/well managed	26.7	25.0	32.8	23.6	17.6	25.0	15.4	25.6
IT/E-library	17.8	41.7	25.0	23.7	17.6	12.5	30.8	23.4
Increasing member/ readers	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.9
Adding new books/ stationary	6.7	0.0	4.7	10.5	20.6	12.5	0.0	7.9
search sustainable funding	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.9
Produced books/booklets	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Public awareness/social activities	6.7	16.7	1.6	7.9	11.8	0.0	11.5	7.1
Making child club	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.5	0.0	0.4
Local culture preserve	2.2	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
Celebrate Diomond Jublee	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
coordinate with all local/networks	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	1.8
Make disable friendly	0.0	0.0	3.1	0.0	2.9	0.0	0.0	1.3
No programs/missing	15.6	8.3	10.9	15.8	8.8	12.5	7.7	11.9
<b>Number of Libraries</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>227</b>

Note: Libraries may report more than one program.

## **5.2 Impact of the Libraries**

Libraries are contended to play a crucial role in community development. The resources and services that the libraries offer to the users have considerable potential to create opportunities for learning, support literacy, and education, and consequently help shape new ideas and perspectives that are central to creating an innovative community. The qualitative component of the survey assessed some of the key impacts of having libraries in place in the community.

Some of the comments below from the interviews and discussions suggest to some extent how the educational and vocational training has impacted the lives of the community people.

“Learning is an endless process and a man is a curious animal. He/she always likes to learn about a new subject. I have heard that many youths took part in skill development trainings e.g., computer literacy training, tourist guide training; conducted by this library and now they have been earning money to sustain their livelihoods.” KII with Deputy Mayor, Dibya Jyoti Community Library, Khaireni Municipality, Chitwan district.

“A feed preparation training for farmers was organized by this library with the support of Practical Action 4 years ago. Likewise, it has also conducted different trainings e.g., slipper making training, mushroom farming training, computer literacy training. Now, trainees are earning money to sustain their livelihoods.” KII with Library Management Committee President, Dibya Jyoti Community Library, Khaireni Municipality, Chitwan district.

“This library organized 18 literacy classes. The trainees of this training learned to write their names. Later they were taught to operate and recharge mobile phones and to fill a bank voucher”. KII, Deurali Multipurpose Learning Center, Rupa Municipality, Kaski district.

The libraries are also important in forging social cohesion or in other words, bringing people from various social and economic backgrounds together. The comment below from one of the group discussions indicates the importance of libraries in promoting social unity. In addition, the informed parents appeared to be sending their children for their personality development.

“This library has been playing a role to bring people together and strengthen a social unity and also eradicated caste, religion, gender-based discriminations. Furthermore, parents have been sending their children to this library for reading, so it is playing an important role for personality development of children.” FGD with beneficiaries, Rupa Municipality 5, Kaski district.

Libraries are intended to offer resources mainly the reading materials such as books and newspapers which are particularly important for those who cannot afford to buy materials. Some locals who could not afford to buy reading materials in the survey locations were using the libraries.

“Poor people who can't buy books can read books here and they can read online books also by using internet facility. Some readers have passed the public service exam by reading books in this library.” FGD with beneficiaries, Butwal Municipality, Rupandehi district.

Further, libraries with effective initiatives can also promote women's empowerment. One of the libraries considered for the study collaborated with the Women Development Office conducted training on women empowerment. The comment below is from the ward Chairperson of the municipality where the library is located.

“The library organized programs for women in collaboration with Women Development Office. As a result, they got empowered. Now they can talk about their rights and resolve social disputes themselves”. KII with Ward President, Sauraha Community Library, Ratna Nagar Municipality Chitwan district.

### **5.3 Policy Plan of Libraries Development**

Several national plans have accommodated clauses concerning the establishment and smooth functioning of the public libraries such as the 15<sup>th</sup> plan, interim plan, and 8<sup>th</sup> five-year plan. For example, the 15<sup>th</sup> year plan has included the development of a public library system largely aimed at promoting the reading culture and lifelong education. Additionally, there are provisions intended to expand libraries’ basic facilities and electronic libraries at the local level. There exist several relevant Acts and regulations: i) The Education Act, 1972; ii) Education Regulation Act, 1972; and iii) Library Regulation, 1992 (had a separate chapter on the public library which later was removed in 5<sup>th</sup> amendment). Further, the Constitution of Nepal promulgated in 2015 accommodates the clause specifically about establishing and promoting information centers and libraries for the personality development of citizens (under the heading policies relating to the basic needs of the citizens).

Although above mentioned legislative instruments exist regarding the community library, it appears that there is an urgency of adding a few others such as the legal depository Act and community library Act. These Acts are crucial to set guidelines for registration of libraries, fund allocation, and setting standards. It is contended that the status and standard of libraries have not been maintained mainly due to the lack of relevant policies.

Most of the libraries are registered as NGOs and cooperatives mainly due to the lack of a community library Act. There are some positive effects of having libraries run by I/NGOs such as the transfer of knowledge and skills to the government as well. However, the state should take this as an opportunity to learn about good international practices in relation to the effective operation of public libraries. There are I/NGOs such as READ Nepal that have long been undertaking activities to promote P/CL libraries in Nepal.

Some of the key factors that have remained as challenges in effectively promoting P/CLs include i) poor harmonization between complementing policies; ii) the lack of depository and community library Acts; iii) unwise allocation of resources, and iv) design not to the required standard. Likewise, with respect to the P/CL sector, it appears that there is often a mismatch between the required and mobilized human resources.

The local government units following the shift to federalism have been receiving financial resources under four headings: i) equalization grant<sup>5</sup>; ii) conditional grant<sup>6</sup>; iii) matching

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<sup>5</sup> The equalization grant is intended to fill the gap between resource potential and needs of a local or a state government. The same grants to be transferred by a state government to a local government. The National Natural Resources and Fiscal Commission develops the formula and recommends to the government.

<sup>6</sup> The conditional grant is Earmarked for specific programs, projects or activities that used to be carried out by the federal government, which now would be carried out by the local or state governments as per the schedule 6 and 8 of the Constitution. The federal government transfers the program and resources to the lower tiers of the government under this grant.



grant<sup>7</sup>; and iv) special grant<sup>8</sup>. A large proportion of the budget is allocated to the physical infrastructure mainly including roads, buildings, and bridges. The sector such as the public library is often neglected. There is a visible policy gap concerning the modalities that local government units can adopt to ensure effective allocation of budget in the public library.

One key challenge in the implementation of P/CL-related policies is the lack of adequate knowledge and skills of the local government officials in delivering proper services to the people. With resources at hand, the decision-making power now rests with the local government. The resources before the change in structure used to be channeled through the district which was in the position to make decisions. One grave concern expressed mostly by key informants was the lack of capacity among officials at the local level to properly use resources allocated to them. Available studies also indicate inadequate numbers of civil servants, many of whom have the low technical skill, as one of the major constraints of change in structure (shift to federalism).<sup>9</sup> Although the capacity-building programs are included in the 15<sup>th</sup> plan under the heading ‘to enhance institutional capacity by clarifying sectoral roles of all three tiers of the government’, it is yet to produce any desired results. The plan clearly mentions that the programs will be implemented by formulating and amending necessary policies, acts, regulations, and working procedures to ensure good governance based on clarity about the roles of federal, provincial, and local levels.

One other challenge with respect to policy implementation is the dearth of studies and research undertaken in gaining an in-depth understanding of policies concerning the P/CLs in Nepal. The studies and research are particularly important to facilitate the implementation. Additionally, studies concerning the implementation of relevant policies in other parts of the world are virtually non-existent.

## **6.0 Conclusion and Recommendation for Library Development**

Some of the key findings are discussed below based on which recommendations are proposed.

- Of the total libraries considered for the survey, 84 percent were registered. They were found to be registered in several institutions including District Administration Office (DAO), local government units, and other institutions such as the Inland Revenue

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<sup>7</sup> The matching grant is transferred to the local or state government to match the resource gap for the projects they initiate. This is demand-based transfers and demand has to be put well ahead of the national budget preparation.

<sup>8</sup> This special grant is transferred for specific purpose for specific local or state government. This grant does not have a blanket approach.

<sup>9</sup> Bajracharya, P., & Grace, C. (2014). The Nepal Civil Service and Re-structuring of the State. Option Paper produced for the Project to Prepare the Public Administration for State Reforms (PREPARE) jointly conducted by the Government of Nepal Ministry of General Administration and the United Nations Development Program.

office, zonal office, etc. It thus appears that there is a lack of P/CL policy that clarifies one institution where the libraries should be registered.

- Lack of financial support was one of the responses received for not registering the libraries. It is thus recommended that to facilitate the registration process it is essential to have financial support either from the government or I/NGOs.
- One-third of the libraries had an affiliation with Social Welfare Council (SWC) and more than one-fifth of the libraries had with Nepal Community Library Association. About eight percent of the libraries had an association with other organizations mainly including district education office, local government, etc. To promote P/CL it is important for the libraries to be affiliated with associations that are often made up of people who share similar challenges and opportunities (based on the qualitative finding). The associations provide opportunities to meet and engage with peers and colleagues.
- Nearly one-third (30%) of these libraries were reported as public and 70 percent of libraries were reported as Community libraries. It appears from the findings that READ Nepal should continue their efforts to interact with the line government agency to have standard definitions with differences of both public and community libraries in place.
- It was quite encouraging to note that over 90 percent of the libraries considered for the survey were fully functioning and 95 percent had management committees. The management committees ensure that the activities are consistent with the vision, mission, and goal. Further, the committees are crucial in establishing fundamental values and strategic direction. It is hence recommended that READ Nepal continues with advocacy to have effective management committees in place in libraries.
- Only about 12 percent of the libraries had electronic newspapers. Electronic newspapers allow readers to interact with the paper itself. One of the benefits of having electronic newspapers in a library is that it allows readers to contribute to their own opinion. READ Nepal therefore to this end can advocate for having more such newspapers in libraries.
- It was quite encouraging to note that quite a reasonable proportion (68%) of the libraries follow cataloguing of reading materials. The cataloguing can help readers to locate the materials they need. It is recommended that cataloguing be practiced in a greater number of libraries.
- Little over half of the libraries had internet facilities. Internet is one of the effective and efficient mediums to communicate, the line government agency can install the internet for free in the libraries.
- About three-quarters of the libraries had an average of 253 general members. Similarly, more than two-thirds of the libraries had an average of 204 life members. It

is always important to increase the number of life members as they can enhance the ownership and support from the community on libraries. READ Nepal to this end can continue instilling awareness among the libraries to increase the number of life members.

