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Abbreviations

°C : Degree Centigrade

ADB : Asian Development Bank

CBD : Convention of Biological Diversity

CITES : Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of wild Fauna and Flora

cum : Cubic Meter

WSSDO : Water Supply and Sanitation Division Office DWSS : Department of water Supply and Sewerage

EA : Environmental Assessment

EIA : Environmental Impact Assessment
EMP : Environmental Management Plan
EPA : Environmental Protection Act

EPR : Environment Protection Regulations

GoV : Government of Nepal

HHE : Health and Hygiene Education Programs

HRF : Horizontal Roughing Filter

IEE : Initial Environmental Examination

JICA : Japanese International Cooperation Agency

km : Kilometer

MWSSSP : Mahendranagar Water Supply and Sanitation Sub-Project

lpd : Liter per daylps : Liter per second

m : Meter

MOWR : Ministry of Water Resources

MPPH : Ministry of Physical Planning and HousingMoWSS : Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation

NGO : Non-Government Organization NPC : National Planning Commission

NRs. : Nepalese Rupees

O&M : Operation and Maintenance
PAC : Public Awareness Campaign

PCO : Public Call Office
PF : Pressure Filter
Pop. : Population

PRA : Participatory Rural Appraisal

RRA : Rapid Rural Appraisal SPSO : Sub-Project Site Office

SSF : Slow Sand Filter

STWSSSP : Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project

TDF : Town Development Fund

VDC : Village Development Committee

WHO : World Health Organization

WSUC : Water Supply Users' Committee

WUSC : Water Users and Sanitation Committee

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

General

The Enhance Functionality in Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (STWSSSP) will support the government of Nepal (the Government) in improving water supply and sanitation facilities and services to 24 small towns in Nepal. Out of the 265 small towns in Nepal, Asian Development Bank (ADB) has already supported the Government, through successful implementation of earlier two projects in 50 towns. These include the 24 project for enhancement.

The outcome will be inclusive and sustainable water supply and sanitation service delivery in this Mahendranagar small town of Nepal. The project will implement improvements/ rehabilitation works within the service area of already completed project. There will be minor civil works necessary for the enhancement of the components without changing the original technical and social concepts.

The Project will be implemented in 6 months period starting around first week of November, 2015.

The project will be funded by a loan using a sector lending approach of ADB. The Executing Agency is the Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation and the implementing agency is the Department of Water Supply and Sewerage (DWSS).

The sub project IEE report was approved by government of Nepal in 2005. Now the sub project is envisaged to undergo for rehabilitation of project components such as, intake treatment plant, transmission main and distribution line etc. The proposed updated IEE is prepared as an integral part of bid document. However consultant has updated the contents of IEE report already approved from government of Nepal.

This updated IEE Report summarizes anticipated impacts and corresponding mitigation measures, monitoring and also includes cost and time frame for implementation.

In this report, all the policy, legal and administrative framework requirements of ADB including ADB Safeguard Policy and the prevailing GoN Acts/rules & regulations have been considered.

Categorization

Mahendranagar town subproject is classified as Environmental Category B as per the SPS as no significant impacts are envisioned. Accordingly this updated Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) has been prepared and assesses the environmental impacts and provides mitigation and monitoring measures to ensure no significant impacts as a result of the subproject.

Subproject Scope

The subproject is formulated under the 3STWSSSP to improve water supply and sanitation service delivery in the existing Mahendranagar water supply and sanitation project constructed during STWSSP 1. Investments under this subproject includes; (i) rehabilitation of a piped water supply system including intake, water treatment plant, transmission main, and distribution main.

Implementation Arrangements

The Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation is the executing agency. The Department of Water Supply and Sewerage (DWSS) is the implementing agency. Implementation activities will be overseen by a separate Project Management Office (PMO) which will be established in DWSS head office in Kathmandu and two Regional Project Management Offices (RPMOs) in the eastern and western region. A team of technical, administrative and financial officials, including safeguards specialists, will be provided at the PMO to implement, manage and monitor project implementation activities. The RPMOs will be staffed by qualified and experienced officers and will be responsible for the day-to-day activities of project implementation in the field, and will be under the direct administrative control of the PMO. Consultant teams are responsible for subproject planning and management and assuring technical quality of design and construction; and designing the infrastructure and supervising construction; and safeguards preparation.

Description of the Environment

Subproject components are located in Mahendranagar town area and in its immediate surroundings. There is no presence of natural habitat in this project area. The project components will be located in WUSC sites, public road rights-of-way (ROW) and outside the community managed forest and

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the protected areas. There are no protected areas, wetlands, mangroves, or estuaries in or near the subproject locations.

Environmental Management

An environmental management plan (EMP) is included as part of this IEE, which includes (i) mitigation measures for environmental impacts during implementation; (ii) an environmental monitoring program, and the responsible entities for mitigating, monitoring, and reporting; (iii) public consultation and information disclosure; and (iv) a grievance redress mechanism. A number of impacts and their significance have already been reduced by amending the designs. The EMP will be included in civil work bidding and contract documents.

Locations and sitting of the infrastructures were considered in the existing sub-project to further reduce impacts. The concepts considered in design of the subproject are: (i) demand for new piped water supply; (ii) maximum population coverage with pipe layout mostly in residential areas and areas of high growth rate; (iii) avoidance of water-use conflicts; (iv) locating pipelines within ROWs to reduce acquisition of land; (v) locating pipelines at least 10 meters from latrines, septic tanks and any main drains to avoid contamination; (vi) locating Intake point 30 m upstream from sanitation facilities; (vii) locating household and public latrines and septic tanks at least 30 meters downstream from the nearest drinking water source; (viii) piloting controlled disposal of septage in accordance to WHO and US EPA standards to reduce the likelihood of uncontrolled disposal as currently practiced; and (ix) ensuring all planning and design interventions and decisions were made in consultation with local communities and reflecting inputs from public consultation and disclosure for site selection.

During the construction phase, impacts mainly arise from the need to dispose of moderate quantities of waste soil; and from the disturbance of residents, businesses, and traffic. These are common impacts of construction in urban areas, and there are well developed methods for their mitigation. Measures such as conducting work in lean season and minimizing inconvenience by best construction methods will be employed. Traffic management will be necessary during pipe-laying on busy roads. In the operational phase, all facilities and infrastructure will operate with routine maintenance, which should not affect the environment. Facilities will need to be repaired from time to time, but environmental impacts will be much less than those of the construction period as the work will be infrequent, affecting small areas only.

Mitigation Measures

Mitigation measures have been developed to reduce all negative impacts to acceptable levels. Mitigation will be assured by a program of environmental monitoring to be conducted during construction. The environmental monitoring program will ensure that all measures are implemented, and will determine whether the environment is protected as intended. It will include observations on-and off-site, document checks, and interviews with workers and beneficiaries. Any requirements for corrective action will be reported to the ADB.

The stakeholders were involved in developing the IEE through discussions on-site and public consultation, after which views expressed were incorporated into the IEE and in the planning and development of the subproject. The IEE will be made available at public locations in the town and will be disclosed to a wider audience via the ADB and DWSS websites. The consultation process will be continued and expanded during project implementation to ensure that stakeholders are fully engaged in the project and have the opportunity to participate in its development and implementation.

The core area of the project is rural area in the ward no 3, 7,8 as well as settlements in adjoining area of the Bazzar which is newly developing (growing up) and is purely the residential area of the project and there is scattered to moderately dense settlement in this area which might be turned into dense settlement within the project duration as in-migration rate is high and there is land available for new settlement in this sections of the project. This area is growing fast and slowly converting into densely populated area. Some town planning companies are developing housing area within the project area.

The sub-project under construction is a rehabilitation project and the mitigation measures recommended in the approved IEE in 2006 have already been successfully implemented. During

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the updated IEE preparation process, all of the process mentioned above have been checked and followed. The design report has incorporated the recommended mitigation measures.

During construction phase, there are no major environmental impacts in the enhancement project. However there are minor impacts like decrease in ground Water table and water logging, chemical contamination, air and noise pollution during construction, traffic disturbances and some disturbances in household water supply distribution. In order to minimize the impacts, specific arrangements have been made in the design and incorporated in the specification of work. The contractor is responsible to follow all the instruction given by the DSC and agreed specifications.

During operational phase also, there will be no significant impacts. However there may be minor impact on water right conflict (tap distribution) and occupational health and safety of workers. These issues will be addressed by and will be the responsibility of WUSC.

Consultation, Disclosure and Grievance Redress

Public consultations were done in the preparation of the project and IEE and throughout the project implementation period of the completed project.

During the preparation of this enhancement project and updated IEE, Public consultations were done at different phases. The first consultation was done during survey and design period. Further consultation was made with the stakeholders at project site after the project design report was approved.

The consultation was focused on environmental impacts, resettlement, social issues, relocation and compensation issues.

Monitoring and Reporting

The PMO, RPMO and DSMC will be responsible for environmental monitoring. The RPMO with support from the DSMC will submit monthly monitoring reports to the PMO. The PMO will consolidate the monthly reports and will send semi-annual monitoring reports to ADB. ADB will post the environmental monitoring reports on its website.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The proposed subproject is unlikely to cause significant adverse impacts. The potential impacts that are associated with design, construction and operation can be mitigated to standard levels without difficulty through proper engineering design and the incorporation or application of recommended mitigation measures and procedures. Based on the findings of the IEE, there are no significant impacts and the classification of the subproject as Category "B" is confirmed. No further special study or detailed environmental impact assessment (EIA) needs to be undertaken to comply with ADB SPS (2009).

