

**National Training on
Mainstreaming Gender into Disaster Risk Reduction
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"Gendering DRR in Development"

It is clear that the involvement of women and men in all areas related to disaster risk reduction is imperative, without which the loss of women lives and properties will be continued and achievement of the MDGs will be merely a dream.

The national training on mainstreaming gendering into Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) was an attempt to enhance the national capacity to design and implement successful DRR initiatives which will reduce the women's vulnerability.

The overall objective of the national training on mainstreaming Gender into DRR is to strengthen the national level capacity in DRR and the specific objectives are:

- Develop capacity of participants to understand and analyze gender dynamics between women and men in communities and the capacities and vulnerabilities of women. (Use real best practice examples to cross reference and develop new ways of working);
- Analyze the policy and practice plans of state and INGO mechanisms from a gender context and link the interventions at each stage of DM cycle (Use case studies of success stories to cross reference and develop new ways of working);
- Action plans on gendering DRR to be developed by government and INGOs participants for review in a year's time; and
- Gendering DM communities of practice (network) developed in each country.

The program was jointly organized by Ministry of Home Affairs, DPNET Nepal, UNDP and EU's support.

As participants there were twenty-seven participants from DRR related focal Ministries, NGO's, INGO's and UN System disaster and development practitioners. They have very enthusiastically participated, shared the learned lesson and equipped with more theoretical aspect of GDRR.