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# Message from the Chairperson

At the heart of our philosophy lies the recognition that investing in human capital isn't just an expenditure; it's a judicious investment with substantial returns. By empowering local communities and nurturing an enduring atmosphere of peace, we lay the foundation for sustainable development and resilience against disasters. Our unwavering focus on empowering young people through capacity building, advocacy, and community mobilization has proven to be the linchpin for unlocking their potential and propelling positive change.

While economic empowerment remains a surface of our work, we acknowledge the pivotal importance of uniting diverse stakeholders to foster interactive and collaborative development processes. Through strategic partnerships with governmental bodies, media outlets, private sector entities, development collaborators, and multilateral organizations, we've forged a united front to address the needs of vulnerable communities.

None of our accomplishments would have materialized without the steadfast support of Jcycn's board members, advisors, dedicated staff, and well-wishers. Their unwavering commitment and impassioned contributions have been instrumental in propelling our mission. As we cast our gaze towards the future, our commitment to fostering a positive impact in the lives of those we serve remains firm. We humbly seek continued support in our quest to illuminate a brighter, more inclusive world.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude once more to all those who have joined us on this remarkable journey. Together, we have the power to create a lasting impact and shape a better tomorrow for all.

Thank you

Tilottam Paudel  
Chairperson

Amidst global challenges, Jcycn stands unwavering in its dedication to forging a better world, particularly for the most vulnerable among us. Our work over the past decade has been galvanized by an unshakable belief in safeguarding the rights of children and youth while amplifying their voices.

Through tireless advocacy and dynamic campaigns, we've wielded influence in shaping strategies and policies that confront the pressing issues faced by children and youth. From safeguarding child-friendly local governance to championing youth-friendly equivalents, supporting income-generating activities, and offering safer migration alternatives, our initiatives have tangibly improved the lives of countless young individuals.

This annual report goes beyond the specific projects and endeavors undertaken by Jcycn; it also serves as a testament to the tangible impact of our interventions. Through the personal stories of those whose lives have undergone transformation, we underscore the profound power of investing in individuals and equipping them with the tools to prosper.

# Introduction

Welcome to this comprehensive summary report, which provides valuable insights into the ongoing efforts of Jcyn over the past year, as we continue to expand our mission.

These projects, delivered as part of our services, ran concurrently with our ongoing advocacy initiatives.

Within these reports, you will witness the unwavering dedication of our on-the-ground staff, their outstanding managerial capabilities, and the steadfast support we have received from both the executive board and our esteemed funding partners.

These critical elements have been instrumental in our ability to effectively serve the community.

Furthermore, our meaningful connections with the individuals we assist and the positive relationships cultivated with various stakeholders have been integral to the success of our endeavors.

As you delve into these reports, we trust you will gain a deeper understanding of the profound impact of our projects and the transformative changes they have brought to the communities we serve. Many of the case stories presented within will provide compelling validation of our work.

We wish you an enjoyable and enlightening reading experience.

In solidarity,

Prakash Khadka  
CEO / Planning and Grant Management





**Vision**

A peaceful, democratic, and just society with respect for human dignity.

**Mission**

Participatory society and accountable governance for human development.

**Goal**

Empower and promote people for meaningful participation in all sphere of society and state affairs.

## Strategic Direction (2020-2024)



### Programmatic Domain

**CHILD WELL-BEING**

Empower and mobilize young leaders for Child-Friendly Local Governance. Promote protection, development, and participation of the children through formal and informal mechanisms.

