



IPAF PROGRESS REPORT

Partnership Agreement Number:	2101
Project Title:	Environment Conservation through Indigenous Community Empowerment (ECo-ICE)
Implementing Organization:	EcoHimal Nepal Maharajgunj-3, Kathmandu Province no. 3 General Post Box (GPO) number: 21966,
Period Covered:	September 1 – November 30, 2019



Part 1: PROJECT STATUS

Instructions: Complete the following table with the project activities covered in the reporting period. Choose a color and shade each activity (see color guidelines below). For completed activities, describe your progress with the achievements/ outputs generated (3rd column) and identify constraints faced (4th column) including actions taken to address these. For activities not implemented or delayed, identify and explain the factors contributing to the non-implementation or delay of project activities (5th column).

Activities based on the work plan	Period covered (Month)			What has been achieved to date? (How far have you achieved your indicators?)	Constraints experienced and actions taken to address constraints	Identify and explain the factors contributing to the non-implementation or delay of project activities
	1	2	3			
Grant agreement				Agreement between Tebtebba Foundation and EcoHimal Nepal conducted on 1 st September 2019.	N/A	N/A
Coordination with local, provincial and central level government and other organizations				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> project approved by the Social Welfare Council Project approval from Social Welfare Council (SWC) is in progress. Necessary documents have been submitted for approval. 	<p>Constraint: Change in approval procedures in SWC delayed in obtaining the approval</p> <p>Action taken: Documents prepared and submitted in line with the new regulations of SWC.</p> <p>Constraint: SWC requested to present internal source for self-funding of USD 11232.</p> <p>Action taken: EcoHimal Nepal carried out bi-partite agreement with The</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> SWC requested to present the budget allocated under liability of EcoHimal Nepal Coordination with local government for pre-project agreement took more than expected time due to geographical remoteness. New regulations of SWC required more documents and time.



		<p>2. an agreement is signed with the local government by beginning of October, 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An agreement has been done with the local government. (Attached as Annex 1) <p>3. at least 3 meetings each year with the local government is conducted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting with the chairperson of Bhotkhola Rural Municipality carried out. • A meeting with the ward chairperson of ward no 2 of Bhotkhola Rural Municipality carried out (Meeting minute is in Annex 2) • A communal meeting in chairpersonship of ward chair in Chepuwa village done for ICS committee formation and action plan formulation (Meeting minute is in Annex 3) • A communal meeting in chairpersonship of member of District Coordination committee carried out in Rukuma village (Meeting minute is in Annex 4) <p>Local government commits for</p>	<p>Glacier Trust (TGT), Uk for the fund under its liability and succeeded to raise fund.</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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		<p>cooperation in project implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Nepal Lhomi Society (Meeting minute is in Annex 5) Coordination with 3 local women groups for cooperation in project implementation carried out. 		
Baseline Survey and action plan preparation workshop with beneficiaries in the village.		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Baseline survey on cooking stove and environment, indoor hygiene prior to implement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baseline survey in project area completed. (Baseline survey report is in Annex 6) Action plan preparation workshop together with beneficiaries in the village. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 communal workshops – one in Chepuwa and one in Rukuma village organized and formulated monthly action plan. 	N/A	N/A
Coordinate with fabrication companies and fabrication of ICS		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> obtain at least 3 quotations from ICS fabrication companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtained 3 quotations from ICS fabrication companies – National Structures Pvt. Ltd, Nepal Yantrasala Energy and Chaitya Metal Workshop (3 quotations are in Annex 7) Quotation analyzed and selected Nepal Yantrasala Energy (NYSE) on the basis of cost-effectiveness, quality and reliability. 	N/A	N/A



			<p>(Meeting minute is in Annex 8)</p> <p>2. prepare/sign an agreement with selected company and place order for fabrication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-partite agreement with NYSE conducted and place order for fabrication (Bi-partite agreement is in Annex 9) 		
Capacity building training on installation and use of ICS			<p>1. training plans and curricula on ICS prepared and finalized in collaboration with beneficiaries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training plans and curricula on ICS use and installation has been drafted. • Project field coordinator has been oriented on proper installation and use of ICS with demonstration in factory. • 109 local people (94 female and 15 male) have been educated on ICS installation/use, benefits and its relation to the climate change. (Detail is in Annex 10) 	N/A	N/A

Color guidelines:

Green	Completed
Blue	Ongoing
Yellow	Off track/ delayed, there are problems that require change in plans.
Red	Not implemented, there are serious problems that need to be addressed.