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

- 1. The Enhance Functionality in Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (STWSSSP) will support the government of Nepal (the Government) in improving water supply and sanitation facilities and services to 24 small towns in Nepal. Out of the 265 small towns in Nepal, Asian Development Bank (ADB) has already supported the Government, through successful implementation of earlier two projects in 50 towns. These include the 24 project for enhancement.
- 2. The Enhance Functionality in Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project (STWSSSP) will be implemented in 6months period starting around first week of November, 2015 and will be funded by a loan using a sector lending approach of ADB. The Executing Agency is the Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation and the implementing agency is the Department of Water Supply and Sanitation (DWSS).
- 3. The outcome will be inclusive and sustainable water supply and sanitation service delivery in selected small towns in Nepal. The project will implement improvements/rehabilitation works within the service area of already completed 24 projects. There will be minor civil works necessary for the enhancement of the components without changing the original technical and social concepts

1.2 Objectives of IEE

4. The updated IEE summarizes anticipated impacts and corresponding mitigation measures, monitoring and also includes cost and time frame for implementation.

1.3 Rational of IEE Requirement

5. The sub project IEE report was approved by government of Nepal in 2005. Now the sub project is envisaged to undergo for rehabilitation of project components such as, treatment plant (specific area) of transmission and distribution line. The proposed IEE is prepared as an integral part of bid document. However consultant has updated the contents of IEE report already approved from government of Nepal.

1.4 Methodology Used in Preparing IEE

- In the process of preparation of EMP, an extensive review of approved IEE and feasibility reports reviewed with some field based information
- Public consultations were held in the entire process of IEE study and during the disclosure of the draft IEE report to the local people. These processes have taken place and the results were documented. The involvement of the local people in EMP implementation activities have been recommended in EMP, 2000. Accordingly, in the process of EMP implementation, the following mechanism has been adopted to involve the local people in EMP activity:
 - Public Consultation and Involvement have been given highest priority in the implementation of Mitigation measures carried out by EMP; initially prior to the implementation, public consultation usually takes place and on the basis of decision of the consultation meeting, implementation of mitigation measures are being prioritized and carried out with the involvement of local people.
 - Monitoring is another component of EMP. Monitoring of Physical, Biological and Socio-economic components of Environment of the project is being carried out. In the process of compliance monitoring of the project construction, local people and construction workers are being involved and consulted

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2. POLICY, LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE FRAMEWORK

2.1 ADB Policy

6. All projects funded by the ADB must comply with the Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS) 2009 to ensure that projects undertaken as part of programs funded under ADB loans are environmentally sound, are designed to operate in compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, and are not likely to cause significant environmental, health, or safety hazards. With respect to the environment, the SPS 2009 is underpinned by the ADB Operations Manual, Bank Policy (OM Section F1/OP, 2010). The policy promotes international good practice as reflected in internationally recognized standards such as the World Bank Group's Environmental, Health and Safety Guidelines.1

2.2 ADB Safeguards policy

7. ADB's environmental safeguards policy principles are defined in SPS, 2009, Safeguard Requirements 1 1 and the IEE is intended to meet these requirements, Table 2-1.

Table 2-1: ADB SPS, 2009 Safeguard Requirements 1: Environment

| SPS 2009 - Safeguard Requirements | Remarks |
|---|--|
| Use a screening process for each proposed project, as early as possible, to determine the appropriate extent and type of environmental assessment (EA) so that appropriate studies are undertaken commensurate with the significance of SPS 2009 - Safeguard Requirements | REA has been undertaken (Annex A), indicating that subproject is NOT: (i) environmentally critical; and (ii) adjacent to or within environmentally sensitive/critical area. The extent of adverse impacts is expected to be local, site-specific, confined Secondary influence areas. Significant adverse impacts during construction will be temporary and short-term, can be mitigated without difficulty. There is no adverse impact during operation. Hence, IEE is sufficient. The IEE including specific description of the environment and corridor of impact will be |
| Conduct EA to identify potential direct, indirect, cumulative, & induced impacts and risks to physical, biological, socioeconomic (including impacts on livelihood through environmental media, health and safety, vulnerable groups, and gender issues), and physical cultural resources in the context of the project's area of influence. Assess potential transboundary global impacts, | IEE has been undertaken to meet this requirement. (Section VI). No transboundary& global impacts, including climate change. |
| Examine alternatives to the project's location, design, technology, and components and their potential environmental and social impacts and document the rationale for selecting the particular alternative proposed. Also | Analysis of "with-subproject "or "without subproject" is presented in Section III. |

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¹New Version of the "World Bank Group Environmental, Health, and Safety Guidelines", April 30 2007, Washington, USA. http://www.ifc.org/ifcext/enviro.nsf/C ontent/EnvironmentalGuiidelines

SPS 2009 - Safeguard Requirements Remarks Avoid, and where avoidance is not possible. An EMP has been prepared to address this minimize, mitigate, &/or offset adverse requirement. Section IX impacts and enhance positive impacts by planning of environmental management. Prepare an EMP that includes proposed mitigation measures. environmental monitoring and reporting institutional requirements, related organizational arrangements. capacity development training and measures, Carry out meaningful consultation with Key informant and random interviews have affected people & facilitate their informed been conducted (Annex C). A grievance participation. Ensure women's participation. redress mechanism for the resolution of Involve stakeholders, including affected valid projectrelated social people & concerned NGOs, early in the environmental issues/concerns is presented project preparation process & ensure that in Section VIII. their views & concerns are made known to & understood by decision makers and taken into account. Continue consultations with stakeholders throughout project implementation as necessary to address issues related to EA. Establish a GRM to receive & facilitate resolution of affected Disclose a draft IEE (including the EMP) in a The draft IEE will be disclosed on ADB's timely manner, before project appraisal, in website prior to project appraisal. Copies of an accessible place & in a form & both SPS- compliant IEE and Government of language(s) understandable to affected Nepal- approved IEE will be made available people & other stakeholders. Disclose the at the offices of the PMO, Project final EA, & its updates if any, to affected Implementation Support Unit (PISU) and people & other stakeholders. Water Users' and Sanitation Committee (WUSC) for public consultation. For the benefit of the community, the summary of the IEE will be translated in the local language and made available at (i) offices of executing and implementing agencies, (ii) area offices, (iii) consultant teams' offices; and (iv) contractor's campsites. It will be ensured that the hard copies of IEE are kept at places which are conveniently accessible to people, as a means to disclose the document and at the same time creating wider public awareness. An electronic vargion of the IEE will be placed in the official Implement the **EMP** and monitor its implementation, reporting effectiveness. Document monitoring results. disclosure of monitoring reports are in this includina the development and IEE. implementation of corrective actions, and disclose monitoring reports.

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SPS 2009 - Safeguard Requirements

Do not implement project activities in areas of critical habitats, unless (i) there are no measurable adverse impacts on the critical habitat that could impair its ability to function, (ii) there is no reduction in the population of any recognized endangered or critically endangered species, and (iii) any lesser impacts are mitigated. If a project is located within a legally protected area. implement additional programs to promote and enhance the conservation aims of the protected area. In an area of natural habitats, there must be no significant conversion or degradation, unless alternatives are not available, (ii) the overall benefits from the project substantially outweigh the environmental costs, and (iii) conversion or degradation Apply pollution prevention and technologies and practices consistent with international good practices as reflected in internationally recognized standards such as the World Bank Group's Environmental, Health and Safety Guidelines. Adopt cleaner production processes and good energy efficiency practices. Avoid pollution, or, when avoidance is not possible, minimize or control the intensity or load of pollutant emissions and discharges, including direct and indirect greenhouse aases emissions, waste generation, and release of hazardous materials from their production, transportation, handling, and storage. Avoid the use of hazardous materials subject to international bans or phase-outs. Purchase, use and manage pesticides based on Provide workers with safe and healthy working conditions and prevent accidents, injuries, and disease. Establish preventive and emergency preparedness and response measures to avoid, and where avoidance is not possible, to minimize, adverse impacts and risks to the health and safety of local Remarks

The subproject does not encroach into areas of critical habitats.

This requirement is only minimally applicable to the subproject in the aspect of waste generation, e.g., effluent from septic tanks and generated sludge and sludge disposal from water supply and sanitation structures. The subproject will not involve hazardous materials subject to international bans/phase outs.

EMP provides measures to mitigate health and safety hazards during construction and operation.

Conserve physical cultural resources and avoid destroying or damaging them by using field- based surveys that employ qualified and experienced experts during environmental assessment. Provide for the use of "chance find" procedures that include a pre-approved management and conservation approach for materials that

The subproject will not affect any physical cultural resource. The EMP recommends the measure/s to mitigate adverse impact on physical cultural resources (PCRs) in case of chance find.

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2.3 Nepal's Environmental Policy and Legal Framework

- 8. The Interim Constitution of Nepal, 2007 defines the right to live in clean environment as one of the fundamental rights of its citizens (Article 16). It prescribes for the State to give priority to the protection of the environment and prevention of its further damage due to physical development activities (Clause 5 of Article 35). Proceeding from, and conformable to, the Constitution, the Government of Nepal has passed a series of environmental laws, policies and implementing regulations and standards. Among these, the basic legislation that provides the framework within which environmental assessment is carried out in Nepal is the:
 - Environmental Protection Act (EPA), 1997 requires a proponent to undertake IEE or EIA of the proposed project and have the IEE or EIA report approved by the concerned sector agency or Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment (MoSTE), respectively, prior to implementation. The EPA: (i) sets out the review and approval process of IEE and EIA reports, that involve informing and consulting stakeholders; (ii) stipulates that no one is to create pollution that would cause significant adverse impacts on the environment or harm to public life and health, or to generate pollution beyond the prescribed standards; (iii) specifies for the Ministry in charge of environment (currently the MoSTE) to conduct inspection of approved projects to ensure that pollution prevention, control or mitigation is carried out according to the approved IEE or EIA report; (iv) provides for the protection of objects and places of national heritage and places with rare plants, wildlife and biological diversity; and (v) states that any person/party affected by pollution or adverse environmental impact caused by anybody may apply to the prescribed authority for compensation to be recovered from the polluter/pollution generator.
 - Environmental Protection Rules (EPR), 1997, and its amendments in 1999 and 2007. Defines the implementing rule and regulations of the IEE/EIA process, elaborating the provisions in the EPA. The preparation, review and approval of IEE and EIA reports are dealt with in Rules 3 to 7 and 10 to 14. Schedules 1 and 2 list down the projects of activities that are required IEE and EIA, respectively, as amended in 2007.
 - Other environmental and core labor policies, laws and rules that are relevant to the subproject are presented in Table 2-2.