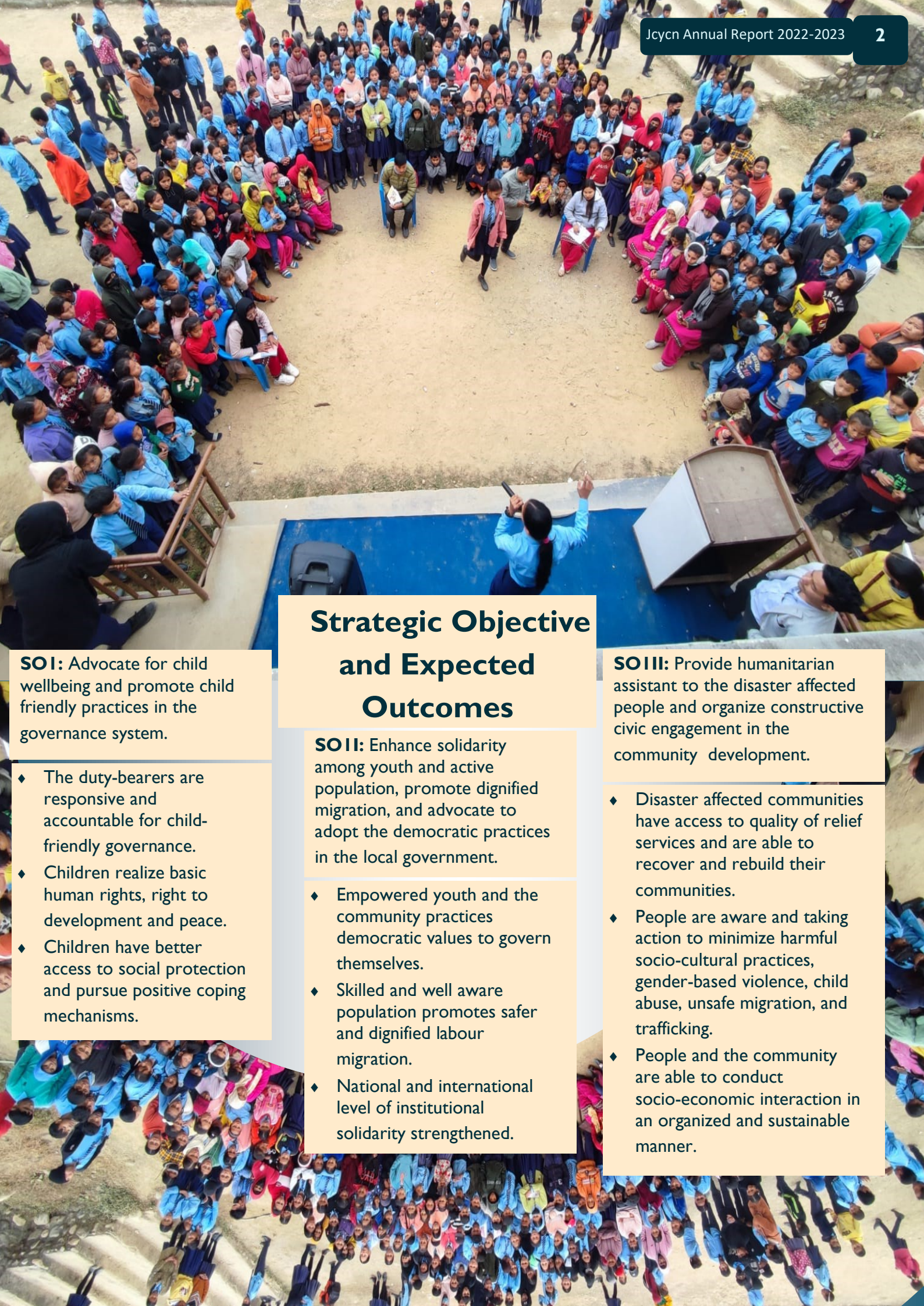
**YOUTH AND MIGRATION**

Empower youth and advocate for the public friendly governance. Build a strong cross-cultural human economy and social solidarity for a more dignified migration, social protection and human rights.

**DISASTER AND DEVELOPMENT**

Respond to disasters and emergencies. Participate in extensive public empowerment and community development through a people-led animation approach in a sustainable manner.





## Strategic Objective and Expected Outcomes

**SOI:** Advocate for child wellbeing and promote child friendly practices in the governance system.

- ◆ The duty-bearers are responsive and accountable for child-friendly governance.
- ◆ Children realize basic human rights, right to development and peace.
- ◆ Children have better access to social protection and pursue positive coping mechanisms.

**SOII:** Enhance solidarity among youth and active population, promote dignified migration, and advocate to adopt the democratic practices in the local government.

- ◆ Empowered youth and the community practices democratic values to govern themselves.
- ◆ Skilled and well aware population promotes safer and dignified labour migration.
- ◆ National and international level of institutional solidarity strengthened.

**SOIII:** Provide humanitarian assistance to the disaster affected people and organize constructive civic engagement in the community development.

- ◆ Disaster affected communities have access to quality of relief services and are able to recover and rebuild their communities.
- ◆ People are aware and taking action to minimize harmful socio-cultural practices, gender-based violence, child abuse, unsafe migration, and trafficking.
- ◆ People and the community are able to conduct socio-economic interaction in an organized and sustainable manner.







# Approaches



**Service Advocates**

Proactive measures and strategies to avoid or reduce the occurrence of potential violations to maintain compliance with laws, regulations, and ethical standards.

Measures and actions to safeguard the rights, well-being, and safety of individuals, particularly those who are vulnerable to harm, discrimination, or human rights violations.



Actions and initiatives aimed at raising awareness, advocating for, and actively advancing the principles and protections of human rights.

The legal process of holding individuals or entities accountable for violations of human rights and ensuring that they face appropriate legal consequences for their actions.

**Service Provider**





# Protecting Vulnerable Children

Jcycn, as a prominent child protection organization in Nepal, is making substantial contributions to the country's National Plan on Child Labour (2018-2028) while aligning its efforts with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with the mission to eliminate all forms of child labour by 2025.

Jcycn's dedicated focus extends to rescuing children from various exploitative environments, which encompass the entertainment sector, domestic servitude, sexual exploitation, and hazardous working conditions. With active interventions, the organization strives to bring these vulnerable children out of harm's way.

After the successful rescue of these children, Jcycn ensures their comprehensive rehabilitation. This involves crucial services such as psychosocial counselling and medical treatment, addressing the emotional and physical trauma many of these children may have endured. Furthermore, Jcycn collaborates with various partners to facilitate the seamless reintegration of these children into society. The aim is to provide them with the necessary support and resources to rebuild their lives.

Jcycn strives to raise awareness and advocate for the implementation of the Palermo Protocol; an international agreement targeting the prevention, suppression, and punishment of trafficking in persons, particularly women and children. By actively participating in these discussions, Jcycn contributes significantly to the fight against child labour and trafficking.

In addition to rescue and rehabilitation, Jcycn provides vital legal support to these vulnerable children and survivors. Employing a full-time lawyer dedicated to litigation cases related to child exploitation and trafficking, the organization ensures that justice is accessible to those who need it most. Additionally, the lawyer supports stateless children by assisting them in acquiring citizenship through legal means, empowering these children to assert their rights.

To encourage collaboration and fortify child protection efforts at the community level, Jcycn actively participates in dialogues focused on implementing the Child Act of 2018. Through this initiative, Jcycn seeks to bolster child protection measures at the grassroots, safeguarding the safety and well-being of children across Nepal.