A. What do you think were the **most significant changes** brought about by the implementation of the project?

<i>Significant Changes Observed in the following areas</i>	<i>Description of change that occurred. Please describe the earlier situation (preferably with data) and the specific change that occurred with the project intervention.</i>
Environment	N/A
Social and Cultural (including traditional knowledge)	N/A
Political including Indigenous Peoples' Traditional Systems of governance	N/A
Advancement of indigenous peoples' rights	N/A
Advocacy	N/A

Note: it is too early to see the significant changes. In this reporting period this is not applicable.

B. What **strategies/approaches, whether old, new or innovated**, have you used that you think have contributed to these significant changes identified above?

- The implementation of the project in leadership of local community influential leaders and in full participation of local community supported in realistic intervention of the project;
- Coordination, fabrication factory visits, observation and monitoring of model ICS fabrication, efficiency testing and checking the quality, providing immediate feedbacks to the fabricating company contributed in designing and fabrication of mountain feasible and cost effective ICS.
- Close coordination with local government and concerned line agencies supported the project to implement smoothly.

C. **How did the project activities contribute to advancing the status of indigenous youth, women and persons with disabilities in the community?**

The project has been implemented in indigenous community, where 100% households are of indigenous people –Tibeto-Burmese Janajatis (Lhomi/Shingsaba) people. The project is under implementation to enable indigenous people to adapt and mitigate climate change by promoting environmental awareness and providing full metallic improved cooking stoves to 136 households. Training and awareness on ICS installation, fuel wood consumption, forest conservation, indoor air pollution (IAP) and its impact on health and the environment will support to improve the status of indigenous youth and women.

Local community especially young men and women are educated on forest conservation and climate change adaptation. They are empowered to change their practice of using natural resources. Eventually, helping to adapt to climate change and improve the livelihood of local people.

Till the date;

- 94 local women have been educated on ICS installation/use, its benefits and environment conservation
- 27 (21 female and 6 male) are trained and aware about ICS benefits
- 1 Person with disabilities has been involved in the program.

Youth	Women	Persons with disabilities (PWDs)
27	94	1

Part 2: FUTURE PROGRAM OF WORK

A. Using your approved Detailed Work Plan, identify the activities for the next reporting period.

S.N	Planned Activities for the Next Reporting Period	Timelines in month		
		4 (Dec 2019)	5 (Jan 2020)	6 (Feb 2020)
1	Coordination with local, provincial and central level government and other organizations			
2	Finalization of training manuals of installation, maintenance of ICS			
3	Training plans and curricula on ICS distributed to the beneficiaries			
4	Fabrication of ICS completion			
5	Transportation of ICS to project site			
6	Education on forest conservation, degradation of high pasture forest, climate change and its relation of forest and people's daily lives and long term effect to the coming generation			
7	Awareness-raising of local people on effect of indoor air pollution, indoor hygiene and its effect in livelihood.			

B. Are there changes you want to propose in the approved Work Plan and Budget? Please justify the change/s you want to make.

S.N	Proposed Change (please identify specific item in Work plan and Budget and the proposed change/s)	Justification
1	Capacity building training on installation and use of ICS	It is planned when the ICS transported to the project area. The training with practical demonstration on installation and use could be effective than prior theoretical technical skills delivery. No such changes on work plan and budget.
2	Sensitization and empowerment of CFUGs on natural resources management and climate change mitigation and adaptation.	The initiation of campaign of sensitization and empowerment of CFUGs supposed to be postponed 2 months back (from March to May). As per the local community, most of the influential community leaders and families migrated for Kabela ¹ . So, it is wise to postpone the planned activity to involve all the targeted population. No budgetary changes.
3	Monitoring and Follow Ups of installed ICSs	No changes
4	Reviews and Feedbacks from ICSs users HHs	No changes

¹ To avoid extreme cold in winter season, most of the families move in the lowland with high-altitude medicine and do a small business for living. The system is called "Kabela" and it is difficult to meet people at home in the winter. Senior citizen and kids staying at home have difficult time during chilly winter and a better space heating could contribute their better living.