- Only 35 percent of the total income of libraries was from the different level government. It is crucial particularly from the sustainability perspective that the government support be increased and READ Nepal can play an advocacy role in lobbying for the same and especially separate section at the provincial government.
- One-fourth of the libraries had disabled-friendly infrastructure. Nearly half of the libraries in each province had separate male and female toilets. From Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) perspective, it is critically important to have the above-mentioned facilities in libraries. The government can introduce policies that ensure the availability of such facilities in libraries.
- When asked about the program in relation to the different developmental activities, seventy-three percent of libraries had education and reading habit development programs in place such as quiz contests, Poetry, seminar, creative program, spelling contest, etc. Similarly, more than three-fifths of libraries had conducted mass awareness and information access increment programs such as public awareness programs.
- Others had Women and Youth Strengthening Program, income development and livelihood programs, inclusive disaster risks reduction, book borrow programs, etc., such activities have the potential to motivate the readers to use the libraries and to increase the number of users.
- About one-fifth of the libraries reported that they had historical and handwritten materials like Research papers, religious books, cultural books, Sanskrit books, old collected materials, hand-written articles/manuscripts, etc. Then, libraries with special acquisition are recommended to keep them appropriately.
- Lack of funds in running the libraries was the most reported challenge. The qualitative component further explored the role that local government units can play in promoting P/CL. One of the leading challenges as indicated by many key informants was the lack of funds in efficiently operating the libraries. The local government units can play a crucial role in providing necessary grants to the libraries. To this end, key informants suggested that this challenge can be readily tackled with effective coordination between the libraries and the local government officials. For effective coordination, it is critically important for the libraries to instill awareness among local government officials on the importance of having libraries in the locations.
- The libraries need to maintain a healthy relationship with the local government officials. There are libraries such as Bedkot Community Library in Bedkot Municipality, Kanchanpur that had received financial support from the local

government as a result of the healthy relationship between the two entities (libraries and local government). The municipality helped built a building and had received 3 lakhs to buy books and additional three lakhs for the furniture. Additionally, Mayor and Deputy Mayor often visit the library and provide suggestions. It is thus worthwhile to recommend instilling awareness among the local government officials on the importance of budget allocation specifically targeting P/CL.

- To create an enabling environment for promoting and improving P/CL, the MoEST is recommended to formulate a clear policy and strategy with a time-bound target on P/CL, e.g., all municipalities should have at least one library and local government should provide financial support to the registered libraries. Lastly, it is expected that the Act on P/CL will be formulated.

## References:

#### Annex 4: List of Libraries:

S.N.	Name of library	Province	District	Address	Contact name	Contact number	Email	Survey status
1	Chaurpati Samudaik Sikai Kendra	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Sudu				Surveyed
2	Moti Ram Community Library	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Mangalsen -14		984847665	bharatsodaribsl@gmail.com	
3	Swaraswati Child Library	Sudurpaschim	Achham					
4	Malika Samudaik Sikai Kendra	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Mangalsen -1				Surveyed
5	Thulasen samudayik Sikai Kendra	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Mangalesen				Surveyed
6	Jancehtana Samudayik Sikai Kendra	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Risiban				Surveyed
7	Khaptad Samudaik Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Khaptad				Surveyed
8	Baijanath Samudaik Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Achham	kalimati				Surveyed
9	Mangalsen Samudaik Sikai Kendra	Sudurpaschim	Achham	Mangalsen				Surveyed
10	Manakamana Community Library	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Maidan-5	Lekh bahadur tandon	9847167045		Surveyed
11	Moti Community Library	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Wangla -5	Kaman prasad Bhattarai		bhattaraimadam73@gmail.com	Surveyed
12	Kimdada Community Library	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Kimdada -5	Ishwori prasad bhusal	9857061014		
13	Community Library and Resource Center	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Arghakhanchi, pradini -7	Khagendra Neupane	9851198843	kneupane32@gmail.com	
14	Arghakhanchi Foundation	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Nuwakot Arghakhanchi	Buddhiraj gaire			Surveyed
15	Jana Sewa Library	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi	Phidim, sapaudi				
16	Ganga Library	Lumbini	Arghakhanchi					

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17	Pragati Library		Arghakhanchi	Malarani		9857061274	giripokhrel698@gmail.com	
18	Bidhya Mandir Library	Gandaki	Baglung	Baglung -4, bhupichowk	Susila Shrestha	,9847643812	bhidyamandirpustakalaya@gmail.com	Surveyed
19	Jana Sahitya Library	Gandaki	Baglung					
20	Ratna Shrestha Library	Gandaki	Baglung	Kalika -4				
21	Hangshabahini Library	Gandaki	Baglung					
22	Gyanodaya Bhagwati Library	Gandaki	Baglung	Baglung bazar	Saroj Chhatri	9864553714	gyanodayabhagawatilib@gmail.com	Surveyed
23	SA.SA Tulsi Library	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi					
24	Mahendra Library	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi					
25	Devaki Library	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi					
26	Janak Jana Sewa Library	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi					
27	Samudayik Jana Chetana Community Library and Resource Center	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi	Shreekot-6, Baitadi	Nar Bdr. Kuwar	9749501960		
28	Sahid Smriti Community Library	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi	Melauli	98614619888		jsnayak2036@gmail.com	Surveyed
29	Arjun Dev Smriti Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi	Shilanga				Surveyed
30	Siddhanta Bidyalaya Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi	Shilanga				Surveyed
31	Dashrat Chand Samudayik Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Baitadi	sundrakhali				Surveyed
32	Jana Bikash Library	Sudurpaschim	Bajhang	Chainpur				
33	Bajhang Library	Sudurpaschim	Bajhang	Tamakhani				
34	Surmadevi Library	Sudurpaschim	Bajhang	Jaya prithivinagar				

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35	Bhanu Library	Sudurpaschim	Bajhang	Chapparaj chautara				
36	Shree Aayas Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Bajhang					Surveyed
37	Kolti Community Library and Resource Center	Sudurpaschim	Bajura	Budhinanda Municipality ward - 2, Kolti	Bhim Bdr. Karki	9749008276;		Surveyed
38	Gyanodaya Community Library and Resource Center	Lumbini	Banke	Kohalpur -11, banke	Lil Bdr Rana	9848021974	rana.lila14@gmail.com gyanodayaclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
39	Mahendra Library	Lumbini	Banke	Nepalgunj metropolitan -8	Sanat Kumar Regmi	9851142276	regmisks@gmail.com	Surveyed
40	Jana Jagriti Library	Lumbini	Banke	Bageshowri -2				
41	Rara Library	Lumbini	Banke	Chisapani -2				
42	Jaya Dashrat Library	Lumbini	Banke	Karkadhu				
43	Shree Pashupati Library	Madhesh	Bara	Kalaiya -6				
44	Pashupati Library	Madhesh	Bara	Bara		9855025882	manakamanacollege91@gmail.com	Surveyed
45	Janata Chaso Library	Madhesh	Bara	kalaiya				
46	Ne Ra Nawa Yuwak Library	Madhesh	Bara	kalaiya				
47	Sahid Smarak Information Center	Madhesh	Bara	Dummarbana, bara				
48	Baal Kalyan Library	Madhesh	Bara	Haricha, bara				
49	Sarbajani Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Bara	Gitpur Nagarpalika	Munni Raut	9807298815		
50	Prabhat Community Library	Madhesh	Bara					
51	Shanti Sandesh Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Bara	Gadhimai		9855029496		
52	Shree Gaurisankar Pustakalay	Madhesh	Bara	Nijgadh		9811264289		
53	Tura Devi Kha Tharu Library	Madhesh	Bara	Bhodaha		9880479577		



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54	Dewan Sing Rai Samudaik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Bhojpur			9816389311	memosamu12@gmail.com	Surveyed
55	Pana Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Bara	Nijghad			bkrishna2054@gmail.com	
56	Tribhuwan Community Library & Resource Center	Lumbini	Bardiya	Bangsagadi -8, kakaura	Nabin Adhikari	9848191712	tribhuncrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
57	Basgadi Community Library & Resource Center	Lumbini	Bardiya	Basgadi Municipality-8	Ambika Chapagain	9868292700	ambikach38@gmail.com govinda9858030047@gmail.com	Surveyed
58	Kalika Community Library and Resource Center	Lumbini	Bardiya	Badaiyatal Rural Municipality ward 8	Sushil Chaudhary	9848081722	kalikaclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
59	Jyoti Library	Lumbini	Bardiya	Prithivinagar				
60	Shraddha Library	Lumbini	Bardiya	Mainapokhar				
61	Jana Sewa Library	Lumbini	Bardiya	Baidhawar				
62	Saraswati Library	Lumbini	Bardiya	Jamuni -3				
63	Ram Janaki Service Group and Library	Lumbini	Bardiya	Rajhapur bazar -1				
64	Didi Bahini Resource and Learning Center	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Sanga	Sunita karmacharya	9841009955		
65	Nawa Smaran Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Duwakot -2				
66	Women's Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur					
67	Ratna Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Deuja gau				
68	Siddhi Ganesh Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Bhaktapur -6				
69	Saubhagya Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Thimi	Ishwor Shrestha	9841462602		
70	Shree Krishna Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Baalkot -3				
71	Brihaspati Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Baalkot -2				
72	Baudhik Bikash Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Conchey		9841358173		
73	Garima Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Nagarkot -1				
74	Sathi Sailug Janahit Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Lokanthali				
75	Sahid Smarak Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Golmadhi				
76	Bidhyarthi Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Durbar chhetra				
77	Manandhar Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Tachpal -3				
78	Nyatapol Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Taumari-11				

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79	Star Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur					
80	Chandreshowr Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Chasukhell -8	Rajan Tuwanabasu (Tole ko key person)	9841849642		Surveyed
81	Pragati Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Taulachey		9841395027	kusi.rabindra@gmail.com	Surveyed
82	Nawachhatrodaya Library	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Thimi		01-6638860		
83	Janmabhumi Bode Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur	Bode		9860763974		Surveyed
84	Devitar Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur					Surveyed
85	Jhi Jhi Guthi	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9841040332		
86	Young Bijaya Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9888443035		
87	Star Wachanalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9849989664	shree.dhoju@gmail.com	
88	Sidhi Ganesh Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9849894459		Surveyed
89	Eakta Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9741007203		
90	Sahid Smriti Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9860017772		
91	Satsang Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9849666918		
92	Sahid Rajkumar Smriti Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9841637724	suwalkp14@gmail.com	Surveyed
93	Uthan Library Bachanalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9841393678		Surveyed
94	Lenin Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9860488164		
95	Mangle Che Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9841358339		
96	Jagaran Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			9849720509		
97	Janajoyti Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Bhaktapur			6617212	shreeraambkt@gmail.com	Surveyed
98	Sadananda Smriti Community Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Dingla Sadananda municipality	Gopal Timsina, Prakash Poudel (Narayan Poudel).	9762018858, 9841518412		Surveyed
99	Janahit Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Khusikhet, Bhojpur				
100	Nepal Bharati Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Bhulkebazar, Bhojpur				

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101	Shree Ram Amar Sahid Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Bhojpur Municipality Bhojpur Bazar	Binam Shrestha-Secretary	9842095877	bindibhp@gmail.com	Surveyed
102	Bidhyahari Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Takshar, Bhojpur	sanu kaji shakya	9842066156		
103	Saraswati Library	Province 1	Bhojpur					
104	Sadananda Samudayik Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Paiyapani	yog bahadur	9842140623	bahaduryog42@gmail.com	
105	Gramin Community Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Jhyau pokhari, sadanandha municipality phalikot	indira ghale	9842294136	ghaleindira271@gmail.com	
106	Diwan Singh Rai Smarak Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Laxmi rai		9861115685		
107	Gramin Community Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Dingla Sadananda municipality -7	Nagendra Basnet	9842145705		
108	Kalika Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Taksar, kotdada				
109	Shanti Library	Province 1	Bhojpur	Bhojpur -6, deurali	Ganesh Pradhan	9824290553		
110	Sarbanjan Adhar Bhut Pustakalaya		Bhojpur	pawadangma Rural Municipality	Dev Raj Rai	9807038901	raiparuhand505@gmail.com	Surveyed
111	Hatuwagadhi Sarbanjanik Pustakalaya Tatha Showman Rai Adyan Pratishthan	Province 1	Bhojpur	Hatuwagadhi Ghodetar Bhojpur	Indra Thapa	9852062148,		Surveyed
112	Chape Community Library		Bhojpur				raiparuhand5052@gmail.com	Surveyed
113	Sauraha Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Ratnanagar -7, sauraha	Sher Bdr. Pariyar	9851074484	bidarilaxmi@yahoo.com	Surveyed
114	Gardi Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Chitwan madi -1, baruwa	Bharat Prasad Timalsina	9855054246		Surveyed
115	Jhuwani Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Ratnanagar-5, jhuwani	Keshav raj aacharya	9855057075,	jhuwaniclr@gmail.com	Surveyed

