



# LEARN Newsletter

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## Five-day Lead Teacher Capacity Building Workshop

LEARN has successfully organized five-day capacity building workshop for Lead Teachers and RPs at Pokhare Basic School, Pokharebagar from 13th to 17th May, 2018. 8 lead teachers and 2 resource persons were participated in the program. The lead teachers, who were attending this sort of training of LEARN for the first time, were primarily from Tatopani Resource Center and

two other clusters of Annapurna Rural Municipality. The training was primarily focused on leadership, value of profession, coordination, communication and team work. Likewise, there were great discussions over in-school support, report and success story writing, classroom observation, session planning, CAS, and lead teachers' roles and responsibilities.

## A message from chairperson

It is our immense happiness that we are able to get connected with all our donor organizations and stakeholders with this annual newsletter. Some of the important programs and activities conducted this year have been covered in this newsletter. I am very pleased to state that the continuous support we have got from our donors, government line agencies, Executive committee of LEARN, our laborious staff and, most importantly, the communities of Myagdi is praiseworthy and without such sort of support, LEARN would be worthless. At this very moment, I would like to acknowledge the support of Quality Education Nepal, Australia, Rotary Foundation Global Grant, Social Welfare Council, Department of Education, Education Development and Coordination Unit, Myagdi, District Coordination Committee, Myagdi and Rural Municipalities of Myagdi. I also express my sincere gratitude to all the stakeholders who have supported us in our journey of making progressive differences in the lives of children in rural areas of Myagdi.



## Ten-day Basic Training Second Phase, Tatopani



LEARN has been able to successfully complete its second phase of basic level training in Tatopani cluster in Myagdi. This program mainly aims at understanding and appreciating the concept of child friendly schools and managing classrooms accordingly as well as developing strategies to teach different academic subjects in child friendly and student centered ways. The training took place from 11th to 20th Dec, 2018. Altogether 62 participants attended the program out of whom 23 were male and remaining, female. The training was facilitated by LEARN trainers, Lead Teachers and Resource Person. The program has financially been supported by Rotary Global Grant (RGG).

# Five- Day ECED (Early Childhood Education & Development) Training

exhibition, group work, slide presentation, lecture, pair and group work, and panel discussion.

Participants learned new skills on different aspects of ECED and other academic as well as pedagogical



This 5 day ECED Training, organized by LEARN at Pokhare Basic School, Pokharebagar from 27th to 1st July, 2018, was primarily focused on enhancing ECED facilitators' knowledge and skills in Early Childhood Education and Development. The training was facilitated by ECED experts ranging from national to international level. The components such as

Early Childhood Education and Development offered hands on skills to practice in their classes after their return. Similarly, the coordination with stakeholders and team as well as the management of the training was highly appreciated by participants and stakeholders. Training was conducted incorporating various methods of training delivery such as songs and games, demonstration,

areas. Likewise, there were great discussions over basic concept of ECED, aspects of holistic development, how do children learn, ECED curriculum, storytelling skills, thematic approach, classroom management, materials development and use, learning assessment of children, use of ECED kit box and micro teaching and feedback mechanism.

## Six -day Refresher Training, Tatopani



LEARN has also completed Refresher Training for the basic level teachers from Tatopani Resource Center, Myagdi. The refresher training aims at improving teachers' classroom performance by reviewing the implementation aspects of 10-day basic training including its successes and challenges as well as introducing some new methods. The refresher training was conducted for 6 days, dated 4-9 September, 2017. The refresher training mainly focused on developing innovative teaching learning materials, learning skills for making classrooms resourceful, and usage of learning materials. LEARN organized the event in financial support of Rotary Foundation Global Grant Project and in coordination with District Education Office and Annapurna Rural Municipality, Myagdi.



# Five -day Refresher Teacher Training, Rima and Ghara



Two events on the Subject Wise Refresher Training conducted for the basic level teachers from Rima and Ghara Resource Centers, Myagdi aim at introducing some new methods regarding some compulsory subjects prescribed by the basic level curriculum. Both of the refresher trainings were conducted for 5 days each, dated 26-30, October 2017 at Adarsha Secondary School, Rima and 16-20 February, 2018 at Shikha Secondary School, Shikha. Those refresher trainings were mainly focused on integrating innovative teaching learning techniques, developing teaching learning materials, learning skills for making classrooms resourceful, and usage of learning materials. LEARN organized the event in financial support of Quality Education Nepal, Australia and in coordination with District Education Office and Annapurna Rural Municipality, Maygdi.