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Table 2-2: Other Relevant Environmental and Core Labor Policies, Laws and Guidelines of Nepal Applicable to the Subproject,

| Policy/Law/Guideline | Year | Relevant Provisions | Remarks |
|----------------------|------|--|--|
| Resources Act | 1992 | Comprehensive law on the development, use and conservation of water resources in Nepal, it aims to minimize damage to water bodies by requiring the conduct of IEE & preparation of IEE Report before granting license to use water resources for any purpose. | Government of Nepal environmental assessment report will be prepared based on this IEE. |
| | | Proponents shall make sure that the beneficial use of water resources does not cause damage to other water uses/users (Article 4). | The source is groundwater to be drawn from the deep aquifer. Prevailing water source is the shallow aquifer and water drawn has Mn, Fe, Al and coliform levels exceeding National Drinking Water Quality Standard (NDWQS). Hence, people are eager to be connected to piped water supply system. |
| | | Article 17 requires proponents to apply for any necessary land acquisition accordingly; | Site for the intake well, treatment unit, overhead tank is government land (Dept. of Forest). |
| | | Article 18 requires the compliance to quality standards in making use of water resources. Article 19 prohibits the pollution of water resources. Under the Act are two regulations for drinking water purposes: (i) Water Resources Regulation, 1993, setting out the implementation procedures for the Act; and (ii) the Drinking Water Regulation, 1998, which specifies compliance with the drinking water quality standards and control of water pollution (or sanitation) as it affects drinking water. | Environmental Management Plan prescribes the compliance with NDWQS and its Directives during operation. |
| Labor Act | 1992 | Chapter 5 stipulates health and safety provisions at work places, keeping work premises clean and safe, e.g., (i) with provisions for solid waste, sewage and hazardous substance management; (ii) instituting measures to prevent dust, fumes and other impure materials that would adversely affect health; (iii) with supply of potable water and water for emergency situations; (iv) with arrangements for the use of protective devices and wears; (v) with fire safety arrangements; and (vi) measures for protection from hazardous machines/equipment and from physical injury or harm from lifting of heavy weights. | EMP provides measures to mitigate workers' health and safety hazards. |

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| Policy/Law/Guideline | Year | Relevant Provisions | Remarks |
|---|------|---|--|
| Forest Act | 1993 | The Act prohibits the extraction of boulders, rocks, pebbles, sand or coilfrom national forests, defined as all forests, excluding private forests, whether marked or unmarked with forest boundary, to include waste or uncultivated lands, or unregistered lands surrounded by the forest or situated near adjacent forests as well as paths, streams rivers, lakes, riverine lands within the forest. | Subproject will not impact on any forest. EMP stipulates no illegal quarrying of natural aggregate materials. |
| National Environmental Policy and Action Plan (NEPAP) | 1993 | Of its five objectives, most relevant to the Project are to: (i) mitigate adverse environmental impacts; and (ii) safeguard national & cultural heritage & preserve biodiversity, within & outside protected areas. | Subproject will not impact on physical cultural heritage & biodiversity. EMP provides measures to mitigate impacts. |
| National Water Supply and Sanitation Policy | 1998 | The Policy requires the: (i) monitoring of water quality supplied by completed WSS projects; and (ii) evaluation of their benefits in improving health (e.g., reducing water-borne diseases) and in relieving the sufferings of women and other disadvantaged groups in carrying out their responsibilities over water collection and maintenance of sanitation and hygiene. | Monitoring of the quality of supplied water is prescribed in the EMP following the NDWQS Directives. |
| Drinking Water Rules | 1998 | The Rules: (i) gives the procedure for the settlement of dispute on use of water sources; (ii) requires water supplier to maintain the quality of water as prescribed in the Water Resources Act; (iii) prohibits water supplier to construct structures and conduct activities that would pollute the water source and cause significant adverse effect on the environment. | Monitoring of the quality of supplied water is prescribed in the EMP following the NDWQS Directives. |
| Local Self-Governance Act | 1999 | The Act gives Local Government the functions, duties & powers to: (i) conserve & protect their local environment & natural resources; (ii) plan, implement &/or operate & maintain local WS projects; (iii) implement or arrange for implementation local sanitation/sewerage & drainage projects; (iv) protect cultural heritage & religious sites; &/or (v) monitor project activities within their respective jurisdictions. | Provides basis for Local Government to monitor the environmental performance of the subprojects. EMP provides the responsibilities of Local Governments (LGs) in EMP implementation. |
| National Urban Policy | 2007 | Policy gives importance to environment conservation while carrying out urban development works and natural resource use; thus, supporting the required environmental conservation and protection in donor-assisted development projects. | Government of Nepal Government of Nepal environmental assessment report, based on this IEE, will be prepared to ensure environmental conservation and protection. |

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| Policy/Law/Guideline | Year | Relevant Provisions | Remarks |
|---|------|--|--|
| National Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Policy | 2008 | The Policy requires the IEE or EIA of proposed WSS projects in accordance with the EPA/EPR to: (i) incorporate consultations with key stakeholders, including end-point users; & (ii) specify measures to mitigate environmental impacts prior to, during construction & operation, as well as corrective measures. | Government of Nepal environmental assessment report will be prepared based on this IEE. This ADB IEE will be submitted to ADB for review and approval. |
| Implementation Directives for the National Drinking Water Quality Standards | 2005 | It sets out the water sampling, testing, analysis, monitoring and surveillance procedures to certify that the quality of supplied drinking water conforms to the National drinking Water Quality Standards. | Monitoring of the quality of supplied water is prescribed in the EMP following the NDWQS Directives. |
| Updated 15-Yr Development Plan for Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector | 2009 | The Plan defines the population threshold of "small towns" to be in the range of 5,000 to 40,000. Reference to Schedules 1 and 2 of the EPR, as amended in 2007, places water supply projects in small towns under Schedule 1 or within the threshold of water supply projects requiring only an IEE. The Plan emphasizes monitoring and evaluation as an important component of a project to determine the overall impact of a project. | EMP prescribes environmental effects and performance monitoring. |
| Solid Waste Management Act | 2011 | Article 4 provides that the management of hazardous, medical, chemical or industrial waste rests upon the generators of such wastes. Management should be as prescribed in the Act. Article 5 provides that individuals and entities have the duty to reduce the amount of solid waste generated while carrying out work or business. | EMP prescribes eco- friendly management of solid and hazardous wastes. |

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- 9. The key Government of Nepal environmental quality standards are: (i) National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nepal, 2003; (ii) National Noise Standard Guidelines, 2012; and (iii) National Drinking Water Quality Standards, 2006, which would also be applied to surface and ground water quality monitoring since these resources are used for drinking.
- 10. Nepal is party to the following international environmental agreements that have broad relevance to works and environmental assessment of works under the project: (i) World Heritage Convention, in 1978; (ii) Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat (Ramsar Convention), in 1987; (iii) Convention on Biodiversity, in 1992, (iv) Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and its Montreal Protocol and subsequent London Amendment, in 1994, and (v) Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal, in1996.
- 11. The relevance of the aforementioned environmental agreements to the subproject are on their emphasis for human activities (such as development projects) to: (i) take on/institute measures to protect the local, as well as global, natural resources and/or environment; (ii) prevent and/or reduce the causes of climate change; and (ii) anticipate and mitigate the adverse impacts of climate change. The country is also committed to the Millennium Development Goals (MDG), the seventh goal of which is to "ensure environmental sustainability" targeting the reverse of loss of forest and environmental resources, reduction of biodiversity loss, and increase in the proportion of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation.

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3. ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES

3.1 Alternatives considered in the approved IEE report 2006

- 12. A number of alternatives are identified and analyzed for the proposed water supply and sanitation project. Alternatives regarding the sources, available technologies, sittings of different system components, service levels, period of construction etc. are taken into consideration. Analysis for no action scenario has also been dealt to signal out the importance of the proposed project. The alternative listed below provides a basis for taking decision on whether: The proposal should move forward for implementation to the project stakeholders.
- 13. Mahendranagar continues to attract in-migration due to the availability of land for new settlement and other socio-economic opportunities. As it grows denser, the challenge of having to meet the water supply and sanitation needs of its residents becomes more significant

3.1.1 Without-subproject' or 'do-nothing' alternative

14. Doing nothing about this challenge would be allowing the Mahendranagar Town to further develop as "under- serviced", the health of its residents and the general public at more risks, and its living environment, unsustainable. This would impede: (i) sustainable social and economic development of Mahendranagar Town; and (ii) Nepal's delivery of its commitment to MDG7 to increase the proportion of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation.

3.1.2 With subproject' alternative

- 15. With the Subproject, over 5,000 Mahendranagar households and its constituent institutions and businesses will no longer be deprived of access to safe, potable water. As a result, good hygiene and sanitation practices will be promoted; there will be reduced health and safety risks. Overall, the 'with subproject alternative' will bring about enhanced public health and living environment that will contribute to improved quality of life in Mahendranagar Town. There will be indirect benefits to VDCs surrounding Mahendranagar. Improved water supply and sanitation will create an enabling environment for local economic development and improved social services that communities within the sphere of influence of the Town will benefit from; thus, contributing to overall local economic development of the Sunsari District.
- 16. The 'with subproject' alternative will contribute to the realization of the Updated 15-Yr Development Plan for Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Sector and to the delivery of Nepal's commitment to MDG7.