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116	Shree Ratnaman Tekbahadur Deepjyoti Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Khairini -13, chitwan	Krishna prasad poudel	9845616401		Surveyed
117	Tarauli Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Ratnanagar -5	Sagar Mishra	9845085258		Surveyed
118	Rameshowr Community Library & Resource Center	Bagmati	Chitwan	Bhartpur Metro Municipality ward -2, Mitero Tole	Ganesh maya sahi	9845113221	rameshworilibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
119	Jyoti Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Nau range, Bharatpur -10	Shital panta	9841694951	kulmanipokharel@gmail.com	Surveyed
120	Narayani Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	chitwan				
121	Janakalyan Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Bhandara bazar				
122	Narayan Library	Bagmati	Chitwan					
123	Dharmik Library	Bagmati	Chitwan					
124	Narayani Friends Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Narayanghat				
125	Dobhan Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Bharatpur -10		9855057253	dhakalbinodkant@gmail.com	
126	Jyoti Youth Library	Bagmati	Chitwan			9855047801	bkhatiwada350@gmail.com	
127	Unique Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Ratna nagar -4				
128	Yuba Jagaran Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Chitwan	Khairani		9821803250		
129	Tharu Sansakirtik Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Chitwan			9855062484	birendra121@gmail.com	
130	Ratnanagar Rotari Library C	Bagmati	Chitwan		Sharmila shrestha	056-560448	ratnanagarcci@gmail.com	
131	Gyan Jyoti Community Library	Bagmati	Chitwan	Bharatpur -4		9855057675	ramjipoudel11@gmail.com	
132	Bagarkot Community Learning Center	Sudurpaschim	Dadeldhura	Bagarkot-8	Om Prakash sawad	9848765325		
133	Dadeldhura Community Library	Sudurpaschim	Dadeldhura	Amar gadhi -5	Gajendra bahadur shahi	9858751397, 9741100397,	dadeldhuracrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
134	Laxmi Library	Sudurpaschim	Dadeldhura					
135	Sahasralinga Library	Sudurpaschim	Dadeldhura					

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136	Sahid Smriti Community Library	Karnali	Dailekh	Dullu municipality -8	Prem bahadur karki	9848211582		
137	Kanti Rajya Laxmi Library	Karnali	Dailekh					
138	Bal Pustakalaya and Bachanalaya	Karnali	Dailekh	Dullu municipality -8				Surveyed
139	Deukhuri Community Library and Resource Center	Lumbini	Dang	Gadhawa Rural Municipality-6	Giriraj bhatta	9857840886	deukhuricrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
140	Sarwodaya Library Tatha Bachanalaya	Lumbini	Dang	Gorahi dang	Sushil gautam	9857830497	both are same	Surveyed
141	Mahendra Library	Lumbini	Dang	Deukhuri				
142	Tribhuwan Library	Lumbini	Dang	Bijauri				
143	BP Library	Lumbini	Dang	Rampur				
144	Netra Memorial Library	Lumbini	Dang	Gullaria				
145	Jesis Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Dang			9857830276		
146	Rastriya Community Library and Resource Center	Sudurpaschim	Darchula	Dattu -4	Daan Singh Nagari	093-690103		
147	Shree Malika Arjun Samudayik Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Darchula					Surveyed
148	Janata Library	Bagmati	Dhading	Nilkantha -3, Dhading	Devi prasad Adhikari	9851191561,		Surveyed
149	Aadarsha Library	Bagmati	Dhading					
150	Jana Jagriti Library	Bagmati	Dhading	Medhi				
151	Gyanjyoti Library	Bagmati	Dhading					
152	Gyanodaya Library	Bagmati	Dhading	Phulkharkha				
153	Jyoti Public Library	Bagmati	Dhading	Khari	Bikash Pokhrel	9813731370		
154	Mahakali Library	Bagmati	Dhading	Kumpur		9841390909		
155	Chatredeurali Samudayik Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Dhading	Dhunibesi NP-01		9843806831	thesapanapaudel11@gmail.com	
156	Jalpa Devi Library	Province 1	Dhankuta	Pakhribas Municipality- 4	Gopal Bhattarai	9852050364,	jalpadevi@gmail.com reach2gopalbhattarai@gmail.com	Surveyed
157	Gargacharya Public Memorial Library	Province 1	Dhankuta	Dhankuta, tallokpche				Surveyed

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158	Pakhribas Public Library	Province 1	Dhankuta	Pakhribas Municipality				
159	Srihud Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur Dham	Toya raj Ghimire	9844097096		
160	Arya Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur				
161	Janak Jivan Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Devghiya		9841283551	Rakeshjha556@gmail.com	
162	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Chawali				
163	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Thila bahila				
164	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Nagarain				
165	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Hadhwaj				
166	Dependra Aadarsh Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Cresia				
167	Nebhpar Gadhyas Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur Dham				
168	Nepali Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Dhanusa				
169	Path Pustak Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur Dham				
170	Birendra Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur Dham				
171	Yuwak Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Mangalpur				
172	Lahuvaila Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Beljabdhi				
173	Saraswati Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Beljabdhi				
174	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur				
175	Suhrd Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Bramhapuri				
176	Tribhuwan Aadarsha Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur				
177	Shree Chandrodaya Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Befi				
178	Jagarnath Public Interest Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur				
179	Santa Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Nawu				
180	Aadarsha Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Deuri				
181	New Bhairab Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakpur				
182	Amarjyoti Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Mahi				
183	Nawa Prativa Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Dhalkeshwr				
184	Nawa Jagriti Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Mahendranagar				
185	Divya Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Laxmipur				
186	Sankhar Aadarsha Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Banina				

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187	Madan Asrita Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Befi				
188	Ratujan Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Tulasi				
189	Jana Chetana Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Dhauli				
190	Divyashowr Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Bareshowr				
191	Deep Jyoti Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Bareshowr				
192	Ramanand Prabhuda Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Bramhapuri				
193	Janata Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Manglagawa				
194	Ramdevi Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Sarlahi				
195	Saranath Library	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Bhaktipur -2				
196	Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakapur Sub-metropolitan-2	Bipati Mandal	9817832100		Surveyed
197	Radhakrishna Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Dhanusa	Janakapur Sub-metropolitan-14	Bidhyakar Prasad Sah, Ramukesh Sah	9854020251, 9844051895	vprasadsah@gmail.com	Surveyed
198	Jamka Bhet Community Library	Bagmati	Dhanusa			9554021748	thapajiban1979@gmail.com	
199	Shree Gaurisankhar Community Library & Resorce Center	Bagmati	Dolakha	Charikot municipality-1	Krishna Bdr Basnet	049-421300,	navarajneupane@gmail.com	Surveyed
200	Bhim Library	Bagmati	Dolakha					
201	Laligurans Library	Bagmati	Dolakha	Virkot				
202	Sayapatri Library	Bagmati	Dolakha	Kavre				
203	Mahakali Bhagwati Library	Bagmati	Dolakha	Charikot matti				
204	Madan Asrita Library	Bagmati	Dolakha	Charikot				
205	Mahakali Janahit Library	Bagmati	Dolakha	Bhimeshowr -1				
206	Api Community Library	Bagmati	Doti			9841649039	pdpsd65@gmail.com	
207	Chhatra Ram Ashram and Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Jijod mandu, dangkot				
208	Jana Jagriti Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Jainauli				
209	Binayak Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Kalikasthan Mouwa				
210	Mahendra Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Sealgadhi				
211	Saileshowri Community Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Seelgadhi-1	Abhi Raj Shrestha	094-420096 / 9848418741		Surveyed
212	Gita Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Sealgadhi				

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213	Srijana Library	Sudurpaschim	Doti	Durga mandu				
214	Dadeldhura Public Library	Sudurpaschim	Dadeldhura			096 420353		
215	Jana Chetana Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Chopark -8	Narayan Pokharel	9808441827		
216	Koshis Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Siranchowk -4	Ramesh prasad Regmi	9851175694		
217	Takukot Community Library and Resource Center	Gandaki	Gorkha	Barpak Sulikot Rural Municipality ward	Ma prasad paneru	9846254819	takukot.clrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
218	Himal Public Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Manakamana				
219	Tribhuwan Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Pokhari thok	Raju Babu Shrestha	9851072677	rajubabu25@gmail.com	
220	Jana Bikash Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Aap peepal				
221	Jayanti Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Liglig				
222	World Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Aarukhat				
223	Sahid Smriti Community Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Barpak Sulikot Rural Municipality ward-5	Bishnu Bhatta/Mina Pathak	9856040873	bpbhatta33@gmail.com bhattanandalal75@gmail.com	Surveyed
224	Sewa Library	Gandaki	Gorkha					
225	Barpark Community Library	Gandaki	Gorkha	Barpak Sulikot Rural Municipality ward-1	Tej Bahadur Gurung	9851081362	nnamaste90@gmail.com	
226	Kiran Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Tamghas, Gulmi	Narprasad shrestha	079-520287	shashipanthi9@gmail.com	Surveyed
227	Udaya Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Chandrakot santinagar				
228	Rishi Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Digam Riga -1				
229	Bale Takshar Community Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Ruru Vdc				Surveyed
230	Jana Jagriti Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Chunga				
231	Prem Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Ghattuchadi				
232	Saraswati Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Putrighat				



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233	Rabin Aryan Library	Lumbini	Gulmi					
234	Rishi Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Shringha				
235	Marga Darshan Library	Lumbini	Gulmi	Aarawaley Gulmi				
236	Jay Nepal Library	Lumbini	Gulmi					
237	Jana Bikash Library	Lumbini	Gulmi					
238	Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Gulmi		Ruru			Surveyed
239	Chudan Samudaik Sikai Kendra	Lumbini	Gulmi					Surveyed
240	Ridab Samudaik Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Gulmi					Surveyed
241	Shree Jana Kalyan Community Library and Resource Center	Province 1	Ilam	Ilam municipality ward no 8 barbot	Satendra jabegu	9852680220	jabegusk@gmail.com	Surveyed
242	Shree Sahid Smriti Community Library	Province 1	Ilam	Ilam municipality ward no 6	Jiwan sharma	9852680261		Surveyed
243	Jyoti Library	Province 1	Ilam					
244	Pabitrarnai Gharelu Library	Province 1	Ilam	Ilam municipality ward no 7				
245	Supermechi Library	Province 1	Ilam	Ilam municipality ward no 2				
246	Sri Amar Kalyan Ma. Bi Library	Madhesh	Ilam			27411004		Surveyed
247	American Corner	Province 1	Ilam	Ilam		027-520037	Number changed	
248	Janak Library	Karnali	Jajarkot					
249	Prakash Library	Karnali	Jajarkot			9868053974	Prakashchand881@gmail.com	
250	Narayan Community Library	Karnali	Jajarkot	Khalanga -2				
251	Gauradaha Community Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Gauradaha camp road -2	Lawahari dahal	9852683301	crazy.roveen@gmial.com	Received after deadline