## A Story of Liberation from Domestic Servitude

In February 2023, Sanumaya's life took a dramatic turn when she was rescued from a harrowing situation of domestic servitude in Kathmandu. Her story highlights the critical role played by the National Child Rights Council (NCRC) and Jcycn in reuniting her with her family and seeking justice against those who exploited her vulnerability.

Sanumaya's journey began with the promise of education, a dream that many children share. However, what was meant to be an opportunity for learning turned into months of uncompensated servitude. Her father had migrated for work, leaving her family vulnerable in his absence. Sanumaya's mother, determined to provide her daughter with a better future, agreed to the arrangement, believing it would be a pathway to education and a brighter future for Sanumaya.

Tragically, the reality was far from what they had hoped for. Sanumaya endured months of demanding labour, serving a host family who had initially promised her education but reneged on their commitment. To make matters worse, the host family used threats and intimidation to prevent her repatriation, leaving Sanumaya trapped in a nightmare.


However, hope emerged on the horizon when the NCRC became aware of Sanumaya's plight through Jcycn. Their intervention was swift and decisive. Working in collaboration with Jcycn's dedicated team, they facilitated Sanumaya's reunion with her family in her village, putting an end to her ordeal.

But the story didn't end there. Justice needed to be served. The host family, responsible for exploiting Sanumaya's vulnerability and subjecting her to unpaid servitude, faced legal action. The legal proceedings resulted in a significant penalty, with the host family ordered to pay a fine of 70,000 Nepalese rupees. This legal action sent a powerful message that such exploitation of vulnerable individuals, especially children, would not be tolerated.

Sanumaya's case serves as a poignant illustration of the challenges faced by vulnerable individuals, particularly in the context of child exploitation and domestic servitude. It underscores the vital role that organizations like the NCRC and Jcycn play in rescuing victims, reuniting them with their families, and seeking justice against those who perpetrate such abuses.

Sanumaya's journey from exploitation and captivity to liberation and justice is a testament to the unwavering commitment to protect the rights and well-being of vulnerable children in Nepal and to create a safer and more equitable society for all.

*\*Sanumaya; name changed for privacy*



Over the past year, Jcycn has exhibited unwavering dedication in the battle against child labour and trafficking.

Our determined efforts have resulted in the successful rescue of 14 children from the most distressing forms of child labour. Among them, nine have been successfully reintegrated into their families, receiving educational and livelihood support, while the remaining children have been referred to safe houses through our partners for their protection.

In close collaboration with multiple law enforcement agencies, Jcycn played a pivotal role in rescuing seven children from internal sex trafficking and repatriating fourteen children who were victims of labour trafficking in India.

Furthermore, our steadfast legal team has diligently pursued these cases, resulting in the arrest of five perpetrators who exploited these vulnerable children.

Additionally, we've provided alternative means of livelihood to 26 families who were at risk. These families have reported monthly earnings ranging from 15,000 to 45,000 Nepalese rupees, offering them a more sustainable way of life.

As a result of these concerted efforts, over 89 children have been spared from entering the perilous labour market, underscoring our commitment to protecting and empowering these young lives.





## ***A Journey of Resilience and Justice***

Sabita's journey for justice is a touching tale of resilience and determination. She was raised in an orphanage, with her father having disappeared twenty-five years ago, leaving her and her mother to fend for themselves. Her mother worked as a daily wage labourer to support them, while Sabita had the opportunity to receive an education up to her high school level within the orphanage's caring environment.

However, the real struggle began when Sabita embarked on a quest to secure her rightful citizenship in Nepal, as provided for in the country's latest constitution of 2015. This path was far from easy, and it pushed Sabita and her mother into a distressing situation until the intervention of Jcycn, beacon of hope.

In 2017, Sabita applied for citizenship acquisition at her local district administration office (DAO) with all the required supporting documents and witness testimonies. To her surprise, her application was denied. Undeterred, she filed a case at the high court in 2021. However, even after the high court's verdict, her re-application at the DAO, accompanied by the court decision, was met with another denial. The DAO cited the lack of a legal provision to grant citizenship through the mother and demanded evidence that her missing father was a Nepali citizen in 2022.



Frustrated but resolute, Sabita filed a writ petition at the supreme court, which granted an interim order. In 2023, she applied for citizenship for the third time, but the DAO once again refused, stating that the case was still sub-judice in the court. A contempt of court petition was filed, and the court issued interim orders once more. This led to numerous exchanges of documents between the court and the DAO office, adding to Sabita's perseverance.

Finally, after an uphill legal battle, Sabita was granted citizenship through her mother's name. Jcyn stood by her side throughout the entire struggle.

With her newly acquired citizenship in hand, Sabita shared her excitement, saying, "I will open a bank account with this citizenship. My mother is sick, and she needs to earn and save money to take care of her as she is getting old." Sabita's story is a testament to the power of determination and the pursuit of justice, ultimately securing her rights and a brighter future for her family.

"When I had no citizenship, the people around me used to look down on me. They laughed at me, some said I was stateless, some called me 'unidentified,' 'alien,' but now their mouths are closed. None of my neighbors helped me in my difficulties... She recalls.

Urbasi, her mother was just seventeen when Sabita was born, as her only daughter. While being a resident at a children's home, Sabita was offered the option to be labeled as an orphan to make it easier for her to obtain citizenship. However, the determined mother, Urbasi, passionately refused this arrangement. 'I wanted my only daughter to gain her identity through her mother.' It took us ages, we endured maximum hardship, but finally, we did it. I am recognized as a woman and as a mother." said Urbasi

Both my mother and I want to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who stood by our side. We couldn't have asked for better support during this challenging journey."