3.2 Alternatives for the Updated IEE

- 17. The water supply system for the town of Mahendranagar was constructed several years before under STWSSP 1, funded by ADB. The project is in operation at present. The WUSC is the operating agency. The project had anticipated a 24 hour service and water quality standards within the NDWQS. After a few years of operation, it was observed that this anticipation was not fulfilled due to some problems. The problems were observed both in technical as well as social and institutional field. Therefore some enhancement measures were necessary. This project is designed to cater for such enhancement works.
- 18. IEE had been carried out in accordance with the prevailing rules and regulations of ADB and the GoN incorporating the alternatives like "without –sub project or do nothing" and "with subproject" was carried out in 2006.
- 19. As such, alternatives for the water supply project have not been studied in the design report.

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4. DESCRIPTION OF SUBPROJECT

4.1 The Study Area

- 20. The project area is situated in Bhimdutta Municipality of Kanchanpur district of MahakaliZone which lies in the Far-Western Development Region. Geographically the project area lies in latitude 28°55'0" N and longitude 80°20'0" E and altitude 197m from mean sea level (MSL). Kathmandu is about 700 kilometers from Mahendranagar and the Indian border and River Mahakali lie only 5 kilometers from it. The population in Mahendranagar city is around 27548 approximately. The area surrounding the city serves as the home ground of the Tharu people primarily. The city is located in the Kanchanpur district of Nepal and acts as its headquarters. Mahendranagar in Nepal also serves as the chief business center of Nepal's Mahakali Zone.
- 21. The city is connected to the rest of Nepal through bus route. The domestic airport at Mahendranagar connects the city with Kathmandu by its air services. Cities and towns like Patia, Dobala, Bandi, Joriapani and Asiana lie close to Mahendranagar. The airports close to Mahendranagar include Pantnagar and Pithorgarh(India). The East West National Highway passes through the project area and there is daily bus service from the Major towns of the country.
- 22. The general nature of the climate of the project area is sub-tropical. The average minimum and maximum temperatures during summary fluctuates between 35° C & 43° C and in winter season it is found in the range of 5° C to 19° C. The relative humidity is in the range of 84-87 %. The average annual rainfall estimated is approximately 2377mm.
- 23. The core area of the project is rural area in the ward no 3, 7,8 as well as settlements in adjoining area of the Bazzar which is newly developing (growing up) and is purely the residential area of the project and there is scattered to moderately dense settlement in this area which might be turned into dense settlement within the project duration as in-migration rate is high and there is land available for new settlement in this sections of the project. This area is growing fast and slowly converting into densely populated area. Some town planning companies are developing housing area with in the project area.

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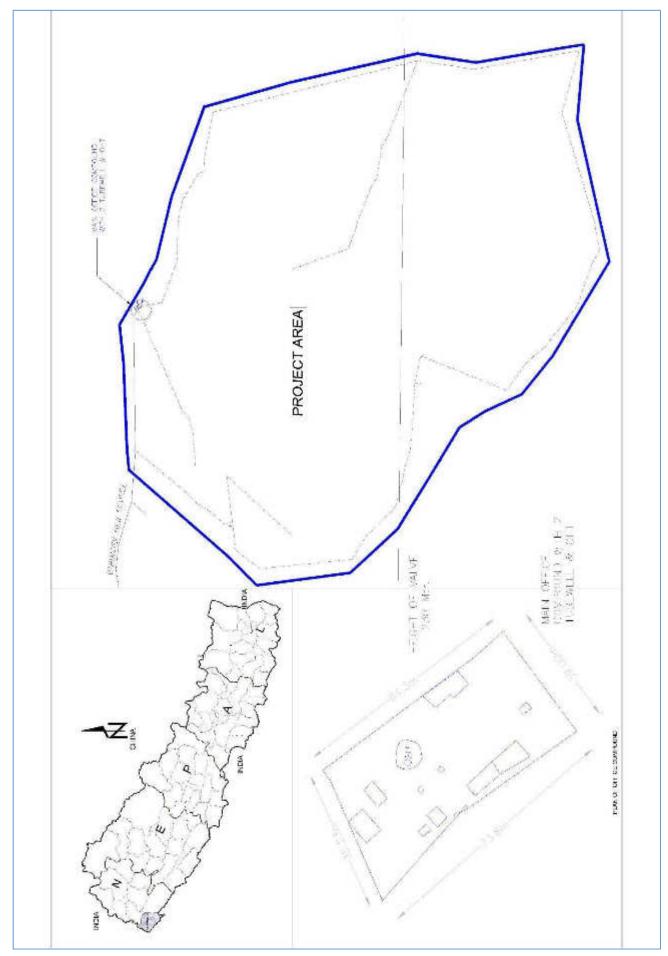


Figure 4-1: Location of the project Area

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4.2 Existing Condition and Need for the Subproject

- 24. The sub-project includes the following works;
 - i. Maintenance of 800 m³ ground reservoir
 - ii. 12.5 km of pipe line laying
 - iii. Construction of Chlorination unit

The technical details are shown in Table 4-1.

4.2.1 General Information

1. Name of the Project : Enhance Functionality in Small Town Water Supply and

Sanitation Sector Project

2. Name of Sub-project : Mahendranagar Small Town Water Supply & Sanitation

Project, Kanchanpur

3. Service Area of the Project : Ward Nos 3,6,7 and 8 of Bhimdatta Municipality

4.Total Project Cost : NRs 42,910,500

I. Water Supply Component: NRs 42,910,500

4.2.2 Technical Information

25. Details of technical information are mentioned in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1: Technical Details

| S. No. | Name of structure | Existing | Additional | Total |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | No. and capacity of Reservoirs: | 1(450 cum) | | 2(800 cum) |
| 2 | Treatment Facilities | PF I unit (32 lps) | Ion Exchange I unit 32 lps | 1 unit 32 lps |
| 3 | Pipeline Length: | | | |
| 3.1 | Transmission | 0.2 km | 0.1 km | 0.3 Km |
| 3.2 | Distribution | 65 km | 5.0 km (Replace 9.7 km, | 70.0Km |
| | | | clean 2.8 km, total 17.5 km) | |
| 3.3 | Total | 65.2 Km | 5.1Km | 70.3 Kms |
| 4 | Guard House | 1 | None | 1 |
| 5 | Generator / Operator House | 1 | None | 1 |
| 6 | Chlorination Unit with lab | None | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | Office Building: | One | None | One |
| 8 | Surface Intake/Borehole Drilling: | TW 2 | TW 1 | TW 3 |
| 9 | Fire hydrant | None | None | None |

| Sr. No. | Description | Existing (2014) | Design year (2022) | Design year (2030) |
|---------|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 10 | Household connection | 3,112 | 3,867 | 4,804 |
| 10.1 | Fully plumbed | 1,805 | 2,862 | 4,324 |
| 10.2 | Yard connection | 1,307 | 1,005 | 480 |
| 10.3 | Community | 20 | 23 | 29 |
| 10.4 | Institutional | 18 | 23 | 27 |
| 10.5 | Total | 3,150 | 3,913 | 4,860 |
| 11. | Total Water Demand | | | |
| 11.1 | MLD | 2.46 | 3.23 | 4.23 |
| 11.2 | LPS | 28.5 | 37.4 | 49 |

4.2.3 Socio- Economic Information

1. Total Household Number and Population (Pop.)

a) Present year (2014): 3,112/22,500 b) Design year (2022): 3,867/27,954 c) Design year(2030): 4,804/34,729

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4.2.4 Financial Information

1. The financial planning for the enhancement project is as follows;

i. Total investment 100%ii. Government: Grant 70%

- iii. WUSC Contribution: 5 10% of total investment as cash (% to be decided later)
- iv. TDF Loan: 20 25% of total investment to be provided to the WUSC (% to be decided later)
- 2. Weighted Average Tariff NRs 36 per cum
- 3. Cost Per Capita and per household

| Description | Base year 2014 | Design Year 2022 | Design Year 2030 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Cost per Capita | 2,477.37 | 1,893.00 | 1,446.50 |
| Cost per House hold connection | 13,788.72 | 11,096.59 | 8,932.24 |

4.3 Sub Project Construction Schedule

26. It is expected that the contract will be awarded by the last week of November 2015 and the construction work will be completed by the last week of May 2016. The detail of work is shown in Figure 4-2.