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252	Lekhnath Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Bhadrapur chandragiri Jhapa	Nawaraj Ghimire	984942414		
253	Aadarsha Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Ghailaduwa, Jhapa				
254	Aadarsha Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Sanishcharya, Jhapa				
255	Gaurigunj Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Gaurigunj, Jhapa				
256	Janata Library	Province 1	Jhapa	khudunawari				
257	Trifala National Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Mechinagar dhaulagiri Jhapa		023-560307		Surveyed
258	Ghailaduwa Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Ghailaduwa, Jhapa				
259	Bhadrapur Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Bhadrapur				
260	Budhabare Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Budhabare				
261	Bhanu Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Bahundangi Jhapa				
262	Patahari Sanischare Library	Madhesh	Jhapa	Pathari Sanischare-4		9842077810	nabinkhula10@gmail.com	
263	Santinagar Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Shantinagar				
264	Hamro Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Damak-4		9816395707	foundationhamro@gmail.com	
265	Tribhuwan Aadarsha Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Mahendranagar, Gaurigunj				
266	Nawajyoti Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Khajurgachi, Jhapa				
267	Bhanu Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Shivagunj				
268	Sahid Dashrat Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Duwagadhi				
269	Arniko Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Maheshpur				
270	Khemachiwa pralobhan library	Province 1	Jhapa	Dharampur				
271	Sahakari library	Province 1	Jhapa	Kakadvitta				

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272	Parijat library	Province 1	Jhapa	Kakadvitta				
273	Jhapa smriti library	Province 1	Jhapa	Tagandubba				
274	Bhanu smriti library	Province 1	Jhapa	Anarmani				
275	Singhadevi library	Province 1	Jhapa	Prithivinagar				
276	Gyankunja public library	Province 1	Jhapa	Garamuni sainikbajar				
277	Bishnumaya library	Province 1	Jhapa	Panitanki				
278	Damak Public Library	Province 1	Jhapa	Damak		9801443513		Surveyed
279	Our Public library	Province 1	Jhapa	Damak		9801442167		Surveyed
280	Saino Nepal Pustakalaya	Province 1	Jhapa	Shivasatakshi Municipality		023-470624		
281	Birtamod Pustakalaya	Province 1	Jhapa	Birtamod		9862302902	sanjay@fourgradient.com	
282	Moti yuba samudayik library	Province 1	Jhapa			9841815168		Surveyed
283	Hamro library	Province 1	Jhapa	damak-3		9815358761	dhakaldadhi@gmail.com	
284	Paribartan Samudayik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Jhapa	damak-2		9842651901	apibinod@gmail.com	
285	Kadam Theater	Province 1	Jhapa	damak		9814052555	kadamtheater@gmial.com	
286	Belbari sahitya pustakalaya	Madhesh	Jhapa	Belbari NP1		9842078974	tilaelali@gmail.com	
287	Rastrya pustakalaya	Bagmati	Jhapa	Kerabari gp10		9852055369	simataluite18787@gmail.com	
288	Karnali library and resource center	Karnali	Jumla		Ratan Nath Yogi	087-520237,	kllibrary2062@gmail.com santoshbudthaoa8@gmail.com	Surveyed
289	Aapadh raj prithivi malla library	Karnali	Jumla					
290	Mahendra jyoti library	Karnali	Jumla					
291	Gyaneshowr library	Karnali	Jumla					
292	Shree kailali public library	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Dhangadhi	Umakanta joshi	9848486825	kailali_janapustakalaya@gmail.com	Surveyed
293	Shree prativa community library	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Godawari municipality-1, attaria	Puspa raj joshi	091-551311	pratibha.pustkalaya@gmail.com	Surveyed
294	Janata community library and resource center	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Bhajani, kailali	Nawaraj Mishra	9848697955	janataclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed

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295	Bhanu community library and resource center	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Tikapur Municipality - 7	Kuma Tiwari-Librarian	9865692932	bhanukailalclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
296	Bhajani library	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Bhajani				
297	Jaya Dashrat library	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Dhangadhi				
298	Jana Chetana library	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Godawari Mun-8 Shreepur	Dharma Kanta Panta, Bina-Librarian	091-621260,	janachetanaclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
299	Tikapur community library & resource center	Sudurpaschim	Kailali	Tikapur-9	Lok Bahadur Khadka	091-561174,	tikapurclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
300	Kailali jan pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Kailali					
301	Shree Pahalman Pustakalaya	Sudurpaschim	Kailali					Surveyed
302	Jaleshowr library	Karnali	Kalikot					
303	Sujit smriti library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Mahendranagar kanchanpur -4				
304	Suklaphat community library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Vashi	Rishi raj lamsal	9858750275	sinharjun491@gmail.com sitikalinewsh@gmail.com	
305	Mahendra raj library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Mahendranagar				
306	Sujit Smriti library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Shreepur belauri				
307	Sahid dashrat library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Tribhuwan basti -1		9865376680	romsinghbist37@gmail.com	
308	Jyoti library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur					
309	Baal library	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Bhimnagarpalika -4				
310	Chudamani Shastri Pustakalay	Sudurpaschim	Kanchanpur	Bhimdatta				
311	Badganga community library	Lumbini	kapilvastu	Badganga -1, jitpur	Dilip karki	9857050477		Surveyed
312	Pashupati pratap library	Lumbini	kapilvastu	kapilvastu -1, taulihawa	Rajesh kumar pandey	9847040882	rkpabdey@gmail.com	Surveyed
313	Badganga community library	Lumbini	kapilvastu	Kapilvastu -1, taulihawa	Rishi Keshav Bhardwaj	9857051733	comlibrary@gmail.com	

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314	Kapilvastu library	Lumbini	kapilvastu					
315	Kapil Pragya library	Lumbini	kapilvastu	Kapil Dham	Indra bahadur Koirala	9841292252		Surveyed
316	Shrestha library	Lumbini	kapilvastu	Taulihawa				
317	Rastrya madarsa pustakalaya	Lumbini	kapilvastu					Surveyed
318	Sagarmatha Samudayik Sikai Kendra	Lumbini	kapilvastu					Surveyed
319	Milijuli samudayik Sikai Kendra	Lumbini	kapilvastu					Surveyed
320	High on hope community library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara Lekhnath - 33	Keshav raj lamsal	9856044005	kesavlamsal567@gmail.com	Surveyed
321	Shree aranya jyoti library	Gandaki	Kaski	Kundahar, Lekhnath	Rajendra Bhandari	9846044424 9846044249	ptpipokhara@yahoo.com	
322	Himalaya library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara -16, batulechower, Maidan	Mohan bahadur thapa	9846051992	bhimalayakrishi2072@gmail.com	Surveyed
323	Amar deep community library and development center	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara -16	Suraj shah thakuri	9816163633	surajshah3633@gmial.com	
324	Pokhara public library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara -9, mahendra pool	Bishow shrestha	9846037186 9866007616	pokharapubliclibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
325	Deepsikha community library	Gandaki	Kaski	Bhandardhik, Pokhara Metropolitan-29	Krishna Hari Bhandari	9856024639	deepshikhacrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
326	Pokhara Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara		9856025931	keshavlamsal567@gmail.com	
327	Pokhara public library	Gandaki	Kaski	Siddhartha				
328	BP Smriti library	Gandaki	Kaski	Rattachowk				
329	Samajik sewa library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara-7				
330	Bishow shanti library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara				
331	Rupa library	Gandaki	Kaski	Pokhara				
332	Hamro library	Gandaki	Kaski	Mahari toll				
333	Shahid Smriti library	Gandaki	Kaski	Malepatan -5	Krishna Parshad Baral	9846047979 / 9867741515	baralkrishna101@gmail.com	Surveyed

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334	Pragatishil library	Gandaki	Kaski	Hanghsapur				
335	Gyanjyoti Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Kaski	Rambazer- 15 Pokhara	Madhab Prasad Baral	9856026602	madhavbaral15776@gmail.com	
336	Pokhara public library	Gandaki	Kaski	Mahendrapool	Amar Kuwar	9866007616	pokharaamericancorner@gmail.com	
337	Buddha Bal Ghumti Pustakaalaya	Gandaki	Kaski	Nadhipur	Tej Kumar Gurung	9856020984	bcmobilelibrary@gmail.com	
338	Tribeni community library and resource center	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Nagarjun Municipality ward no 8	Rameshowr Pokharel	01-4037587		Surveyed
339	Shravya library and resource center Nepal	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kritipur-10, tangyla	Rameshowr babu Tiwari	9860469863	alrcbepal75@gmail.com	Surveyed
340	Gyan kunja public library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kathmandu municipality -3	Madhur Basnet	9851003012	madhurbasnet31@gmail.com	Surveyed
341	Nepal national disable human right conservation firm	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Bhrikutimandap, Kathmandu	Babu Krishna Maharjan	9863352366	nhpFddnnepal115@gmail.com	Surveyed
342	Bishalnagar library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Bishalnagar	Sunil karmacharya	9841013777; 9841658086		Surveyed
343	Sitaram public library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Taudaha, kritipur	Madhan prasad Nepali			Surveyed
344	Shree ratna library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Baneshowr mahadevsthan	Sashi Bikram rana	9851112423		Surveyed
345	Chapali Community library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Budanilkantha -2	Gokul kharel			Surveyed
346	Gyan jyoti library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Budanilkantha -2, bandheli	Ramkrishna Bhandari			Surveyed
347	Hatemalo community library	Bagmati	Kavre	Bethanchowk VDC - 2, sabik durkharkha	Binod timalsina	9851129376	gunaraj.moktan@gmail.com	Surveyed
348	Library development firm	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kuleshowr, Kathmandu	Ramesh kumar bhusal	9851114753	librarysrm@gmail.com	
349	Nepal social development library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	ka ma pa -14	Sandeep Sapkota	9808729488		
350	Bishal Milan community library and resource center	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ka ma pa chandol -4	Hari Adhikari	9851060151	nutundhungana@yahoo.com	Surveyed

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351	Congress library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Dhumbarahi	Rabindra upreti	9868820078		
352	Nepal language library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kamaladi				
353	Nepal maitri study group	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Taheti				
354	Nepal education council library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ranipokhari				
355	Naikap rural library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Naikap				
356	Pashupati library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Devpatan				
357	Pancha library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ramshahpath				
358	Pragati library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Netapacho				
359	Pragati library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Jorpati				
360	Pradeep library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ason				
361	Bajra library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Makhan				
362	Baghbhairab library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kritipur				
363	Baal library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Balaju				
364	Balaju library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Balaju				
365	Biplavi library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Nhaikantala	Amit Joshi	9841206491; 9851054531		Surveyed
366	Bishnudevi library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Dhapasi				
367	Birendra library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Chabahil	Rupesh KC	9841264402	rupesh.paradigm@gmail.com	
368	Buddha library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Boudha				
369	Mangal library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Sinamangal				
370	Mitra library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kathmandu metropolitan -7				
371	Youth study hall and library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	kalimati				
372	Chakladabu library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Chhetrapati				
373	Yuwak library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Paknajol				
374	Lu nibha library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Jyatha -30				
375	Sandhya library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Devpatan -8				Surveyed
376	Saraswati library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Koteshowr				
377	Samajh sewa library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Koteshowr				
378	Siddheshowr library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Baneshowr				
379	Sewa library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Tangal				