*In the same year, Jcyn successfully provided legal assistance to another case, with two more ongoing cases in progress.*





# Empowering Girls

The Girls' Empowerment Programme stands as a dynamic and highly influential initiative, strategically crafted to confront and combat the pervasive forms of violence and discrimination faced by girls, irrespective of whether it occurs in public or private domains.

At its heart, this program harbours a profound mission: to equip girls with the confidence to raise their voices and contribute to the creation of an inclusive and gender-equal society.

One of the program's remarkable strengths is its ability to harness the power of a dedicated team of peer educators, ranging in age from 13 to 19 years old.

These educators are from diverse backgrounds, ensuring a broad reach and impact across various communities. To prepare them for their pivotal roles, they have undergone rigorous and comprehensive training, emerging as catalysts for transformative change within their schools and neighbourhoods.



These peer educators have displayed an unwavering commitment to their mission, and their tireless efforts have yielded significant results. Their influence has been particularly pronounced in their support for and empowerment of thousands of adolescents, with a particular emphasis on uplifting girls.

Through mentorship, education, and advocacy, they have not only provided valuable guidance but have also instilled a sense of agency and self-confidence in their peers.

In essence, the Girls' Empowerment Programme

has not only identified the critical need to address violence and discrimination against girls but has also taken concrete steps to create positive change. Through the dedication and passion of these young peer educators, the program has successfully initiated a cultural shift towards inclusivity and gender equality.

By focusing on girls and empowering them to be change-makers in their own right, this initiative is not only transforming individual lives but also contributing to the broader goal of building a fairer and more equitable society for all.



# Overcoming Exploitation

## Pursuing Education

The story revolves around Kunti's challenging journey. Her story is a testament to resilience and the transformative power of support from organizations like Jcycn. At the age of fourteen, Kunti found herself in a challenging situation. She had been promised both education and domestic work in Kathmandu, but the reality turned out to be quite different. Instead of receiving an education, she was exploited as a full-time domestic worker, robbed of the opportunity to develop her skills and pursue her dreams.

Her difficult journey continued as she sought employment at a restaurant in Pokhara. The challenges she faced in this job pushed her to escape, determined to find a better path for herself. Unfortunately, her family was grappling with financial difficulties, which were further exacerbated by a devastating fire, making it even more challenging for Kunti to secure meaningful employment.

Despite her own struggles, Kunti was deeply concerned for her siblings, who were also unable to access education due to their family's financial constraints. It was during these trying times that Jcycn stepped in to offer a lifeline.

Jcycn's intervention was critical in Kunti's life. They not only rescued her sister from forced labor but also provided much-needed assistance to the family. This support came at a pivotal moment, preventing Kunti's family from sliding further into despair.

Another major turning point in Kunti's life was her family's intention to marry her off at a young age, a common practice in some communities. However, Jcycn's consultations and advocacy played a vital role in saving Kunti from this forced marriage, enabling her to continue her education and pursue her dreams.

At the age of sixteen, Kunti has now been enrolled in a training center that equips her with business skills, computer proficiency, and languages. This educational opportunity is a significant step toward her personal development and future success. Moreover, her family has received support to establish their own enterprise, alleviating their financial burdens.

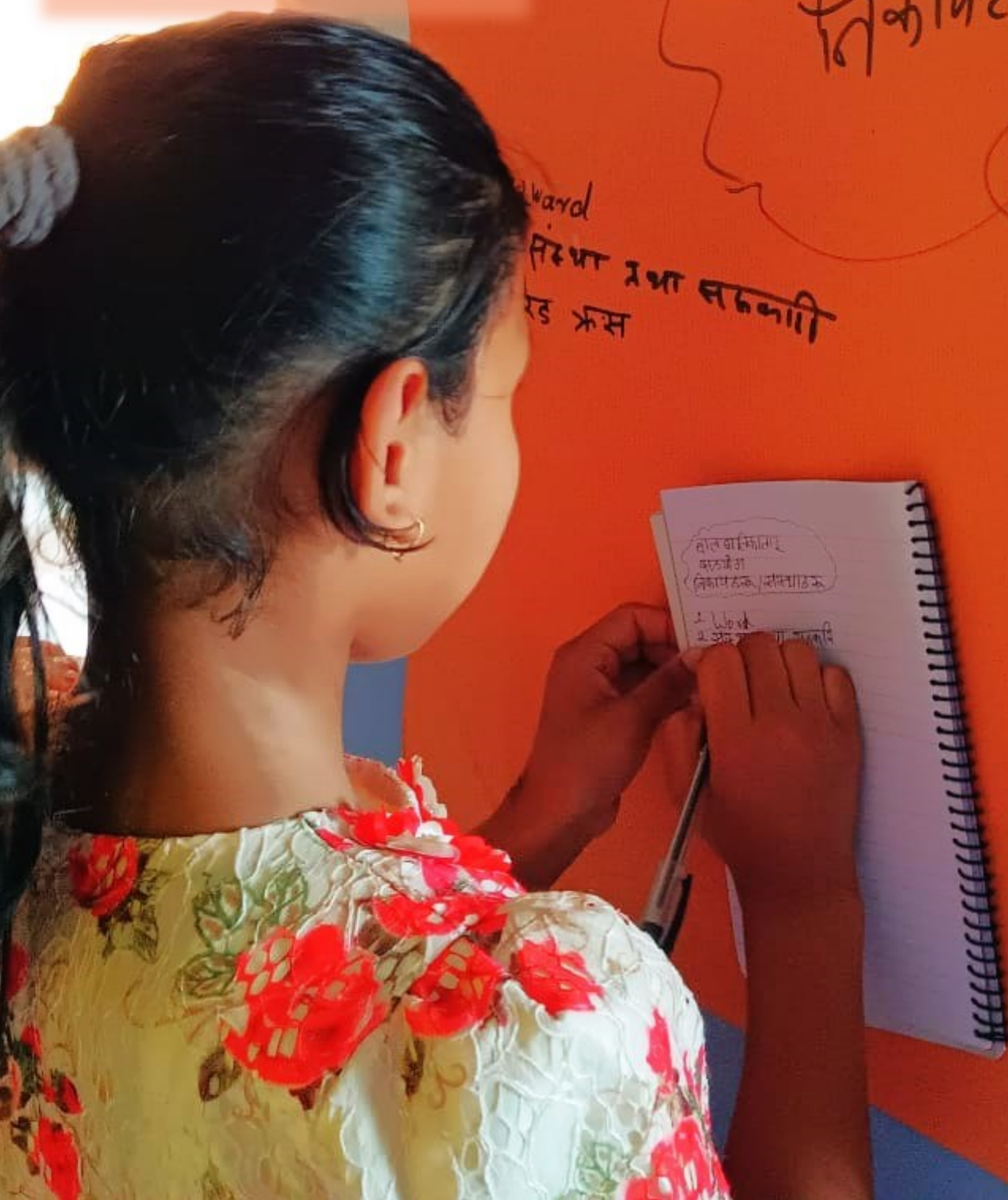
As a result of Jcycn's intervention, Kunti's siblings are now able to attend school, breaking the cycle of limited access to education within their family. Kunti's journey, from exploitation and hardship to empowerment and education, is a remarkable example of how organizations like Jcycn can make a positive impact on the lives of vulnerable individuals and their families, ultimately contributing to a brighter future for all.