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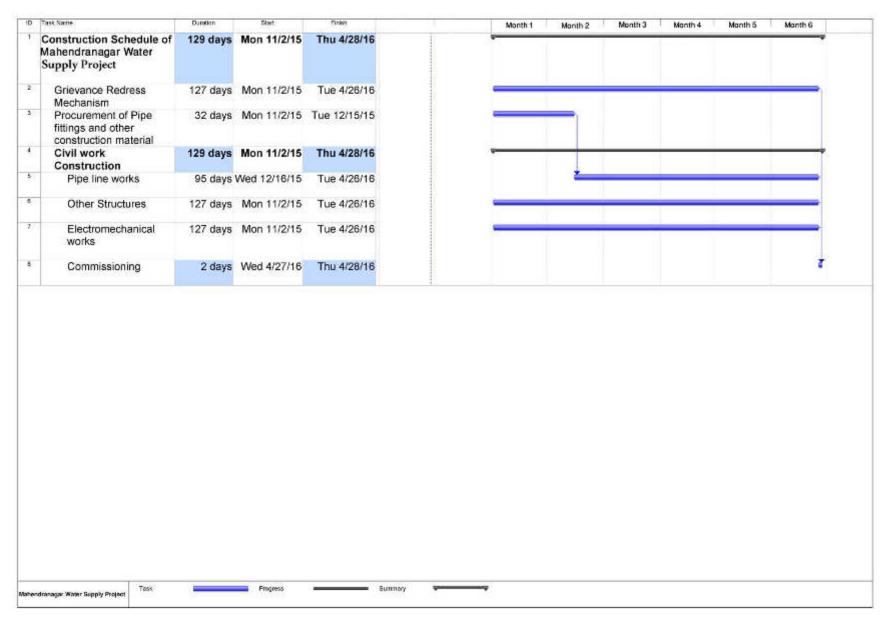


Figure 4-2: Construction Schedule

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5. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

5.1 Physical Profile

5.1.1 Topography

- 27. The project area is situated in Bhimdutta Municipality of Kanchanpur district of MahakaliZone which lies in the Far-Western Development Region. Geographically the project area lies in latitude 28°55'0" N and longitude 80°20'0" E and altitude 197m from mean sea level (MSL). Kathmandu is about 700 kilometers from Mahendranagar and the Indian border and River Mahakali lie only 5 kilometers from it. The population in Mahendranagar city is around 27548 approximately. The area surrounding the city serves as the home ground of the Tharu people primarily. The city is located in the Kanchanpur district of Nepal and acts as its headquarters. Mahendranagar in Nepal also serves as the chief business center of Nepal's Mahakali Zone.
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5.1.2 Geology and Soils

29. Mahendranagar lies in the TeraiPlain at altitude 91 to 108 m above mean sea level. It has a nearly flat, gently sloping terrain. Mahendranagar lies on boulder, hard formation, with shallow water level. Alluvial/loam, soft soil and calcareous beds together with colluvial deposit and thin soil layer mixed with gravel are predominant in this area. Acidic soil is usually found in the forest area. The main four orders of soil are entisols, inceptisols, mollisols, and alfisols. The areas around the borehole compounds are stable without any apparent occurrence of landslides.

5.1.3 Climate

30. The general nature of the climate of the project area is sub-tropical. The average minimum and maximum temperatures during summary fluctuates between 35° C & 43° C and in winter season it is found in the range of 5° C to 19° C. The relative humidity is in the range of 84-87 %. The average annual rainfall estimated is approximately 2377mm.

5.1.4 Surface and Groundwater

31. The Mahendranagar Water Supply Sub-project uses ground water source. The design discharge of deep tube well is adopted as 32 lps and 22 lps, whereas tapped yield is 25 and 17.857 lps respectively in each. These TWs are being operated generally at day time. Average pumping hour considering both the TWs is about 16lps. Load shedding by NEA has affected the water production. The diesel generator though available, is seldom used.

| S.No | Name of Source | Design discharge (lps) | Present (lps) | Remarks |
|------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|---------|
| 1 | TW-1 | 32 | 25 | |
| 2 | TW-2 | 22 | 20 | |
| | Total | 54 | 45 | |

32. The present average production from ground water source is only about 45 lps out of the design yield of 54 lps.

5.1.5 Water Quality Analysis

- 33. In the enhancement project additional units of SSF and Chlorination are proposed. The detail analysis of the water quality report is presented in Annex 2 of this report.
- 34. Water quality analysis were done for all critical sub project components such as intake, water before and after treatment plant. Samplings were also done in the distribution networks as well as randomly selected HHs taps to assure the quality. Mainly Physical component testing was

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done as pH, Turbidity, Electrical conductivity temperature. Similarly the various chemical components were also tested mostly like Calcium, Iron, Magnesium, Arsenic, Ammonia, Chromium, Nitrate, Sulphate, Chloride, Fluoride and Total Hardness as well.

35. In biological mainly parameter like Total Coliform and Fecal Coliform were tested for. If any contamination is encountered simultaneously the chlorination unit, pressure filter unit, slow sand filter treatment units should be provided. In case of this Water supply sub project due to the presence of Coliform, SSF and Chlorination units are constructed and now functioning.

5.2 Ecological Profile

5.2.1 Flora

36. NaturalSalforestispredominantintheDistrictKhayarSisso(DalbergiaSisso),BeteInut(Arecacatec hu),Bamboo(Bambusavulgaris),Kadam(Anthrocephaluschinensis),Peepal(Ficusreligiosa),Amp/Mang o(MagniferaIndica),Simalarecommon speciesfoundin the subproject toservicesarea.Varietiesofplantspiecesthatare of medicinalimportanceandalsoprotected under theForestAct,1992,arenotavailableinthis area.

5.2.2 Fauna

37. Wildanimals foundinMahendranagararefox(Canisaurens), rabbit (LepusNigricollis), Monkey (Primatesspp), among others, Birdssuchas Crow (Corvussplendens), Peacock(HubaropsisBengalensis), Hutityau(Tringahypoleucos), Sparrow(Passerdomesticcus), Pigeon(Columbalivia), Bakula, Parrot(Cacatuasp.) arefound in the subproject orservicearea.

5.2.3 Protected Areas

38. There areno protectedareas, wetlands, mangroves, or estuaries within the subproject or service area

5.3 Socio Economic Condition

5.3.1 Population, Communities and Occupation

39. The total population of the village is around 104,599 with 20,684 households. The proposed service area covers only 22,500 population and 3,112 households which is 15.05% of the total households and 21.51% of the total population.

5.3.2 Health and Sanitation

- 40. Deteriorating water quality, unsanitary condition and lack of personal hygiene are often blamed for the prevalence of water borne diseases. Diseases like diarrhea and dysentery are the most common in VDC and other diseases like skin irritation; infection and coughing etc are also common. Besides tuberculosis, encephalitis and malnutrition were reported during field observation. There is one health post in the project area to treat ordinary diseases. Lack of medicines and technical health workers at local area, it has become very difficult for local.
- 41. The sanitary situation of the project area is moderate. The main commercial area of Mahendranagar and bazaar is located in ward no. 1, 2 and 7.out of total households, 57.75% of the household have toiled facilities within the project area. Pour flush and vented improved pit latrines with ring water seal slab are the common types of latrines in the project area. There is only one Public toilet with 5 rooms in the vegetable stalls of MahendranagarVDC, which is maintained by VDC itself. The households without toiled facilities use both side of the road and bank of a river for defecation. Mahendranagar is the nodal point, which has the way to head towards Sindhuli, Jaleshwor, Janakpur and Kathmandu.
- 42. In the market area, the majority households have their own latrines. The situation is different in other residential areas where few households have their own latrines. As a whole, have access to latrine facilities. Rest of the population practices open defecation at nearby fields, forests and bank of local streams. The only one Leprosy hospital is available on the neighbor Lalgadh VDC. Few medical facilities are available in Mahendranagar bazaar. The municipality are doing very little effort for the management of waste products. The municipality has appointed sweeper to clean, collect and dispose the waste especially only in the core market area of Mahendranagar municipality which

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is disposed in the nearby jungle. The people out of the market area, keeping livestock and animal husbandry, dispose it individually.

43. There is no authority to handle solid waste problems in an organized way. Individual dispose their own solid wastes separately. However, to keep the commercial area clean, a sweeper is hired on monthly basis to collect, sweep and dispose the waste products. Solid wastes are dumped in jungle and along the highway. The existing sanitation situation of household is satisfactory. Road and foot trails are also relatively clean.

5.3.4 Economic Characteristics

5.3.4.1 Industries

44. There are no major industries established in the both Gauribas and Mahendranagar VDCs but some hotels, lodges and small-scale cottage industries exist in the main Mahendranagar Bazaar.

5.3.4.2 Agricultural Development

45. The land is fertile for agriculture and the rate of production is good. The main crops are paddy and maize. Two crops of paddy or one each of paddy and maize are planted in a year. Besides wheat, oilseeds, pulses are grown here. Cultivation of vegetables including off seasonal is conducted commercially. Tea gardens have been established in the eastern part of the area and are substantial.

5.3.4.4 Mineral Development

46. There is no mineral development in the area.

5.3.5 Infrastructure Facilities

5.3.5.1 Water Supply and Drainage

47. Present water supply facility in Mahendranagar VDC mostly constitutes private shallow hand pumps. The majority of households have pump installed inside their compound. Likewise, only the limited drainage facilities were constructed along the side of highway in Mahendranagar. Therefore the existing condition of drainage system is open type and very poor in condition, which was found to be clogged with debris type.

5.3.5.2 Institutions

48. Offices, schools, hotels, lodges are available in Mahendranagar VDC. There is at least one primary level school in each ward and in the VDC there are three high schools, one 10+2 school and one campus which teaches up to Bachelor level is also established in ward no 5.

5.3.5.3 Transportation

49. Since the Mahendranagar VDC is linked with East-West highway, the village has good transportation facility. The gravel road is also found in north-south axis for transporting products and for other purposes.

5.3.6 Land Use Planning

50. There is no scientific land use planning at the moment. However, existing land use can be divided as: agricultural, residential/commercial, forest, institutional/public etc.

5.3.7 Quality of Life Values

51. The Project is not expected to adversely affect any cultural or recreational resources but will increase the existing quality of life values due to the improvement in personal, household and community hygiene practices and community health.

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5.4 Resettlement, Relocation and Compensation Issue

- 52. The various project components do not require resettlement of households or relocation. The system network has followed public property line and hence the issue of resettlement or relocation is not evident. The minutes of stakeholder consultation meeting also suggests that there is no need of resettlement or relocation.
- 53. The land required for construction of treatment plant and reservoir has been purchased by the WUSC and there is no need to provide compensation from the project side.

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6. DESCRIPTION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

54. No significant impacts of project construction and operation were anticipated (IEE, 2005), but the following impacts were likely to occur. The project is now in operational phase and that all the physical and biological and socio-economic cultural impacts have been mitigated. In the enhancement project as well the same type of impacts are likely to occur.

6.1 Physical Environment

Physical Impact covers impacts on physical resources such as air, water, soil, rocks etc. The positions of a water table keep on fluctuating up and down in relation to wet and dry weather. Porous sand and gravel aquifers yield more water than silt or clay deposits. Hence physical testing of soil structure will help understanding the water availability.