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380	Surya jyoti library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Paga				
381	Himachal library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Battu toll				
382	Gyan Prabhat library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Boudha				
383	Keshar library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kesharmall	Dashrat Mishra	01-4411318		
384	Tankeshowr Safu Dhuku library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Tankeshowr				
385	Dhakre library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Battisputali				
386	Jana Netra library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Pharping -3	Sailesh Manandhar	9841347499		Surveyed
387	Nawa Tara library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Indrayani -1				
388	Sarvodaya library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Gagalphedi -2				
389	Parbat library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Gagalphedi -7				
390	Kageshowr library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Alapot phuyal gau	Basudev Phuyal	9841812858		
391	Islam language library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ghantaghar				
392	International library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Swoyambhu chaitya				
393	Dilliraman Kalyan regmi library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	lazimpat	Bhola Shrestha	01-4410022,	bholashresthame@gmail.com	Surveyed
394	Mitra library and social service Nepal	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Shantinagar				
395	Ugra library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Sankhu				
396	Chhatra pustak Niketan	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Ranipokhari				
397	Janata library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Nayabazar				
398	Jana Pragati library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Dhungeadda, tinthan				
399	Janata library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	lainchowr -29				
400	Jagrit library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Pharping				
401	Deepak library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	chovar				
402	Nawa jiwan library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Shefal				
403	Kritipur public library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kritipur				



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404	Satidevi social library center	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Sati devi bhanjyang saukhel				
405	Rishidutt library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Jorpati	Shree Yogi	9851064966		
406	Central law library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Jamal		01-4251351	info@ccl.gov.np	
407	Sagarmatha public library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kuleshowr, Kathmandu	Ramesh Kumar Bhusal	9851114753		Surveyed
408	Bhanu smriti library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Dakshinkali				
409	Janahit library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kirtipur Mun.9 Nagau	Salik Ram Dangol	9851043724	salic194@gmail.com	Surveyed
410	Panga Community Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Kirtipur Dhokashi Panga		9869237557		Surveyed
411	Shree Jana Chetana Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Tokha Mun. 2	Dipendra Dangol	9851058241		Surveyed
412	AWON Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Thapathali		01-4100540		
413	Kathmandu Valley Public Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Bhrikutimandap, Kathmandu	Gobindaraj Dahal	01-4229756,	kvpl@live.com.np	Surveyed
414	Nepal Bharat Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Nepal Airlines Corporation		01-4243497	liv.kathmandu@...	
415	BhimArjun Ghale Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Anamnagar		01-4234373		
416	Madan Memorial Community Library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Tinkune Ktm	Harka Bhattarai	9851061340, 9849092502	hhbhattarai@gmial.com	
417	Bal Bikas Community	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Sanepa, Lalitpur	Indira dali	9841437814	indirad2005@gmial.com	
418	Shree Bhairab Smriti Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Jorpati	Jagadish Chandra aryal			Surveyed
419	Aasa sphu kuthi	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Raktkali				Surveyed
420	High on hope community library	Bagmati	Kathmandu	Tokha				Surveyed
421	Shree balkumari mai library	Bagmati	Kavre	Banepa -1	Juna Bista	9849292740		Surveyed
422	Jana Chetana library	Bagmati	Kavre	Khopasi				
423	Jagriti library	Bagmati	Kavre	Dhulikhel				

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424	Gram Bikas library	Bagmati	Kavre	chautara	Krishna Rai	9849470440		Surveyed
425	Prakash library	Bagmati	Kavre	Shree khandapur	Ashok shrestha	9841692901	shreshtha.ashok@yahoo.com	Surveyed
426	Pragati library	Bagmati	Kavre	Jorpati				
427	Bhanu library	Bagmati	Kavre	Bihabar		9851166727		
428	Mahendra library	Bagmati	Kavre	Falautey				
429	Yuwa maitri library	Bagmati	Kavre	Dhulikhel		9841103551	ramyogal@gmail.com	
430	Samudayik Sikai Kendra	Bagmati	Kavre	Banepa		9851012153	aswinchaulagain@yahoo.com	
431	Gyan Bikash library	Bagmati	Kavre	Panauti Municipality-7 Panauti	Om Karmacharya	9851209466	gyanbikasclrc@gmail.com	
432	Purna Jagaran library	Bagmati	Kavre	Panauti				
433	Mahasidhi Community Library	Bagmati	Kavre	Mahabharat RM-4	Nawaraj Lama	9851070397		Surveyed
434	Shikarpur Community Library	Bagmati	Kavre	Roshi RM-11	Gunaraj Moktan	9851123708	gunaraj.moktan@gmail.com	
435	Sambridhi library	Province 1	Khotang	Rajapani -4, Khotang	Chain kumar rai	9841236624		
436	Saujanya library	Province 1	Khotang	Diktel, Khotang	Utsab sainju	9842877440/ 9862851542	utsavsainju@gmail.com	
437	Deepjyoti library	Province 1	Khotang	Halesi tuwachung -11	Mahesh regmi	9825791587		
438	learning library	Province 1	Khotang	Shree ma bi bashbote Khotang	Gyanendra Kumar regmi	9741117732		
439	Tarun library	Province 1	Khotang	Kharpa, Khotang				
440	Saujanya library	Province 1	Khotang	Diktel, Khotang				
441	Janasewa community library and resource center	Province 1	Khotang	DiktelRupakot Majhuwa Gadhi MC., 12 Jalpa	Tanka rai	9851000553		Surveyed

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442	Janasewa public library	Province 1	Khotang	Jalpa -3, Khotang	Arjun rai	9849097055		
443	United women learning center	Province 1	Khotang		Durga Jayanti rai	9851285152		
444	Janauthan library	Madhesh	Khotang			9862851542		
445	Godawari community library and resource center	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Godawari municipality -4, badikhel	Basistha Kr. Adhikari (Chairperson)	9851215898	ba.godawari1975@gmail.com	Surveyed
446	Samudaik Baal Bikash community library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Sanepa, Lalitpur	Indira dali	9841437814	indirad2005@gmial.com	Surveyed
447	Development resource and learning center	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Lubhu, Lalitpur	Devi shrestha	9841769710	didibahini01@gmail.com	
448	Amrit library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Bukumbahal				
449	Farmer's library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Guiitoll				
450	Farmer's library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Ghupath -7				
451	Janamaitri library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Vinchey bbahal -6	Surendra Bajracharya	9841556418	gurjasurendra@gmail.com	
452	Dipendra Bikash library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Godamchour				
453	Nepal library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Immid toll				
454	Prabhat library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Sundhara				
455	Bajrabarahi Library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Chapagaun				
456	Madan puraskar Library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Patan durbar	Kanak Mani Dishkit	15553767		
457	Maha Boudha library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Okumbahal				
458	Mitra library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Qwallkhu				
459	Janata library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Mallochey toll				
460	Samudayik library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Lalitpur -1				
461	Heradaya library	Bagmati	Lalitpur					
462	Nepal national library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Harihara Bhawan				
463	Shramik Milan library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Philachey toll				
464	Batawaran library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Jwalakhel				

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465	Depawali library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Saat dobato				
466	Saibu community library and information center	Bagmati	Lalitpur					
467	Soul library	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Budghamati				
468	Kirat Rai Samudaik Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Lalitpur					Surveyed
469	Krisak Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Lalitpur	Dupat toll				Surveyed
470	Annapurna library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Sami bhanjyang				
471	Janakalyan library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Tharu ghat				
472	Laxmi Narayan library and resource center	Gandaki	Lamjung	Besishshar-9	Narayan Bdr. Suyal	066-520011,	laxminaryanclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
473	Jana Chetana library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Madiya Nepal Municipality - 4, Dhuipiple-	Raj Krishna Shrestha	9846030633		Surveyed
474	Siddhi janak library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Koirala path				
475	Sakar library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Sundar bazar				
476	Yesobhramma Library	Gandaki	Lamjung	Besisahar Mun. 3	Bishwonath Ghimire	9856045461	rcbcprgrame@fmail.com	Surveyed
477	Votiodar Public Library	Gandaki	Lamjung		Basanta Raj Khanal	9846123647	basantarajk@gmail.com	
478	Jay govinda shah study center	Madhesh	Mahottari	Gauri bass -1	Bindeshowr mahato			
479	Gramin community development service and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Jaleshowr	Kameshowr thakur	9844031392		
480	Ayodhya library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Jaleshowr				
481	Koirala Kishor library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Matteehaanee				
482	Kushal Kishor library	Madhesh	Mahottari					
483	Jana Adarsha library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Manara -1				
484	Janapreeya library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Banuta -2				
485	Nawa Janata library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Pegauna				
486	Janata library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Kamalpatti				
487	Janata library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Brahamapur -5				

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488	Janata library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Badhnath				
489	Gyankumar library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Balwa bazar -3				
490	Bidhapati Janhit library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Dakshin bari toll -4				
491	The rising club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Parikauli				
492	Nawa Jagaran youth club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Brahmahapur -5				
493	Nawa yuvak library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Parsa raghunathpur				
494	<b>Bardibas Community Library</b>	Madhesh	<b>Mahottari</b>	<b>Bardibas Municipality 1, Bardibas</b>	<b>Shambhu Prasad Bhattarai- Chairperson, Madhav Poudel</b>	<b>9854020054, 9803002899</b>	<b>madhavsami2071@gmail.com</b>	<b>Received after deadline</b>
495	Narsingha youth club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari					
496	Nawa Jagaran youth club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Gonarpura -4				
497	Mahendra library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Kamaladi				
498	Mahottari club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Jaleshowr -2				
499	Rajeshowri club and library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Jaleshowr				
500	Saraswati youth library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Brahmasthan -5				
501	Saryuga rajmandir library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Jaleshowr				
502	Yuwak library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Gonpura -6				
503	Sankhar Adarsha library	Madhesh	Mahottari	Mattechaanee				
504	Information and Record center	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetauda				
505	Pushpa lal smriti library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetauda	D.B. Bartaula	9845290079	bartaulahan@gmail.com	
506	Nawa jiwan jyoti library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetauda -6				
507	Roshni library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetauda -4	Sangeet Shrestha	9855069218	sangeetshrestha1984@gmail.com	Surveyed
508	Bhim library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Bhimphedi				
509	Nepal Journey Public library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetuda		057-520796	bkbijaya108@gmail.com	

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510	Nau Pashupati Samudayik Library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetuada-16		9845071404	bishnupd.timalsina2gmail.com	Surveyed
511	Dovan chaur Community library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Hetauda-18		98505238	narayantimalisana2016401@gmailcom	Surveyed
512	Naulo community library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Thaha NP-1		9.86E+11	gopalirup@gmail.com	
513	Jyoti Library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	bhimphedi GP-5	Surendra Bajracharya	9845438238	jyotielibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
514	Manahari community Library	Bagmati	Makwanpur	manahari GP-7		984550451	syangtanindra7@gmailcom	Surveyed
515	Hattisaran Samudaik pustakalaya	Bagmati	Makwanpur	Ghaman toll				Surveyed
516	Shree Bishnumaya library	Province 1	Morang	Pokharia, Biratnagar -1	Damodar prasad Ghimire	9842555212	Bishnumaya pustakalaya@gmail.com	Surveyed
517	Amar jyoti library	Province 1	Morang	Indrapur, Morang				
518	Aadarsha library	Province 1	Morang	Sijuwabazar, Morang		021-525985		
519	Atreli library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
520	Guras library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnager-NP-4		9852024917	Deepakchapagain@hotmail.com	
521	Devkota library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang		9842027528	subodhniraula35@gmail.com	
522	Shree Sarada community library	Province 1	Morang	Sorhabhag, Morang	Shree Sarada shah	9842042738		Surveyed
523	Shree national library	Province 1	Morang	Kerabari, Morang	Mahaprasad luitel	985255369		Surveyed
524	Punyasmriti library	Province 1	Morang	Belbari, Morang				
525	Bandhu library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
526	Rangeli library	Province 1	Morang	Rangeli, Morang				
527	Trifala national library	Province 1	Morang	Morang Sakha				