Part 3: Documentation of Activities and Processes of the Project

A. Executive Summaries of Activities

Title of Activity	Dates held	Venue	Indigenous Peoples					Others*		Objective of the Activity	Summary of the activity and discussion	Issues Raised/Emerged	Recommendations	Support document
			Male	Female	Elder	Youth		M	F					
						M	F							
Meeting with local community representatives	2076.04.15	EcoHimal Office	6	0	0	2	0	2	1	To carry out IPSSDD survey	Sharing and discussion on IPSSDD survey requirements	N/A	N/A	Meeting minute (Annex 11) Photos
Meeting with NELHOS	2076.05.26	NELHOS office	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	To make mutual understanding about project implementation jointly.	Meeting held and decisions are made for joint project implementation	N/A	N/A	Meeting minute
Meeting with Nepal Yantrasala Energy	2076.07.15	Factory office	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	Discussion on ICS fabrication and model design	Meeting carried out and discuss about cost, quality and ICS technical requirements	N/A	N/A	Photos
Meeting with National Structures Pvt. Ltd	2076.07.15	Factory office	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	Discussion on ICS fabrication and model design	Meeting carried out and discuss about cost, quality and ICS technical requirements	N/A	N/A	Photos
Meeting with ward chairperson of ward no 2 of Bhotkhola RM	2076.06.16	EcoHimal Office	2	0	0	1	0	2	1	Cooperation with local government	Discuss on declaration 2 villages "Smoke Free" ICS transportation and installation strategy	Financial cooperation if the fund became shortfall	N/A	Meeting minute
Meeting with Chairperson of Bhotkhola RM	2019.11.26	EcoHimal Office	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	Cooperation and coordination with local government	Extension of the project and covering all wards of Bhotkhola Rural Municipality to make "smoke free rural municipality" Cooperation with local government in project implementation	N/A	N/A	Photos
ICS Fabrication Company selection meeting in leadership of secretary and executive member of EcoHimal Nepal	2076.07.24	EcoHimal office	1	0	0	0	0	3	2	Selection of company for ICS fabrication	Selected Nepal Yantrasala Energy Company on the basis of cost effectiveness,	N/A	N/A	Meeting minute

Visit of factory and office of Nepal Yantrasala Energy	2019.11.12	Nepal Yantrasala Energy	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	Finalization of ICS model and conduct agreement	reliability and efficiency	Visiting the factory , testing and checking quality and efficiency (whether it's as per our requirements)	N/A	N/A	Photos
Communal meeting in Chepuwa	2076.08.07	Chepuwa	28	6	2	1	12	0	0	To form ICS and Environment conservation committee formation and action plan formulation	A nine members committee formed Action plan focusing training formulated	Late arrival of participants	N/A	Meeting minute Photos	
Communal meeting in Rukuma	2076.08.06	Rukuma	14	11	1	3	2	0	0	To form ICS and Environment conservation committee formation and action plan formulation	A nine members committee formed Action plan focusing training formulated	N/A	N/A	Meeting minute Photos	
Training on ICS installation and its benefits	2076.08.13	Rukuma	8	15	0	2	4	0	0	To aware and educate local households about ICS, its benefits and co-relation with environment conservation	One day training carried out	N/A	N/A	Minute with attendance (Annex 12) Photos	
Training on ICS installation and its benefits	2076.08.11	Chepuwa Laliguras WG	4	31	0	0	7	0	0	To aware and educate local households about ICS, its benefits and co-relation with environment conservation	One day training carried out	N/A	N/A	Minute with attendance (Annex 13) Photos	
Training on ICS installation and its benefits	2076.08.10	Chepuwa - Cyathanga WG	1	29	0	0	5	0	0	To aware and educate local households about ICS, its benefits and co-relation with environment conservation	One day training carried out	N/A	N/A	Minute with attendance (Annex 14) Photos	
Training on ICS installation and its benefits	2076.08.10	Chepuwa - Samjana WG	2	19	0	0	4	0	0	To aware and educate local households about ICS, its benefits and co-relation with environment conservation	One day training carried out	N/A	N/A	Minute with attendance (Annex 15) Photos	



B. Process Documentation

- Meeting minutes are documented
- Attendances of local people recorded
- Photos of each activity are archived
- Manual is drafted and under finalization
- Videos clips are archived
- IPSSDD baseline report prepared (**Annex 16**)
- Project specific baseline study carried out and prepared a report.