*\*Kunti: name changed for Privacy*



### Knowledge Shared by Peer Educators with their Peers and Community:

- ◆ Child rights – 2,544 instances
- ◆ Conflict and Violence – 1,712 instances
- ◆ SRHR – 3,424 instances
- ◆ Gender Equality – 2,265 instances
- ◆ CFLG – 1,884 instances
- ◆ Cyber Security – 2,994 instances
- ◆ Life skill training – 1,491 instances
- ◆ Drug Abuse – 1,705 instances
- ◆ Legal Treatment – 227 instances
- ◆ Self-Defense – 1,065 instances





# The Girls' Learning Center

The Girls' Learning Center (GLC) is a significant initiative launched by Jcycn as part of the Girls Empowerment Project. The primary objective of this initiative is to address the root causes of gender inequality, with a particular focus on empowering and supporting girls, girl groups, and child club members.

The center's strategic location in a peri-urban area is chosen with the intention of promoting informed decision-making and creating a girl-friendly society.

Construction of the learning center began in April 2022, with plans for it to be fully functional by 2024.

The GLC prioritizes its target audience, placing a strong emphasis on girls themselves, as well as girl groups and child club members. These individuals are at the forefront of the project's mission. While the center does extend its services to child club graduates, stakeholders, and policymakers working towards girls' betterment, their inclusion is of secondary importance.

One noteworthy aspect of the center's design is its inclusivity. The building is being constructed

to be gender-friendly, child-friendly, and disability-friendly. This ensures that it caters to the diverse needs of the community it serves.

Moreover, the GLC is envisioned as a hub for knowledge and skill enhancement among children. It will offer educational programs, workshops, and resources to equip girls with the information and tools they need to thrive.

Lastly, the center is being fully equipped to fulfill its mission effectively. This includes providing the necessary infrastructure, materials, and technology required for its educational and empowerment programs.

In summary, the GLC is a vital initiative in Devchuli Municipality, Nawalpur district, aimed at empowering girls and addressing gender inequality. By offering education, information, and a girl-friendly environment, it seeks to bring about positive change in the lives of girls and the community, promoting inclusivity and gender equality.





# Providing Education; Empowering Communities

For years, Jcycn has remained dedicated in its mission to provide both formal and informal educational support to socially excluded and economically disadvantaged children residing in marginalized communities. This commitment forms a fundamental cornerstone of Jcycn's grassroots initiatives.

In its endeavour to broaden educational access, Jcycn employs a holistic approach that encompasses a diverse range of initiatives. These encompass financial assistance, teacher provision, the provision of mid-day meals, the facilitation of capacity-building programs, infrastructure enhancements, and the supply of school uniforms and stationery, among others. These collective efforts are all directed towards fortifying school facilities and ensuring that students have access to highly qualified educators. The impact of these initiatives rises beyond the classroom, leaving a profound watermark on the communities in which these students live.

Recognizing that the provision of educational services alone may not guarantee long-term sustainability, Jcycn adopts a comprehensive perspective. The organization acknowledges that genuine change occurs when families attain self-sufficiency. To this end, Jcycn actively fosters an environment where education takes precedence within economically challenged families. Through livelihood enhancements, Jcycn empowers low-income families, enabling them to support their children's regular school attendance.

Furthermore, as previously mentioned, Jcycn establishes children's clubs and offers them significant opportunities for capacity-building training, serving as a form of informal education. These initiatives primarily benefit children from marginalized communities, including those who have experienced social exclusion, economic disadvantage, child labour, and various forms of exploitation. Through its unwavering dedication, Jcycn continues to leave a lasting impact on the lives of these individuals, uplifting them and their communities through education and improved livelihoods.





# A Beacon of Hope and Collaboration

In a particular area, a group of nineteen Chepang children faced a formidable barrier to education; the distance between their homes and the nearest school. However, this challenge did not deter the dedicated team at Jcycn. Their swift and compassionate response not only provided immediate relief but also laid the foundation for a brighter future for these marginalized children.