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528	Hamro pustak ghar	Province 1	Morang	Rangeli, Morang				
529	TribeniVachanalaya	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang		9842026835		
530	Lekhnath library	Province 1	Morang	Miklajung Rural Municipality ward 7	Gobinda Basnet	021-400069,	lekhnathclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
531	Munal entertainment and Gopinath library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
532	Danfe entertainment and library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
533	Madhumara children library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
534	Nawajivan library	Province 1	Morang	Kadamdaha, Morang				
535	Bhanu public library	Province 1	Morang	Sundarpur, Morang				
536	Shree Ganesh library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
537	Aadarsha library	Province 1	Morang	Pathari, Morang				
538	Chetana club and library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
539	Sahid ram thapa library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
540	Janakalyan library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
541	Shree kali Janajoyti library	Province 1	Morang	Tankhua, Morang				
542	Yug library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
543	Sajha library	Province 1	Morang	Aapgachi, Biratnagar, Morang				

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544	Birat religious museum and library	Province 1	Morang					
545	Jatuwa club and library	Province 1	Morang					
546	Sagarmatha library	Province 1	Morang					
547	Shiromani library	Province 1	Morang					
548	B.P smriti library	Province 1	Morang	Shizuwa, Morang				
549	Baal library	Province 1	Morang	Harichowk. Madhumara				
550	Birat Rajbanshi Sanskritik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar		9815318694		Surveyed
551	Bhanu Sajha library	Province 1	Morang	Sunder Haricha	Bishal guragain	9842059018	bhanusajhapustakalaya@gmail.com	
552	Nepal national news room	Province 1	Morang					
553	Kohabhar youth awakening library and entertainment hall	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
554	Moti library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar, Morang				
555	Mills library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar-19, Morang				
556	Janajyoti library	Province 1	Morang	Tankesinubari, Morang				
557	Urlabari Public Library	Province 1	Morang	Urlabari, Morang		9811324126		
558	Adarsha Library	Province 1	Morang	Pandit Meghnath Marga Biratnagar		021-525985		
559	Gurash E-Library	Province 1	Morang	Chandani Marga Biratnagar		<a href="tel:9842086571">9842086571</a>		Surveyed
560	Islamic library	Province 1	Morang	Tenjing Marga Biratnagar		021-521871		
561	Food Library	Province 1	Morang	Biratnagar		9810525305		
562	Letang Library	Province 1	Morang	Letang Bhogteni		9849152444	sudeshw21@gmail.com	
563	women Bachanalaya	Madhesh	Morang	BiratnagerNP-7		9852024596	ujjwal2034@gmail.com	



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564	Gopinath Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Morang	Biratnagar NP-2	sabita Adhikari	9842367338	hneupane2024@gmail.com	
565	Janahit Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Dharpenang -4, jomsom		9841110238		
566	Marpha community Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Dharpajhong VDC -2	Amar	9857650270; 9846683985		
567	Lomanthang community Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Lomanthang VDC -5	Indra dhara Bista	9856027226		Surveyed
568	Dhup sugandhi Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Raguv				
569	Janabadh Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Marpha				
570	Janahit Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Thimi				
571	Janahit Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Jomsom				
572	Thak Community Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Thasang Rural Municipality ward 1, Tukuche	Bishnu Thakali - (Chairperson), Shristi Thakali	9847666996, 9843376129, 9847711622,	thakclrc@gmail.com thanalibishnua23@gmail.com	Surveyed
573	Jana Mukti Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Thimi				
574	Marpha community Library	Gandaki	Mustang	Marpha		9857650270		
575	Phuthang community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Mustang	Gharapjhong Rural Municipality ward- 3, Jomsom	Sunita Senchuri	9867744622		Surveyed
576	<b>Bhupi smriti Library</b>	Gandaki	<b>Mustang</b>	<b>Thasang Rural Municipality, Kovang</b>	<b>Basanta Sherchan</b>	<b>9841190238</b>	sherchanbasant@gmail.com	Received after deadline
577	Lomanthang community Library and information center	Gandaki	Mustang	Lomanthang Rural Municipality 1	Dev Bahadur Gurung	9841892092	devlhoba@gmail.com	Surveyed
578	Annapurna Library	Gandaki	Myagdi	Takam				
579	kalilo Library	Gandaki	Myagdi					
580	Myagdi community Library	Gandaki	Myagdi	Beni Municipality-7, Beni	Santosh Rawal	9857640060	myagdylibrary1@gmail.com librarymyagdi@gmail.com santosh67@gmail.com	Surveyed

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581	Nangi community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Myagdi	Annapurna Rural Municipality, ward 8	Tilmaya Garbuja - Librarian	9847738226	chinmayagarbujapun@gmail.com	Surveyed
582	Jahada community Library and resource center	Lumbini	Nawalparasi	Bardhaghat -12, bhataulaya	Suraj kc	9847081110	jahadaclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
583	Parashi Library	Lumbini	Nawalparasi					
584	Pahali Library	Lumbini	Nawalparasi	Parashi				
585	Jana Chetana Library	Lumbini	Nawalparasi					
586	Jana sewa Library	Lumbini	Nawalparasi	Muktichhetra Pragati Nagar				
587	Shahid Smriti Library	Lumbini	Nawalparasi	Sunaull				
588	Shivashakti Nawa Durga community Library & resource center	Gandaki	Nawalpur	Kawasoti Municipality -17	Gun Bahadur Thanet ©	9847073347	shivashakticlr@gmail.com	Surveyed
589	Pragatinagar community Library & resource center	Gandaki	Nawalpur	Devchuli Municipality-11 Dharapani chowk	Khimananda Bhusal	9847073266	pragatinagarc@gmail.com	Surveyed
590	Agyouli community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Nawalpur	Kawaswoti sahidnagar -16, Danda	Surya prasad pandey	078-418041	agyoliclr@gmail.com	Surveyed
591	Fulbari community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Nawalpur	Madhyabindu Municipality ward 3	Jugat Ram Thanet	9847089693	fulwari.clrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
592	Deurali community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Nawalpur	Hupsekot RM-1, beluwa toll	Chok bahadur paija	9857040173	deuraliclr5@gmail.com	Surveyed
593	Jana Jagaran community Library and resource center	Bagmati	Nuwakot	Belkotgadhi RM-2, Kumari	Ramchandra timilsina	9802054001; 9851054002	janajagaranclrc@gmail.com jclrcumari@gmail.com	Surveyed
594	New Nepal Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot	Trishuli bazar				
595	Sugadh Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot	Trishuli				
596	Shuvadra Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot	kholey gaun				
597	Chhetrapal Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot	kakani				
598	Titey pani Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot	kakani				
599	Sachetana Library	Bagmati	Nuwakot					
600	Rumjatar public Library	Province 1	Okhaldhunga	Rumjatar				

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601	Himalayan Library	Province 1	Okhaldhunga	Rawadolu, Okhaldhunga				
602	Sagarmatha Library	Province 1	Okhaldhunga					
603	Ganeshnidhi samudayik skkai Kendra	Province 1	Okhaldhunga	Lepi		9851206041		Surveyed
604	ujyalo samudayik adyahn Kendra	Province 1	Okhaldhunga			9843936350		Surveyed
605	Charkerabari samudayik Sikai Kendra	Province 1	Okhaldhunga			9864026005		Surveyed
606	Kadelo Khaniya Kharka Community Library	Madhesh	Okhaldhunga				akatwalbir55@gmail.com	
607	Himal Samudayik pustakalaya	Bagmati	Okhaldhunga	champadevi rural municipality-8	Ramji dahal	9851155042	himalayadkd2012@gmail.com	
608	Okhaldhunga Samudayik Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Okhaldhunga					Surveyed
609	Shree dhawal Library	Lumbini	Palpa	Tansen, Palpa	Yuvraj poudel	9847029051	yubrajpandya1076@gmail.com ramjidahal55@gmail.com	
610	Mahendra Library	Lumbini	Palpa					
611	Lalit Jana Chetana Library	Lumbini	Palpa	Aargali				Surveyed
612	Madan ashrit Library	Lumbini	Palpa	Khaseuli -3, harthok				
613	Ramba Library	Lumbini	Palpa	Tanahu, Palpa				
614	Youth information center	Lumbini	Palpa	Kaseni -7				
615	Dovan Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa		Surya paudel	9847372002	suryapaudel@984@gmail.com	
616	Khani dada Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa		Rudra G.C.	9864453463	khumansinghgc@gmail.com	
617	Bhumisshala Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	wada no 5	Jog Bahadur Aale	9861643519	aleparwati@gmail.com	
618	Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	wada no 6		9847029610	masyamhss29@gmail.com	
619	Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Mathagadhi G.P. -3	Rekha kafle	9847102351	rekhakaphle123@gmail.com	
620	Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Mathaghadi G.P. 7	Krishna Aale	9867035043	krishnaale573@gmail.com	
621	Bhimsen Tole Bikas Sanstha Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Tanesn 6	Prakash	9847029691	gonga1prakashnath@gmail.com	

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622	Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Rampur N.P. 1		9857060596	tanknathp@gmail.com	
623	Bidhya mandir Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Rampur N.P. 5	Nil khantha Bhandari	9857060596	kfnepal2075@gmail.com	
624	Janachatana Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Rampur 12		9851090647	cyber.palpa03@gmail.com	
625	Madan Asrit smriti pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa		Ubaraj	9847067562	Yuvaraj.Paudel2002@gmail.com	Surveyed
626	Prithivi pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	Tinau -4 satyaati				Surveyed
627	Masyam Mab Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Palpa	tinau				Surveyed
628	Kirat Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Thangnam				
629	Jana Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Phidim				
630	Namuna cooperative Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Phidim				
631	Jana priye Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Ekasi				
632	Jana priye Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Prangbung				
633	Phidim Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Phidim				
634	Birendra Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Siddhanagar				
635	Panchthar community Library and resource center	Province 1	Panchthar	Phidim MC-1, Panchthar	Narendra Kerung, Mangal Bhega	9742602719, 9862772744	panchtharclrc@gmail.com mglangjan@gmail.com	Surveyed
636	Saraswati Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Ravi				
637	Saatgau Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Singhadada				
638	Tribhuwan memorial Library	Province 1	Panchthar	Mahilawot				
639	Birendra Library	Province 1	Panchthar					
640	Moti community Library and research center	Gandaki	Parbat	Phalebas -8, khanigau parbat	Sonam Lama (Manager)	9841538635	motipustakalaya@gmail.com	Surveyed
641	Gupteshowr multi-purpose Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Shiwalaya -6		9857630198	shanti43655@gmail.com	
642	Mallaz Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Majhphat		9857630258	bhaddaripaudel030@gmail.com	Surveyed
643	Gram Prakash Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Lakhpat		9857630258		
644	Janata Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Kushma				
645	Deysodhya Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Limithuloswor				
646	Birendra Library	Gandaki	Parbat					
647	Saraswati Library	Gandaki	Parbat					