6.1.1 Impact on Land Use Pattern

56. Intake structure, reservoir and treatment plant would require some land area in addition to permanent site to facilitate construction activities, which is envisaged to alter the land use during construction period. The implications of such land use may affect on soil, productivity and land use pattern.

6.1.2 Flooding and Stagnant Water Problem

57. During monsoon season the project area will be affected from flooding and may create the condition of stagnant water. Absence of drainage system in the project area will create flooding problems. This might create public health problem due to increase in number of vector species like mosquito, snails and others.

6.1.3 Impact on Water/Land Quality

58. Excavation and construction spoils are the major outcomes of construction activity. Besides, the workforce camps and their sanitary behavior might produce unwanted waste materials. The spoils and waste materials may have adverse implications on adjoining water sources.

6.1.4 Impacts of Sediments and Disinfecting Chemicals

59. Issues like release of sediments from treatment plants, and the use of disinfecting chemicals might affect the water quality. Such effects are minor in nature and can be easily mitigated during the operational phase.

6.1.5 Water Volume/Quality

60. Over extraction water may decrease the volume of water and improper treatment of water also decrease the quality of water which may arise issues affecting the ground water sources of water.

6.1.6 Impacts on Air Quality

61. Dust will be generated from inadequately managed or haphazard: (i) earthworks such as clearing, grubbing, excavations and drilling; (ii) demolition works; (iii) stockpiling of natural aggregates, excavated materials and spoils; (iii) transport, loading and unloading of natural aggregates; (iv) movement of construction-associated vehicles; and (v) on-site rock crushing, cement mixing/concrete batching, borrowing. The significance of dust impact will be high in the bazaar area where more population reside and work and where urban socio-economic activities concentrate. Increase in concentration of vehicle- and process related pollutants will arise from the movement and operation of construction vehicles, equipment and hot-mix plants.

6.1.7 Impacts on Acoustic Environment

62. Noise and vibration emitting construction activities include earthworks, rock crushing, concrete mixing, movement and operation of construction vehicles and equipment, and loading and unloading of coarse aggregates. The significance of noise and vibration impacts will be high in areas where noise-sensitive institutions such as health care and educational facilities are situated. These impacts will be temporary and short term.

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6.1.8 Impacts on Traffic and Temporary disturbance

63. During construction phase, implementation of distribution network pipeline will create disturbance to local transport system. The significant impact will be seen in market and busy area only. These impacts will be temporary and short term.

6.2 Biological Environment

6.2.1 Impact on Natural Vegetation and Ecology

64. The natural vegetation and ecology of the project area may be disturbed due to construction activities of the different project components. Besides, the activities of workforce on the adjoining forest may affect the habitat of wildlife.

6.2.2 Impact on Aquatic Life

65. The source being ground water no impact on aquatic life is envisaged due to implementation of the project

6.2.3 Loss of Habitat

66. Clearance of vegetation along the bulk distribution pipeline, and trunk transmission pipeline, may result loss of some forested habitat of wild life and consequently affect the endangered species.

6.3 Socio-Economic and Cultural Environment

67. Many of the adverse impacts on socio-economic and cultural aspects will be limited to construction stage. The following socio-economic issues have been considered in IEE.

6.3.1 Land Acquisition

68. The land required for the construction of permanent facilities has been managed by WUSC and no disputes are observed. Similarly there is no necessity of relocation or resettlement

6.3.2 Outside Work force Conflict/Health/Pollution/Culture

69. Involvement of outside workforce in the local area may initiate conflict between the locals and outsiders due to cultural reasons. Disease transmission, pollution and competition for the available resources with outsiders might arise.

6.3.3 Workers' Health and Safety Hazards

70. Like communities, workers will also be exposed to the cross-cutting threats of the aforementioned impacts during construction. Inadequate supply of safe/potable water and inadequate sanitation facilities; poor sanitation practices on site; poor housing conditions; the handling and operation of construction equipment; handling of hazardous substances; exposure to extreme weather and nonobservance of health and safety measures, pose additional threats to the health and safety of construction workers. Construction workers may also be potentially exposed to communicable and transmittable diseases in the community and in the workforce.

6.3.4 Water Right Conflict

71. Involvement of outside workforce in the local area may initiate conflict between the locals and outsiders due to cultural reasons. Disease transmission, pollution and competition for the available resources with outsiders might arise.

6.4 Beneficial Impacts

- 72. However there are some benefits of the project implementation; particularly on the following:
 - Increase in agricultural and livestock products
 - Employment generation
 - Maintaining the health and sanitation activities
 - Increase in quality of life values
 - Change in cropping pattern

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7. DESCRIPTION OF MITIGATION MEASURES

7.1 Physical Environment

7.1.1 Impact on Land Use Pattern

73. The STWSSSP is located in Bhimdatta Municipality in the private land of about 2 Ropanis owned by the WUSC and with boundary wall constructed. It owns land for other structures like TWs, OHT, WTP and others (both existing and to be constructed in the enhancement project). It was ensured in design, that the TWs and other water retaining structures like, TWs, WTP, OHT and others are well protected with good drainage to be located on stable ground. Therefore, the project implementation would have less or no effect on soil, productivity and on the land use pattern.

7.1.2 Flooding and Stagnant Water Problem

74. Proper management of drainage system needs to be improved. Contractor should be instructed not to store construction materials along the water ways.

7.1.3 Water/land Quality

75. The project uses sub surface water that will be taken from below the water bed of the river by using infiltration gulley technique. Therefore the quality of water is expected to be clean. However the pollution in the surface water may have negative effect. The intake point is upstream from the settlement area and hence external pollution is also not foreseen. Therefore there is ground water pumping, there is less or minimum effect on water quality. Proper drainage system should be made to avoid water logging and the quality of water sources should be protected. Urination, defecation and dumping of solid and liquid waste in open areas, and water ways may be the potential cause of the pollution of surface and sub-surface water and such activities should be strictly prohibited.

7.1.4 Impacts of Sediments and Disinfecting Chemicals

76. The water quality should be maintained within WHO/NDWQS standards. Filtration and chlorination should be provided to bring the water quality to acceptable levels. Similarly, a manual on water testing and chlorine dosing should be prepared and provided to WUSC.

7.1.5 Water Volume

77. The water should be equally distributed to all the users in a controlled way. The amount of water that required should only be extracted.

7.1.6 Impacts on Air Quality

78. Some mitigation measures include: (i) confining earthworks according to a staking plan and excavation segmentation plan that should be part of the working documents and/or C-EMP; (ii) watering of dry exposed surfaces and stockpiles of aggregates at least twice daily, as necessary; (iii) if re-surfacing of disturbed roads cannot be done immediately, spreading of crushed gravel over backfilled surfaces; (iv) during demolition, watering of exterior surfaces, unpaved ground in the immediate vicinity and demolition debris; (v) hoarding active work sites in populated areas; (vi) requiring trucks delivering aggregates and cement to have tarpaulin cover and maintain a minimum of 2' freeboard; (vii) limiting speed of construction vehicles in access roads and work sites to maximum of 30 kph; and (viii) providing pollution controls in batching and hot-mix plants.

7.1.7 Impacts on Acoustic Environment

79. Some mitigation measures include: (i) using equipment that emit least noise, well maintained and with efficient mufflers/exhaust silencers; (ii) restricting noisy activities to daytime and overtime work to avoid using noisy equipment; (iii) limit engine idling to a maximum of 5 minutes; (iv) spread out schedule of material, spoil and waste transport (v) minimizing drop heights when loading and unloading coarse aggregates; and (vi)Identify any buildings at risk from vibration damage and avoiding any use of pneumatic drills or heavy vehicles in the vicinity. Complete work in these areas quickly.

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7.1.8 Traffic and Temporary disturbance

80. Some mitigation measures include: (i) distribution pipeline work will be done during night time, (ii) diversion need to be made if work is of long duration.

7.2 Biological Environment

7.2.1 Impact on Natural Vegetation and Habitat

- 81. The loss of vegetation from construction activities of contractors and construction workforce is recommended to be minimized through the enforcement of the following provisions.
 - Prohibition on illegal felling of trees and encroachment of the community forest should be made mandatory.
 - Progressive rehabilitation and afforestation of the areas not acquired by the project structures after the completion of the construction activities should be carried out. Such afforestation program is recommended to plant saplings of trees, shrubs and herbs by establishing a nursery or pre-arrangements of such saplings from the local or district level nurseries.
 - To enhance the conservation of endangered, protected and threatened species, it is recommended to plant the saplings 2 times the number of felled trees.

7.3 Socio-economic and cultural environment

7.3.1 Land acquisition

82. The land required for the construction of permanent facilities has been managed by WUSC and no disputes are observed. Similarly there is no necessity of relocation or resettlement. Vegetation and agricultural products should be compensated through the afforestation and agricultural enhancement programs in the STWSSSP area.

7.3.2 OutsideWorkforce Conflict/Health/Pollution/Culture

83. Outside workers should be provided with the facilities of camps and should be instructed to not to; i) indulge with local people ii) involve themselves for hunting of wildlife iii) involve themselves in social disharmony activities.

7.3.3 Workers' Health and Safety Hazards

84. Some of the mitigation measures for community health and safety hazards: (i) strictly enforce on workers the use of protective wears; (ii) provide safe access to and from work sites; (iii) provide adequate housing at the workers' camp with adequate basic services and provide adequate water supply and sanitation facilities at work sites; (iv) arrange with nearest health center and hospital for health care and emergency care of workers. Overall, the contractor should comply with IFS EHS Guidelines on Occupational Health and Safety.

7.3.4 Water right Conflict

85. The temporary settlement for the workers should be provided with temporary water taps. Open defecation should be controlled. Temporary toilets need to be constructed.