The Chepang community, consisting of approximately 70,000 members, resides in semi-nomadic conditions and grapples with issues such as limited farmland and persistent hunger. These dire circumstances often push some families, including children, into the heart-wrenching realms of forced labor and trafficking.

Upon learning about the predicament of these nineteen Chepang children, Jcycn's team sprang into action. They recognized that every child deserves the opportunity to receive an education, regardless of their circumstances. The team collaborated closely with the local community to devise an immediate solution.

To bridge the educational gap, an informal education system was established with the assistance of a part-time teacher. This initiative provided these Chepang children with access to learning opportunities while a more sustainable, long-term solution was sought.

The dedication to addressing this issue was palpable. Plans were set in motion to expand and enhance these efforts, ensuring that more children from the Chepang community could access education. Jcycn took a proactive approach by providing stationery, bags, and umbrellas for each child, further alleviating some of the barriers they faced.

Looking toward the future, possibilities were explored, including the consideration of additional classroom space. The village leaders, demonstrating their commitment to the cause, expressed their willingness to provide land for the construction of a basic room if sponsored. This collective

determination reflected the belief that education is not a privilege but a fundamental right of every child.

The story of these Chepang children is a testament to the power of collaboration, empathy, and unwavering determination. It underscores the crucial role that organizations like Jcycn play in breaking down the barriers to education that marginalized communities face. By providing these children with access to learning opportunities, they are not only addressing the immediate issue but also sowing the seeds for a brighter and more promising future for the Chepang community, one child at a time.

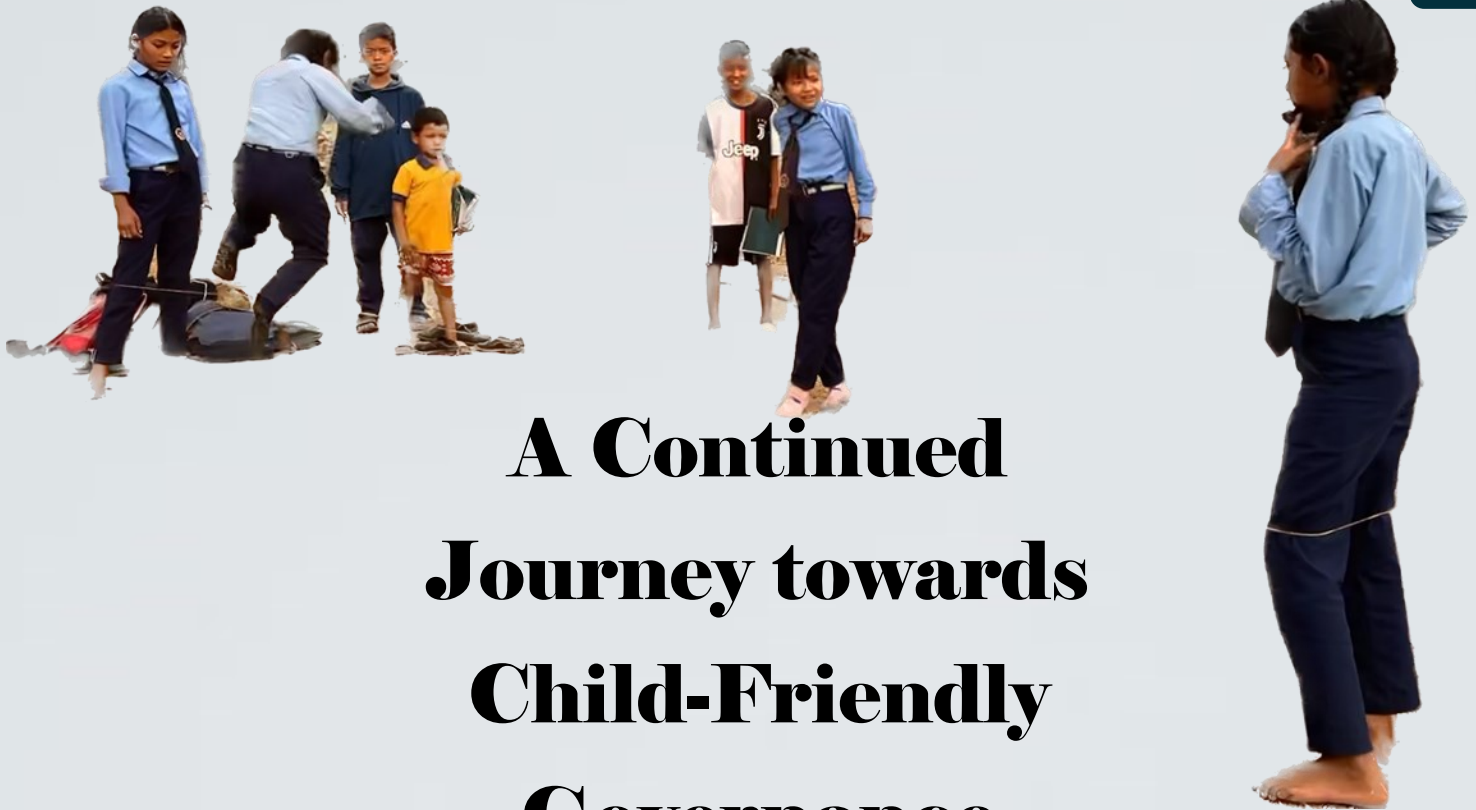
"Join us in making a difference in the lives of children like the Chepang children. Jcycn's programs are providing vital access to education and hope for a brighter future for marginalized children facing significant obstacles.