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648	Sudhasartha Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Lushu				
649	Surya Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Hattaranga				
650	Himalaya Library	Gandaki	Parbat	Aaru chaur				
651	Bhanu community Library and resource center	Madhesh	Parsa	Dhobini RM 4	Suresh Pd. Kurmi	9855077705		Surveyed
652	Pokhariya community Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Pokhariya Municipality- 2, Pokhariya bazar	Bharat giri	9818879193	girib9417@gmail.com	Surveyed
653	Alakh pustak bhanjyang	Madhesh	Parsa	Parsa				
654	Arunodaya community Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Madhuwan, parsa				
655	Aadarsha community Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Bageshowri, parsa				
656	Gurans Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Reshamkothi, parsa				
657	Jana jyoti community Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Madhuwan, parsa				
658	Juneli Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Parsa				
659	Darsan Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Reshamkothi, parsa				
660	Devkota study hall	Madhesh	Parsa	Shreepur, parsa				
661	Nepal Library	Madhesh	Parsa	Gahawatoll, parsa				
662	Aadarsha Library	Madhesh	Parsa	parsa				
663	Bhanu Library	Lumbini	Pyuthan	Bijayanagar -3				
664	Luplung Community Library	Lumbini	Pyuthan	Naubahaini RM	LB Bhandari	9841032170	lb@readnepal.org	Surveyed
665	Mahendra Library	Lumbini	Pyuthan	Khalanga				
666	Samudaik Sikai Kendra	Lumbini	Pyuthan					Surveyed
667	Sarshwati samudayik Ekai Kendra	Lumbini	Pyuthan					Surveyed
668	Janjagaran samudayik Sikai Kendra	Lumbini	Pyuthan					Surveyed

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669	Bhimeshowr community learning and information center	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Chisapani -5	Madan prasad Ghimire	9844112879, 9844214695	sclci2064@gmail.com	Surveyed
670	Janata Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap					
671	Birendra Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Tulasipahijbadhi				
672	Laxmi Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Thosebazar				
673	Sarada Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Thosebazar				
674	Himganga Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Sadhutar				
675	Gyan jyoti Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Ramechaap -1				
676	Madan Asrit Smarak Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Manthali -3				
677	Tama koshi Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Manthali Municipality-1	Gunja Bdr. Shrestha	9741047672	himal_dhungel@yahoo.com	Surveyed
678	Janajagriti Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	khimtibesi				
679	Community information center	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Chisapani				
680	Gramin community Library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Duragae -8				
681	Jana jyoti community library	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Thosey -5				
682	Pragatishil samudayik adhhyan Kendra	Bagmati	Ramechhap	Manthali				Surveyed
683	Shree Stanapati samudayik adhhyan Kendra	Bagmati	Ramechhap					Surveyed
684	Mahesh Sanskrit Gurukul	Bagmati	Ramechhap		Phanindra Paudel	985050964		
685	Parmananda Sanskrit Gurukulam	Bagmati	Ramechhap		Dr. Balaram Kandel	9862783189	psgurululam@gmail.com	
686	Bed bedanga Sanskrit Gurukulam	Bagmati	Ramechap		Krishna Hari Ghimire	9845199221	vedvedangabidyalaya2023@gmail.com.n p	
687	sunimdhou pustakalaya	Bagmati	Ramechap	manthali2	Damodar Subedi	9844044502	bidamodarsubedi@gmail.com	
688	Nil khandeshwor Pustak	Bagmati	Ramechap	Manthali 3		9844052267	bimalashrestha728@gmail.com	
689	Ramechap Godpani Chandeshwori Pustakalaya	Bagmati	Ramechap			9849157523	chandeshworigothpani@gmail.com;	
690	Gayana bhandar Sarbajanik pustakalaya	Bagmati	Ramechap	Umakunda -2 bamti bhandar				Surveyed

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691	Gosaikunda Library	Bagmati	Rasuwa	Dhunchey				
692	Rasuwa Community Library	Bagmati	Rasuwa		Satya Bhawana Devkota	9808864321	rasuwacommunitylibrary@gmail.com	
693	Samudayik Library	Madhesh	Rautahat	Gadimai, samanpur	Nabindra Raya Yadav	9845572024		
694	Jana Gagruti Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Rautahat	Chapur -4	Suman Ghimire	9851185632	keshav.su99@gmail.com	Surveyed
695	Nijananda Samudaik Pustakalaya	Madhesh	Rautahat	Chapur -4	Niranajan	9865079395	srijanbhai2048@gmail.com	Surveyed
696	Samudayik wada Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Rolpa				wardnosevenruntigadhi@gmail.com	Surveyed
697	Jaljala public Library	Lumbini	Rolpa		Om kc	9847864203	omkc584@gmail.com	Surveyed
698	Milan Library	Lumbini	Rolpa	Lewang -6				
699	Grahmin women's Library	Lumbini	Rolpa	Lewang -6				
700	Baal Library	Lumbini	Rolpa	Lewang -6				
701	Shree Jaljala samudayik Pustakalaya	Lumbini	Rolpa	Thawang				Surveyed
702	Sungava community learning center	Lumbini	Rukum		Hom lal sharma	9868945698		
703	Rukmadi Library	Lumbini	Rukum		Toop bahadur oli	9841296625; 9851159632		
704	Rukmadi community Library	Lumbini	Rukum Purba	Sisne -6 chipridaha		9851159632	radiorukumini@gmail.com	Surveyed
705	Janata Library	Lumbini	Rukum	Musikot Rukum purwa				
706	Jana Bikash Library	Lumbini	Rukum Paschim	Musikot Rukum purwa				Surveyed
707	Janata Library	Karnali	Rukum	Rukum Paschim				
708	Sahid smriti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Siddhinagar	Banmali Nirakar	9847039867		Surveyed

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709	Nawajagrit Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Butwal	Dr.Pr. Hridayalal gyawali	9867335850		Surveyed
710	Bashu smriti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Banbatika	Parsu ram aryal	9867196740		
711	Siddhartha Gyan mandir Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Siddhartha Municipality	Ramlal bhusal	9847020394		
712	Ganeshman Singh memorial Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Saina maina -4				
713	Gyanjyoti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Butwal -8, sukkhanagar				
714	Janata Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi					
715	Nawa jagriti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Khasaule, Butwal		9867335850	nawojagirtlibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
716	Baal Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Siddharthanagar				
717	Mahabir Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Butwal -2				
718	Gyan jyoti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Butwal -10				
719	Nandan Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Butwal -10				
720	Siddhartha Gyan mandir Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Bhairahawa				
721	Community relation center	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Bhairahawa				
722	Sahid smriti Library	Lumbini	Rupandehi					
723	Lumbini tinau community Library and research center	Lumbini	Rupandehi	Sainamaina Municipality -10, Basgadi	Yuva Raj Kafle	071-440389,	ltclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
724	Janakalyan Library	Karnali	Salyan					
725	Samudayik Sikai Kendra	Karnali	Salyan	Kalimati				
726	Shree janjoti samudayik Sikai schikcha Kendra	Karnali	Salyan	Tribeni				Surveyed
727	Jana Chetana community learning center	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha		Dambaru Niraula			
728	Yafu community Library and resource center	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Yafu, Sankhuwasabha	Baghbir rai			Surveyed



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729	Janakalyan community Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Khadbari, Sankhuwasabha	Tarabahadur buddhathoki			
730	Aadarsha Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Madhi, Sankhuwasabha				
731	Dhanbisho Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Chitlang, Sankhuwasabha				
732	Saraswati Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Chainpur, Sankhuwasabha	Govinda Man Tamang	9842086791	govinda@gmail.com	Surveyed
733	Basantapur Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Tamaphok Sankhuwasabha				
734	Kharang Samudayik Sikai Kendra	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha				kharangsamudayuk@gmail.com	
735	Sankhuwa sawa Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Khadbari NP 9	Kuber Prasad Bhetwal	9842048019	kuberbhetuwal@gmail.com	
736	Wana community Library	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Panchkhapan NP6	Govinda Bdr. Shreshta	9842107985	govindas917@gmail.com	Surveyed
737	Makalu pustakalaya	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha		Jogbir	9852058232	sinhesworimavi65@gmail.com	
738	Dharma devi Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Dharmadevi Municipality	Sastosh Karki		santoshkarki548@gmail.com	Surveyed
739	Matram pustakalaya	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Dharmadevi				Surveyed
740	Jana sewa Sarbajanik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Khadbari Municipality 1	Tara	98421142399	tbbudhathoki1122@gmail.com	
741	Khadbari Sarbajanik pustakalaya	Province 1	Sankhuwasabha	Khadbari				Surveyed
742	Jagu Nepal Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Mahadev VDC	Brihaspati ram	9842956480	jaganepalputokay2074@gmail.com	Surveyed
743	Prayash Library	Madhesh	Saptari	saptakoshi -1, phetpur	Ramesh kumar karki	9852844110,	karkibagaicha@gmail.com	Surveyed
744	Everest Library	Madhesh	Saptari	hanuman Nagar				
745	Jagdamba Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Tilakhi -7				
746	Janakalyan Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Sakarapur -5				
747	Janata chaso Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Banarjhula -5				
748	Tarini Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Basaan				

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749	Devsaran Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Bodhbasain				
750	Baalbodh Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Sarakpur				
751	Baal Samajh Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Basaen				
752	Budhanath mass literature Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Mahenkadari				
753	Bidhyarthi Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Diman				
754	Mahendra Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Laxmipur				
755	Raja devi Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Nanura padaria				
756	Rani Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Rajbiraj				
757	Radhakrishna Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Banaema				
758	National Library	Madhesh	Saptari					
759	Loknath aadarsh Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Rajbiraj -1				
760	Sarvaha barga Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Badhwa				
761	Sahid Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Rajbiraj				
762	Child education Library	Madhesh	Saptari	Dhangadhi -4				
763	Chaturbhujeshwor community Library and resource center	Madhesh	Sarlahi	hariwanwada -10	Yamini kumar deep, Sostima Adhikari - (SM)	9844048578, 9844091551	chaturbhujeshworclrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
764	Kamala community Library and resource center	Bagmati	Sindhuli	Kamalamai Muc-1	Raj Kumar Karki, Upendra Kr. Pokhrel, Barun Thapa	9844019500, 9854041500, 9844045392	kamalacrlc@gmail.com	Surveyed
765	Kuleshowr Library	Bagmati	Sindhuli	Sindhili maii				
766	Janak Library	Bagmati	Sindhuli					
767	Nepal maitri Library	Bagmati	Sindhuli	Dhungebas				
768	Pragatishil Library	Bagmati	Sindhuli	Ratamatey				
769	Sahid Smarak Library	Bagmati	Sindhuli					
770	Thokarpa community resource and Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Sunkoshi RM-2	Netra bahadur karki	9841660928, 9869079755	karkisantosh160@gmail.com	Surveyed
771	Indrawati community Library and resource center	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Indrawati VDC -10, Odahare	Rajendra aacharya	9871174567		Surveyed
772	Hamro adhunik Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Sindukot gaun				

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773	Kamaladevi Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Aap chaur				
774	Jana jagriti Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Barabishe				
775	Birendra Jaleshowr Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Chautara				
776	Netra jyoti Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Badedgaun -4				
777	Giranchaur community Library & resource center	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Melamchi Mun-12 Giranchaur	Gorkha Bdr. Tamang	9843939185	giranchaur.clrc@gmail.com	Surveyed
778	Gram Bikash Library	Bagmati	Sindupalchowk	Chautara				
779	Prahari shital prasad Smarak Library	Madhesh	Siraha	arnam		9842816199	havinya309@gmail.com	
780	Janata Library	Madhesh	Siraha					
781	Siraha Library	Madhesh	Siraha		Om Prakash shah	9852831760	arunkp1760@gmail.com	Surveyed
782	Chirag Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Badriya -1				
783	Jagdamba Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Bipara -7				
784	Jana Kalyan Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Karjanaha -4				
785	Janata Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Gauripur				
786	Janasewa Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Chandra aayodhyapur -1				
787	Jana chaso Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Chandrodaya -2				
788	Nawa jagriti Library	Madhesh	Siraha					
789	Nawa durga	Madhesh	Siraha	Badariya -8				
790	Nawa Yuwa Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Jihaul -7				
791	Prashant Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Itari prasahi -2				
792	Brahmachari Library	Madhesh	Siraha					
793	Bhanubhakta Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Lahan				
794	Mahabir Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Sathibhain				
795	Muslim Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Belaha gau				