7.4 Enhancement of Beneficial Impacts

- Some of the beneficial impacts from the implementation of the project should be enhanced by:
- Community mobilization and people's participation in health and sanitation programs should be promoted,
- Training an awareness programs in health and uses of water and its importance (water cost, saving, reuse, recycle, water pollution etc.) should be given,
- Technical training to the local people on plumbing, chlorination, water testing, pump maintenance and repair should be conducted.

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7.5 Activities for Rehabilitation Work and its Mitigation Measures

86. As this rehabilitation project is for previously implemented and not in smooth operation. Physical, Biological and Social environment are described respectively in Section 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3. Slight changes are in social that is increased population, number of stakeholders for which additional distribution lines with ancillary works are to be done. Major focused were given for the technical rectification which need to be done during enhancement work are summarized in Table 7-1in details. Most of the recommended mitigation measures will be incorporated in the contractual obligations and constructions works to be completed by the contractors. Facilities like water treatment plant, water testing laboratory etc are also either existing or to be installed is also included in the contract. Mitigation measures and monitoring plan of each rehabilitation activities is mentioned in Table 10-2, in Chapter 10.

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Table 7-1: Activities for Rehabilitation Work

| S.No | Name of Structure | Туре | Existing Capacity(Q=lps, RVT=cum, WTP lps) | Design Capacity(lps) | Major problems | Required Intervention |
|------|---|---|--|-------------------------|--|--|
| I | Civil Structures | | | | | |
| 1 | TW 1, Office Compound, Janakitole, Tilachaur | Pumping | 25 | | Bulk Meter ,NRV & pressure gauge meters not functioning well | New Bulk Meter (100mm), NRV & pressure gauge |
| | TW 2, Off Compd, Janakitoletilachaur. | Pumping | 20 | | High calcium content in water. | meters. • 1 New TW proposed |
| | Total | | 45 | | | |
| 2 | Reservoir (Office compound) | OHT(RCC) | 450 cum | 450 cum | Bulk Meter is damaged | New Bulk Meter proposed (200 mm) |
| 3. | Treatment Plant (Office Compound) | Pressure Filter (Vertical aeration and Horizontal Pressure filter) | | | Malfunctioned due to clogging (Media is taken out) | Existing WTP discarded.New WTP proposed. |
| 3.a | Chlorination (Office Compound) | | | | Chlorination unit malfunctioned. | New Chlorination unit proposed. |
| 4 | Accessories, Valve Chambers etc | Valve Chamber, air valve, washout valve, NRV, Bulk Meters etc. | | | Damaged washout Damaged air valves About 30% (lump sum) of domestic meters are not functioning due to clogging and high pressure. | New washout valves(50mm-1,75mm-1nos,63mm-2nos,100mm-3nos New air valves(25mm-3nos) New domestic meters proposed. |
| 5 | Pipes and Pipe Fittings | HDPE, GI | | | Lime deposition at several locations in distribution network. Distribution lines in newly developed area lacking. High air pressure in tap leading damage of domestic meter. | Replacing lime incrustation pipe. (12.478 km) Installation of air valve as per designed. New pipes line to be laid as per design. (4.343km) |

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8. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE, CONSULTATION AND PARTICIPATION

8.1 Consultation

87. Stakeholder consultation and participation was an essential process in project preparation and this updated IEE. The process in engaging stakeholders and affected people during the conduct of the IEE involved key informant interviews, joint sites reconnaissance and on-site discussions with WUSC, and field random interview of stakeholders.

8.2 Initial consultation: the existing project

- 88. During the Feasibility Study, consultations were undertaken by the Design and Supervision Consultants. Stakeholder consultations have been continued through subprojects implementation and operation. All stakeholders were invited and encouraged to participate in community consultations. To facilitate the engagement of stakeholders, the PMO and RPMOs maintained good communication and collaboration with the WUSC and VDC. The PMO, RPMOS, Contractors and/or WUSC were opened to contact by the public on matters concerning the progress of the subprojects, adverse impacts, mitigation measures and environmental monitoring and grievances.
 - Prior to construction, the PMO and TPO have conducted information, education and communication (IEC) campaign to ensure sufficient level of awareness/information among the affected communities regarding the upcoming construction, its anticipated impacts, the grievance redress mechanism, contact details and location of the PMO and TPO, and status of compliance with Government's environmental safeguard requirements, among others, are attained/provided. Billboards about the subproject, implementation schedule and contact details of the executing agency, PMO, TPO and Contractors have been set up at strategic locations within the subprojects' main areas of influence. The grievance redress procedure and details will have been posted at the offices of the PMO, TPO, WUSC and VDC.
 - During construction, regular random interviews were conducted by the TPO every month to monitor environmental concerns of subproject communities.
 - During operation, periodic random interviews were conducted by the PMO and
 - TPO and WUSC to monitor the environmental concerns of subproject communities.

8.3 The consultation during IEE update

89. The consultation was done in two phases

8.3.1 Phase I

90. During the engineering survey and design phase, the consultations met with the top level management of DWSS, WUSC officials, WS division officials in Kathmandu and concerned municipality offices, WS customers and general public in field. The main persons consulted during this phase are listed below;

Table 8-1: Lists of People and Institutions Consulted

| S No. | Name | Designation |
|-------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Mr. Ram Deep Sah | Director General |
| 2 | Mr. Tiresh Prasad Khatrai | Acting Project Director |
| 3 | Mr. Dr. Mahesh Bhattrai | PMC, Project Co-ordinator |
| 4 | Mr. Keshav Raj Bista | Deputy Project Director |
| 5 | Mr. Chudamani Pokhrel | WUSC Chairman at Site |
| 6 | Mr. Apilal Joshi | Chairman |
| 7 | Mr. Jay B. Jagri | V.Chairman |
| 8 | Mr. Bir B. Dhami | Treasurer |
| 9 | Mr. Dammar B. Bohora | Secretary |
| 10 | Mr. Dammar Rana | Member |

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8.3.2 Phase II

91. After approval of Detail Design report, second level of public consultation was made to discussion issues regarding the environmental impact, resettlement, relocation and compensation with immediate stakeholders. Meeting was held on 2072/06/11 at site. In this phase overall project outcomes were discussed with all concerned stakeholders. Details of participants are presented in Annex 4.

8.4 Costs

92. All costs involved in resolving the complaints (meetings, consultations, communication and reporting/information dissemination) at local (field/ward/town) level will be borne by the concerned focal organizations at each level: WUSC at town level; PIU at regional level and PMO at central level.

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9. GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM

9.1 Purpose of the Grievance Redress Mechanism

- 93. A project-specific grievance redress mechanism (GRM) will be established to receive, evaluate, and facilitate the resolution of APs' concerns, complaints, and grievances related to social and environmental issues of the project. The GRM will aim to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve social and environmental concerns linked to the project.
- 94. A common GRM will be in place for social, environmental, or any other grievances related to the project. The GRM will provide an accessible forum for receiving and facilitating resolution of affected persons' grievances related to the project. Every grievance shall be registered and careful documentation of process with regard to each grievance undertaken, as explained below. The environmental and social safeguards officer (ESO/SSO) at project management office (PMO) will have the overall responsibility for timely grievance redress on environmental and social safeguards issues. The Social Development Officer at the Regional Project Management Office (RPMO) will be the focal person for facilitating the grievance redress at VDC/Municipality level.
- 95. A town-level public awareness campaign will be conducted to ensure that awareness on the project and its grievance redress procedures is generated. The social safeguards expert of the project management consultant (PMC) and DSMC's safeguards specialists will support the WUSC and DSMC community mobilisers with information/collateral/awareness material etc. to conduct the town-wide awareness campaign. The campaign will ensure that the poor, vulnerable and others are made aware of grievance redress procedures and project's entitlements.
- 96. A Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) will be formed at VDC/Municipality level, comprising District Chief WSS as Chairperson and Member of Secretary of concerned WUSC as the GRC secretary. The GRC members will be comprise of (1) RPMO social development officer, (2) representatives of affected persons, (3) DSMC's safeguards specialist (social/environment as relevant), (4) a representative of reputable CBO/SHG/organization working in the project area, and (5) contractor's representative. The secretary of the GRC, who will be responsible for convening timely meetings and maintaining minutes of meetings. The concerned social safeguards expert of DSMC will support the RPMO SDO and Regional Director DWSS to ensure that grievances, including those of the poor and vulnerable are addressed. All GRCs shall have at least two women committee members. Representatives of APs, civil society and eminent citizens are to be invited as observers in GRC meetings.
- 97. The functions of the local GRC are as follows: (i) provide support to affected persons on problems arising from environmental or social disruption; asset acquisition (if necessary); and eligibility for entitlements, compensation and assistance; (ii) record grievances of affected persons, categorize and prioritize them and provide solutions within 15 days of receipt of complaint by WUSC; and (iii) ensure feedback to the aggrieved parties about developments regarding their grievances and decisions of the GRC. The grievance redress mechanism and procedure is depicted in Figure 9-1.
- 98. The GRM for the project is outlined below, with each step having time-bound schedules and responsible persons to address grievances and indicating appropriate persons whose advice is to be sought at each stage, as required:

9.1.1 First Level of GRM (WUSC-level)

99. The first level and most accessible and immediate venue for quick resolution of grievances will be the contractors, DSMC field engineers and PIU supervision personnel, who will immediately inform the W USC. Any person with a grievance related to the project works can contact the Project to file a complaint. The WUSC will document the complaint within 24 hours of receipt of complaint in the field, and WUSC will immediately address and resolve the issue at field-level with the contractor, supervision personnel of PIU and DSMC field engineers within 5 days of receipt of a complaint/grievance. The assigned DSMC social mobilizer will be responsible to fully document: (i) name of the person, (ii) date of complaint received, (iii) nature of complaint, (iv) location and (v) how the complaint was resolved. If the complaint remains unresolved at the local level within 5 days, the WUSC will forward the complaint issue to the VDC/Municipality level GRM.