## Six -day Basic Training on Child Friendly Classroom Management & Organization, Pakhapani



LEARN has been able to successfully complete its first phase of Child Friendly Classroom Management and Organization training in Pakhapani cluster in Myagdi. The training was held from 21st -26th, June 2018. Total 68 basic level teachers were benefited from the training, out of whom 30 were male teachers and 38 were female ones. The training mainly focused on developing low cost and no cost teaching resources and classroom management. The training was facilitated by LEARN trainers and LEARN also invited the guest trainers from Resource Center. The program has financially been supported by Quality Education Nepal, Australia.

## Schools' Baseline Survey, Pakhapani

LEARN has conducted school baseline survey of all 18 schools of Pakhapani Resource Center that covers half of the area of Raghuganga Rural Municipality of Myagdi district. Among these 18 community schools, 4 are secondary level schools and the remaining, basic ones. There are altogether 118 teachers and 1239 students in these 18 schools, according to the academic year of 2017-2018.



The survey mainly outlines the current number of schools, number of students and teachers and learning achievement. It also describes the teaching learning strategies used in schools, participation of community in school activities and so on. The survey was conducted based on survey forms developed by LEARN, RC profile, school visits and interaction with stakeholders.

## Program Briefing Meeting

LEARN organized Program Briefing meeting on 9th January, 2018 at the headquarters of Annapurna Rural Municipality where overall program briefing of 1 year from June 2016 to July 2017 was presented to RM level stakeholders. For the effective recognition and transparency, it seems necessary to make strong coordination with government and non-government agencies. For the efficient and effective planning, monitoring and implementation of the designed activities as well as to tie up the LEARN policy with that of the Government's. The meeting evaluated the implemented activities and also offered opportunity to collect valuable feedback and suggestions from people representatives. Total of 35 people participated in that meeting.

## Teaching Learning Material Support Program

Teaching learning is one of the important parts of Lifting Education Program that teachers can apply immediately what they learnt in teacher training program through teaching learning materials. It is difficult to get the teaching learning materials in remote area of Myagdi due to lack of market accessibility. LEARN provided teaching learning materials to 55 schools in this year which support teachers for developing different subject wise teaching learning materials. Likewise, the organization supplied the training materials in 7 different training venues for teacher training program conduction.



In the same way, to provide assistance on proper classroom management as well as to create better teaching learning environment of classrooms and schools LEARN provided white boards to 4 schools of Rima & Ghara Clusters in this year. And, each of the 38 ECED centers was provided with ECED kit box.



## In-School Support Program and Joint Monitoring Visits

In this year, all the program impact schools were benefitted from in-school support program. LEARN completed a follow-up program from 5-9 December, 2017 and 7-14 January, 2018 (in two shifts) of 10 schools under Adarsha Secondary School Resource Centre, Rima. Likewise, LEARN completed a follow-up program of schools under Muktimarga Secondary School Resource Center, Ghara from 8 -23 November, 2017. There are 13 community schools under this RC. The activities during these visits included school and classroom

observation followed by constructive feedback, model class demonstration, Continuous Assessment System (CAS) observation and support, classroom organization and management support and so on. In the same way, joint monitoring visits conducted in every cluster with Teachers' Union leaders, Resource Persons, District Education Officer, Lead Teachers, Representatives of Rural Municipality and LEARN staff in this year and made the in school support program more fruitful.

## Program Monitoring by DoE & SWC

Program monitoring and supervision by Deputy Director of DoE Ms. ChandaThapa and Head of Training Center Kaski, Mr. Keshari Raman Neupane took place from 13-15 Feb. 2018 in Tatopani cluster. Similarly Acting Director, Mr. Pralad Pant and Finance officer Mr. Sarad Raj Baskota from Social Welfare Council visited some schools of Myagdi from 22-25 March, 2018. Those visits were fruitful in terms of better implementation of the program.



## Donor Visit

Quality Education Nepal, Australia and Rotary Foundation Global Grant are the main donor organizations that are financially supporting in LEARN's Lifting Education Program in Myagdi. Chairperson Peter Hall and Treasurer Ronda Hall from Quality Education Nepal, Australia and KB Shahi, Project Manager from Rotary Foundation Global Grant and Purna Bdr. Khadka, Chairperson of Rotary Club of Baglung visited program impact areas from 18th to 20th April 2018 for monitoring and observation in this year.

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