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796	Yuwak Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Biddhyanagar				
797	Yuwak Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Deuripatti				
798	Rabi Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Kabilashi				
799	Ratnarajya laxmi Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Padaria -2				
800	Saraswati Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Bachhabhi				
801	Janata Library	Madhesh	Siraha	mandar				
802	Sahid Library	Madhesh	Siraha	hanuman Nagar -2				
803	Subudh Mulur Library	Madhesh	Siraha	kushahalaxiniya -3				
804	Mahila Milan Kendra Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Devipur -2				
805	Pragati aadarsh youth Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Pidrabhawani -2				
806	Srijana Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Lahan Municipality ward no 11, Padariya	Khadga Narayan Chaudhary, Lalita Chaudhary-SM	9852830607, 9842840774	chylalita21@gmail.com	Surveyed
807	Saraswati Library	Madhesh	Siraha	Barchaha -2				
808	Haluwai Community Library & resource center	Madhesh	Siraha	Siraha Municipality	Chandradev Karki	9852830212	cdkamati@gmail.com	
809	B.P smriti Library and physical infrastructure management committee	Province 1	Solukhumbu	Dudhkunda municipality 7, Solukhumbu	Ashwin babu thapa			
810	Sarada Library	Province 1	Solukhumbu					
811	Sagarmatha community Library and resource center	Province 1	Solukhumbu	Khumbu Pasangalamu Rural Municipality ward 5, Namche	Pasang Chiring Sherpa	033-540233	paloutdoor@hotmail.com	Surveyed
812	Junbesi community Library and resource center	Province 1	Solukhumbu	Solu Dudhkunda Municipality -2	Chungba Sherpa	9842897788	chungs_2006@yahoo.com	Surveyed
813	Young Star community Library and resource center	Province 1	Solukhumbu	Solududhkunda Municipality ward -6	Buddhi Narayan Shrestha	038-520212,	youngstarclrc@gmail.com shresthabn@gmail.com	Surveyed
814	Sunsari Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Inaruwa				
815	Aafno Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Ramnagar				

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816	Koshi Library	Province 1	Sunsari	chatarā, Sunsari				
817	Janata Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Inaruwa	Ram bahadur Pokhrel			
818	Janahit informative Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Pakali				
819	Dantakali learning center	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan				
820	Dantakali Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Bijaypur Sunsari				
821	Narayani Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Narayadchowk Sunsari				
822	Buddha Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sunsari				
823	Laxmi Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sunsari				
824	Saraswati Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sunsari				
825	Janata Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sunsari, Amar path				
826	Itahari metropolitan Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Itahari, Sunsari				
827	L. Roy Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Munalpath, Dharan				
828	Late Bimal Smarak Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Putaliline, Itahari				
829	Sunaulo Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sub-metropolitan-17, Sunsari	Yubaraj Karki-Chairperson, Mohan Tamang-Social Mobiliser (SM)	9852062540, 9866422512, 9814359541	sunaulolibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
830	Trifala national Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Sunsari Sakha				
831	Pragatishil Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Itahari				
832	Dharan Public Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dharan, Sub-metropolitan		9860323771; 9852062540		
833	Bimal Memorial Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Dhankute Road Dharan				
834	Janajagarn Pustakalaya		Sunsari	Itahari				Surveyed
835	Baal Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Birendranagar -8, lattaram				
836	Prerana Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Birendranagar-10, khajura		9848208000	nminrajant00@gmail.com	Surveyed

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837	Sahid smriti Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Birendranagar	Yugnath Sharma	9857023292; 0847099867		
838	Samjhana Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Kuniyati -4				
839	Himali Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Birendranagar				
840	Birendranagar youth Library	Karnali	Surkhet	Chanautey, Birendranagar -8 ittaram				
841	Community Library and information center	Karnali	Surkhet	Birendranagar -1				
842	Jyoti Library	Karnali	Surkhet					
843	Gyan Joyti Samudayik Sikai Kendra		Surkhet	Barahtal GP 85		9858051250	dhimraj@gmail.com	Surveyed
844	bheri ganga samudayik Sikai Kendra		Surkhet	Bheriganganp	Yagya Dhakal	9858051490	ypdnepal@gmail.com	
845	Janasewa samudayik Sikai Kendra		Surkhet	Lekabasi				Surveyed
846	Kaligandaki public Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Chapakot	Arjun Khanal	9851095865	kharkaligandaki@gmail.com	
847	Sanjeevani community Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Kaligandaki na ga pa -3	Min bahadur thapa	9841618763	sanjeevanlibrary@gmail.com minthapa567@gmail.com	Surveyed
848	Shree metribuzin community Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Kaligandaki VDC -4	Rajendra prasad poudel	9851050525		
849	Kalika Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Balmata				
850	Jana jagriti Library	Gandaki	Syangja					
851	Jana jyoti Library	Gandaki	Syangja					
852	Janata Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Aadi, Kaharey	laxmi regmi	986029222	ranabir_janahit@gmail.com	
853	Parbat Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Bundir khola				
854	Bhawisya nirman Library	Gandaki	Syangja					
855	Matribhumi community Library and resource center	Gandaki	Syangja	Kaligandaki Rural Municipality Ward 4	Rajendra Pandey (Chairperson)	9851050525	matribhumilibrary@gmail.com	Surveyed
856	Laxmi Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Rajkot				
857	Laxmi Smarak community Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Putalibazar -1	Anita Gautam	9856052797	laxmilibrarysyajga@gmail.com	Surveyed

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858	Syangja Library	Gandaki	Syangja					
859	Sahid Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Kolma				
860	Trisahid Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Malepani -5				
861	Upallo aadhikhola sewa Samajh public Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Chalaunewash				
862	Jagatra Devi Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Syangja	Galyang Municipality-2 Batuwa	Laknath Bhandari	9856055200	lekhanathbhandari17@gmail.com	Surveyed
863	Rangkhola laxmi smriti pustakalaya	Gandaki	Syangja	Putalibazar -10, Rangkhola	Bishwo prem Adhikari	9846070885		Surveyed
864	Bishwo shanti community Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Putalibazer-11 Jaisedada	Aananta Naryan Aryal	9856050166		Surveyed
865	Shramik community Library	Gandaki	Syangja	Putalibazer - 14 tholopadero	Raman Dhakal	9856039406	dhaklaraman2065@gmail.com	Surveyed
866	Devghat Public Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Devghat, tanahu	Shiva raj poudel	9845090052,	devghatpustakalaya42@gmail.com	Surveyed
867	Yakdev Ale momoral Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Byass Municipality -3	Ramchandra Sapkota	9856064055	chandrakalasankhi8@gmail.com	
868	Padam Pustakalaya	Gandaki	Tanahu	Bandipur Rural Municipality -4 Badipurbazar	Bimala Shrestha	9808106049		Surveyed
869	Amar Yuwak Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
870	Janata Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Khaireni				
871	Janata Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Bandipur				
872	Bysodaya Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
873	Bhanu Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Bhanu Rural Municipality -4 Chumdhiramgha	Ram Kumar Shrestha	9846055510	avjiavees@gmail.com	
874	Mukunda shen Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Gaidakot				
875	Ratna Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Jyamruk				
876	Saraswati Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Purkot				
877	Devi deurali Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
878	Sindhu Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					

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879	khaireni Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Khaireni				
880	Bhagya devi Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
881	Narayan Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Jamune				
882	Maharshi Bedavyas Bedik	Gandaki	Tanahu	Byass				
883	Gyan Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Dorphirdi				
884	Bandipur Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Bandipur				
885	Sahid Krishna Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Dorparadi			krjahar44@gmail.com	
886	Kalika Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Kyami				
887	Jana jagriti Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
888	Sangya Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
889	Sahid dharma Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
890	Chhabi Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
891	Ekata Library	Gandaki	Tanahu					
892	Shree Bhadra Smarak Library	Gandaki	Tanahu	Basantapur -1				
893	Samudaik Sikai Kendra and pustakalaya		Tanahu	Jamune				Surveyed
894	Jana pustakalaya		Tanahu	Bandipur				Surveyed
895	Deepjyoti community study center	Province 1	Taplejung	Fungling municipality ward no -7	Bharat kumar Gurung	9842642		
896	Janakalyan Library	Province 1	Taplejung	Thumbedin				
897	Kanchenjunga public Library	Province 1	Taplejung	Khewang	Baburam Shrestha	9842039694		Surveyed
898	Sangadin Library	Province 1	Taplejung	Khewang				
899	Gyanmarga Community Library	Province 1	Taplejung	Shrejangha RM-2	Shovit	9863180220		
900	Janata Community Library		Taplejung	Phungling Municipality		9852660755	saradniraula456@gmail.com	
901	Siddheshowr samudayik adhhyan Kendra		Taplejung	siddha baba rural municipality-2		9824049390	khadkarajan2021@gmail.com	



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902	Sarada Library	Province 1	Taplejung	Fungling municipality				
903	Asanlu Samudayik adhhyan Kendra		Taplejung			9862658582		Surveyed
904	Pathibhara community Library		Taplejung			9842639804	pathivarayong@gmail.com	
905	Community Library and resource center		Taplejung	Shre ganga gaupalika-2				Surveyed
906	Shree Krishna public Library	Province 1	Terhathum	Manglungbazar, Terhathum				
907	Janata Library	Province 1	Terhathum	Atharari, Terhathum				
908	Janapriye Library	Province 1	Terhathum	Mulpani, Terhathum				
909	Singhabahini Library	Province 1	Terhathum	Myanglung Municipality - ward 1	Mohan Subedi/ Deekendra Tumbahangphe	9842030675, 9851001909	mohansubedi698@gmail.com	Surveyed
910	Sarada Library	Province 1	Terhathum					
911	Shree Jungha Library	Province 1	Terhathum					
912	Dhankuta Metro Library	Province 1	Terhathum					
913	Jalpa Devi Library	Province 1	Terhathum					
914	Tinjure Samudayik Pustakalaya	Province 1	Terhathum	Myanglung Municipality				
915	Sangam Community Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Udaipur, gai ghat, Udayapur	Bharat Khadka	9842847570	sangampustakalaya@gmail.com bkhadkahr@gmail.com	Surveyed
916	Katari Community Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Katari municipality - 3	Kumar Rai	9842909672; 9843223947		Surveyed
917	Adhyatmika Bagmati Library	Province 1	Udayapur	pauradhi, Rautahat				
918	Ishwar Bhagat Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Rautahat				

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919	Kalakunja Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Gaur, Rautahat				
920	Jayanodhya Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Gaur, Rautahat				
921	Durga Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Matsari, Rautahat				
922	Nepal Aadarsh Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Jayanagar, Rautahat				
923	Baal Kalyan Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Chandranigapur, Rautahat				
924	Sunrise Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Chandranigapur, Rautahat				
925	Shiva Chandra Library	Province 1	Udayapur	Rautahat				
926	Kinara Pustakalaya	Province 1	Udayapur	Matekhola		9851224618		
927	Baidik Adhyan Kendra	Karnali	Jajarkot	Bheri NP				Surveyed
928	Laxmi Narayan Community Librery	Gandaki	Lamjung			984637015		Surveyed
929	Ujyalo Community Learning Center and Library	Province 1	Sunsari	Pahbhari	Dharan Upmahanagar Palika	9842181101 9842110181		Surveyed
	Total	929						227

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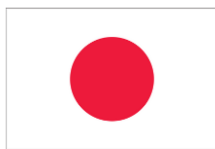


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