Your generosity can change lives. By contributing to Jcycn's initiatives, you're not just supporting education; you're empowering these children to break free from the cycle of poverty and exploitation. Your support provides stationery, bags, umbrellas, and the opportunity for these children to learn, grow, and thrive.

Every donation counts, no matter the size. Together, we can make sure that no child is left behind. Let's work hand in hand to give these children a chance at a better life and education, allowing them to reach their full potential.

*Please consider donating today and help us continue our mission of making education a reality for every child. Your support can truly transform lives. Together, we can create a brighter future for these children and their communities.*





# A Continued Journey towards Child-Friendly Governance

**C**hild-Friendly Local Governance (CFLG) serves as a paramount mechanism for safeguarding children and promoting their development, empowerment, and overall well-being. Engaging in CFLG work is a proactive approach that addresses a wide array of child protection and development challenges, mitigating potential risks.

Jcycn has assumed the pivotal role of serving as the secretariat for the National CFLG Forum since its inception in 2017. In this capacity, Jcycn oversees the network's operations and leads the CFLG campaign at the national level.

Collaborating with various multinational organizations, the National CFLG Forum effectively supported and facilitated the CFLG Agenda throughout the country. This involved offering technical support, engaging in social media advocacy, providing virtual assistance, and actively participating in policy advocacy and stakeholder collaboration to advance the CFLG agenda.

Jcycn's secretariat, under its leadership, has played a crucial role in spearheading various

child rights initiatives and campaigns in Nepal.

In addition, the forum also played a leading role in preparing the first ever CRC Supplementary Report focusing on *Raute* children, significantly contributed to the completion of both the Girls-led and Girls-centric CRC Supplementary Reports, and subsequently submitted these three thematic reports to the UNCRC Committee.

To achieve the goals, Jcycn employs several key strategies such as prioritizing enhancing the capacity of local governments and partner NGOs, guiding the development of integrated procedures to promote child rights at the local level, and fostering collaboration and coordination with stakeholders to maximize synergy.

As of now, 48 wards in 23 municipalities have either achieved or exceeded 80% of the CFLG indicator, leading them to declare themselves child-friendly. This signifies significant progress in the pursuit of child well-being and protection through CFLG efforts.



# Evolution from Child-Friendly to Youth-Friendly

With a wealth of experience in Child-Friendly Local Governance (CFLG), Jcycn has embarked on a new mission: promoting Youth-Friendly Local Governance (YFLG).

In collaboration with the National Youth Council (NYC), UNDP, and Unicef, Jcycn initiated a pioneering project titled "Enhancing Local Leaders' Capacity for Adolescent and Youth-Friendly Local Governance in Nepal." Under this project, Jcycn took on the task of revising the YFLG Guideline (2075) and its scoring system, including indicators for YFLG, and developed a new training manual.

Throughout this process, Jcycn conducted in-house consultations in all provinces of Nepal, involving 235 elected representatives, local bureaucrats, and young individuals from diverse backgrounds.

The second phase of the YFLG campaign has been initiated in collaboration with UNDP and NYC, following a successful bid by Jcycn. This phase encompasses 14 Local Governments, with a strong emphasis on capacity building, technical support, and advocacy. As a result of these developments, the YFLG campaign in Nepal has been rejuvenated and scaled up in the country. The YFLG project advisory committee has been updated as well.

Jcycn actively engages with stakeholders and advocates for youth inclusion in local governance. Notably, the YFLG program has achieved another milestone by successfully training 26 youth leaders of 14 Local Governments, representing two Local Governments each of all seven provinces. This represents a significant step forward in promoting youth inclusion in local governance. On the other hand, NYC has allocated funds for the capacity building of youth in all 77 districts as part of the YFLG implementation process.



# Path to Well-Being Through Nutrition-Friendly Governance

Jcyn has launched a new initiative known as "Nutrition-Friendly Local Governance," marking a significant stride toward its future strategies. This initiative is currently centered on delivering essential services directly to communities.

In response to the challenges faced by these communities, Jcyn introduced a child nutrition project in 2021. The project's primary objectives include enhancing the nutritional well-being of children and women, reducing protein-energy malnutrition, and advocating for healthy dietary habits.

Jcyn employed effective mass communication methods, including radio broadcasts, Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) materials, and social media, to reach a broad and diverse audience. Additionally, Jcyn engaged in extensive discussions on child nutrition through Talk Shows.

Through this project, Jcyn provided midday

meals to students in various schools and conducted Training of Trainers (ToT) sessions to equip local leaders and community members with essential knowledge regarding child health and nutrition. Furthermore, Jcyn established child clubs to foster and encourage healthy habits among children.

Jcyn extended its support to schools serving economically disadvantaged slum and urban poor children. This support encompassed teacher salaries, infrastructure development, meal provision, and the provision of educational resources.

In addition to these efforts, Jcyn directed its focus towards addressing hunger and poverty in various communities, particularly during emergencies and disasters. This involved providing essential food and non-food items to those in need, further exemplifying Jcyn's commitment to improving the well-being of communities in various ways, with a strong focus on nutrition-friendly initiatives.





## Advocacy Initiatives

Jcycn is deeply committed to championing human rights, particularly those related to children, and diligently safeguarding their well-being. This commitment is manifested through strategic collaborations with a diverse array of networks and government bodies. These partnerships serve as the bedrock for advocating child rights, fostering policies that are friendly to children, and spearheading initiatives that prioritize their protection and welfare.

Presently, Jcycn proudly affiliates with a range of prominent networks, each dedicated to a distinct facet of child advocacy:

- 1.National Child Friendly Local Governance Forum:** This network is dedicated to advancing child-friendly governance practices and policies at the local level.
- 2.Social Protection Civil Society Network:** Collaborating to strengthen social protection measures for children and vulnerable populations.
- 3.National Coalition for Girls' Rights:** Advocating for the rights and well-being of girls, with an unwavering focus on gender equality.
- 4.Children as Zones of Peace National Campaign:** Promote the protection and promotion of children's rights during and after armed conflicts.
- 5.Consortium of Organizations Working for Child Participation Nepal:** Empowering children to actively engage in decision-making processes.
- 6.National Child Protection Alliance Nepal:** A collective effort to shield children from various forms of harm and exploitation.
- 7.Education Watch Group:** Vigilantly monitoring and enhancing the quality of education for Nepal's children.
- 8.Association of Youth Organization Nepal:** Collaborating with youth organizations to address issues affecting young people.

### 9.Disaster Preparedness Network

**Nepal:** Bolstering preparedness and response measures to ensure children's protection during disasters.

### 10.Human Rights Treaty Monitoring

**Coordination Committee:** Ensuring the diligent implementation of human rights treaties, including those concerning children's rights.

### 11.Humanitarian Accountability

**Monitoring Initiative:** Scrutinizing humanitarian responses to guarantee that children's needs and rights are met during crises.

### 12.Men-Engage Alliance Nepal:

Championing gender equality and involving men and boys in efforts to protect children's rights.

**13.Human Rights Alliance:** Tirelessly advocating for human rights, including those of children, within Nepal.

### 14.United Network of Young

**Peacebuilders:** Actively engaging young individuals in peacebuilding and conflict resolution endeavors.

### 15.NGO Federation Nepal:

Collaborating with a network of non-governmental organizations to comprehensively address children's issues.

**16.Forum Asia:** Contributing to international human rights advocacy.

### 17.National Network for Safe

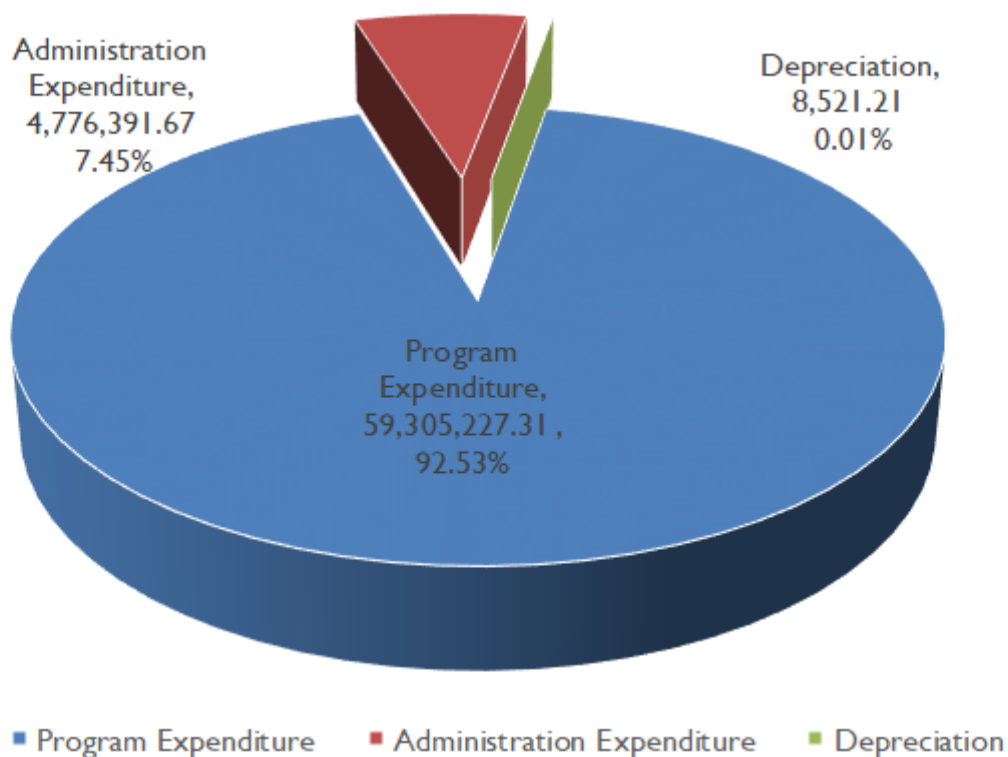
**Migration (NNSM):** Formulating policy recommendations for labour migration and development.

In addition to these invaluable network affiliations, Jcycn maintains close and constructive partnerships with various government bodies, including the National Child Right Council (NCRC), National Youth Council (NYC), National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), and the National Center for Children at Risk. These synergistic relationships epitomize Jcycn's holistic approach to safeguarding children's rights and ensuring their well-being, harnessing the collective strength of both networks and government entities.



# Admin-Finance Overview

S.N	Particulars	Amount (NPR)
A	Opening Balance for FY 2022/23	38,993,229.23
B	Grants Received in this Year	39,075,550.73
C	<b>Total Grant Aviable (A+B)</b>	<b>78,068,779.96</b>
D	Program Expenditure	59,305,227.31
E	Administration Expenditure	4,776,391.67
F	Depreciation	8,521.21
G	<b>Total Expenditure (D+E+F)</b>	<b>64,090,140.19</b>



Staff	Number
Male	9
Female	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>



# Partners and Collaboration



## Appeal for Support

In light of the significant impact the ongoing pandemic and other global challenges have had on our resources, we kindly appeal to every individual and organization to consider supporting our mission in any way feasible.

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