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9.1.2 Second Level of GRM (VDC/Municipality level)

100. The complainant will be notified by the WUSC that the grievance is forwarded to the VDC/Municipality –level GRM. The Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) will be called for a meeting. The GRC meeting will be called and chaired by the District chief of WSS. The GRC will recommend corrective measures at the field level and assign clear responsibilities for implementing its decision within 10 days of receipt of complaint by WUSC. If the grievance remains unresolved within 10 days of receipt of complaint by WUSC, the matter will be referred to the third level. The RPMO SDO will be responsible for processing and placing all papers before the GRC, recording decisions, issuing minutes of the meetings and taking follow up action to see that formal orders are issued and the decisions carried out. If the complaints are related with IP/dalits/other vulnerable groups, specific NGO/CBO that actively involved in development of these communities should be involved.

9.1.3 Third Level of GRM (PMO Level)

- 101. Any unresolved or major issues at Municipality/VDC level will be referred to the PMO for final solution. The PMO's Project Director and WUSC Union representative will have special meeting to find solution. Decision has to be made within 15 days of receipt of complaint by WUSC. The Project Director will sign off on all grievances received by the PMO. The environmental and social safeguards officers (ESO & SSO) will be involved with support from the PMC Social/Environment Safeguards Experts. The Project Director will sign off on all grievances received by the PMO. The PMO Safeguard Officer will be responsible to convey the final decision to the complainant.
- 102. All paperwork (details of grievances) needs to be completed by the WUSC member secretary and circulated to the WUSC Chairperson and members. At VDC/Municipality level, the VDC/Municipality SDO will be responsible for circulation of grievances to the Regional Director, DWSS and other GRC members, prior to the scheduled meetings. The PIU SDSO will be responsible for follow-through of all escalated grievances. All decisions taken by the GRC and PSC will be communicated to the APs by the PIU social development and safeguards officer.
- 103. Despite the project GRM, an aggrieved person shall have access to the country's legal system at any stage, and accessing the country's legal system can run parallel to accessing the GRM and is not dependent on the negative outcome of the GRM.
- 104. In the event that the established GRM is not in a position to resolve the issue, the affected person also can use the ADB Accountability Mechanism (AM) through directly contacting (in writing) the Complaint Receiving Officer (CRO) at ADB headquarters or the ADB Nepal Resident Mission. The complaint can be submitted in any of the official languages of ADB's DMCs. The ADB Accountability Mechanism information will be included in the PID to be distributed to the affected communities, as part of the project GRM.

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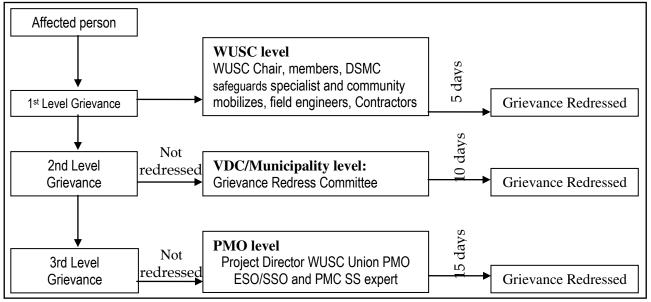


Figure 9-1: Grievance Redress Process

DSMC: Design, supervision and management consultant; ESO: Environmental and social safeguards officer;

GRC: Grievance redress committee; PD: Project director; PMC: Project management consultant;

PMO: Project management office; WUSC: Water user and sanitation committee.

Record keeping and disclosure

- 105. Records at the town-level will be kept by the concerned WUSC Member Secretary, of all grievances received, including contact details of complainant, date the complaint was received, nature of grievance, agreed corrective actions and the date of the incident and final outcome. The number of grievances recorded and resolved and the outcomes will be displayed/disclosed in the RPMO office, WUSC/municipal/VDC office, and on the web, as well as reported in the safeguards monitoring reports submitted to ADB on a semi-annual basis. For any grievance escalated to RPMO/VDC/Municipality level, the RPMO SDO will be responsible for record-keeping, calling of GRC meetings and timely sharing of information with WUSC. For grievances escalated to PMO and above, the PMO safeguard officers will be responsible for maintenance of records, sending copies to RPMO and WUSC for timely sharing of information with the person filing complaint.
- 106. Periodic review and documentation of lessons learned. The PMO social safeguard officer will periodically review the functioning of the GRM at town/WUSC level and PIU level and record information on the effectiveness of the mechanism, especially on the project's ability to prevent and address grievances. Indicators pertaining to grievance redress (no. of grievances received, no. redressed/resolved to be reported by Member Secretary, WUSC to PIU SDSO, and by PIU SDSO to PMO ESO in monthly progress reports.

Periodic review and documentation of lessons learned

107. The PMO social safeguard officer will periodically review the functioning of the GRM at town/WUSC level and PIU level and record information on the effectiveness of the mechanism, especially on the project's ability to prevent and address grievances. Indicators pertaining to grievance redress (no. of grievances received, no. redressed/resolved to be reported by Member Secretary, WUSC to PIU SDSO, and by PIU SDSO to PMO ESO in monthly progress reports.

Costs

108. All costs involved in resolving the complaints (meetings, consultations, communication and reporting/information dissemination) at local (field/ward/town) level will be borne by the concerned focal organizations at each level: WUSC at town level; PIU at regional level and PMO at central level. Cost estimates for grievance redress are included in EMP cost estimates.

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10. ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

- 109. The purpose of the environmental management plan (EMP) is to ensure that the activities are undertaken in a responsible, non-detrimental manner with the objectives of: (i) providing a proactive, feasible, and practical working tool to enable the measurement and monitoring of environmental performance on-site; (ii) guiding and controlling the implementation of findings and recommendations of the environmental assessment conducted for the project; (iii) detailing specific actions deemed necessary to assist in mitigating the environmental impact of the project; and (iv) ensuring that safety recommendations are complied with.
- 110. A copy of the EMP must be kept on work sites at all times. This EMP will be included in the bid documents and will be further reviewed and updated during implementation. The EMP will be made binding on all contractors operating on the site and will be included in the contractual clauses. Non-compliance with, or any deviation from, the conditions set out in this document constitutes a failure in compliance.

10.1 Institutional Arrangement

10.1.1 Executing and Implementing Agencies.

- 111. The Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation (MoWSS) will be the executing agency with responsibility of subproject execution delegated to the Department of Water Supply and Sewerage (DWSS). The Water Supply and Sanitation Division/Sub-division Office (WSSDOs) are the subproject implementing agencies. Water Users' and Sanitation Committees of participating towns are the implementing agencies.
- 112. The key responsibilities of the executing and implementing agencies are as follows:

Prior to construction

- The MoWSS will deputize a qualified staff to act as the Environmental Safeguard Officer of the Project management office (PMO).
- The MoWSS will establish the grievance redress mechanism, including setting up the Grievance Redress Committee.
- The Water Supply and Environment Division of the MoWSS will be responsible for reviewing the IEE Report prior to submission to the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment (MoSTE) for review and approval.
- The DWSS will review the IEE Report prepared by the Design and Supervision Consultants' Team's Environmental Safeguard Expert (DSMC-ESE) prior to forwarding this to MoWSS.
- The DWSS will prepare the ToRs for the Environmental Safeguard Specialist that will be engaged to support the PMO and for the Environmental Safeguard Specialists of the two Design and Supervision Consultants that will be appointed to prepare the subprojects.

During construction and operation

- The DWSS, through the PMO, will oversee the EARF and EMP implementation of all subprojects.
- The WSSDO, through the RPMOS, will oversee the EARF and EMP implementation at subproject/town level.

Safeguard Implementation Arrangement

Project Management Office (PMO)

- 113. The safeguard officers (environmental safeguard officer and social safeguard officer) of the PMO will receive support from the safeguards experts (environmental and social) of the Project Management Consultants (PMC) as specified below:
 - i. confirm existing IEEs/EMPs are updated based on detailed designs and that new IEEs/EMPs are prepared in accordance with the EARF and government rules;
 - ii. confirm whether EMPs are included in bidding documents and civil works contracts;

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- iii. provide oversight on environmental management aspects of subprojects and ensure EMPs are implemented by regional project management offices (Eastern RPMO and Western RPMO) and contractors;
- iv. establish a system to monitor environmental safeguards of the project including monitoring the indicators set out in the monitoring plan of the EMP;
- v. facilitate and confirm overall compliance with all Government rules and regulations regarding site and environmental clearances as well as any other environmental requirements as relevant;
- vi. supervise and provide guidance to the RPMOs to properly carry out the environmental monitoring and assessments as per the EARF;
- vii. review, monitor and evaluate the effectiveness with which the EMPs are implemented, and recommend necessary corrective actions to be taken as necessary;
- viii. consolidate monthly environmental monitoring reports from RPMOs and submit semiannual monitoring reports to ADB;
- ix. ensure timely disclosure of final IEEs/EMPs in project locations and in a form accessible to the public; and
- x. address any grievances brought about through the Grievance Redress Mechanism in a timely manner as per the IEEs.

Regional Project Management Offices (Eastern and Western RPMOs)

- 114. The regional DWSS engineers and social development officers of the RPMOs will receive support from; (i) the PMO safeguards officers (environmental and social); and (ii) the safeguards specialists (environmental and social), the social mobilizes and environmental management plan (EMP) monitors of the design, supervision and management consultant (DSMC) teams as specified below:
 - i. prepare new IEEs/EMPs in accordance with the EARF and government rules;
 - ii. include EMPs in bidding documents and civil works contracts;
 - iii. comply with all government rules and regulations;
 - iv. take necessary action for obtaining rights of way;
 - v. oversee implementation of EMPs including environmental monitoring by contractors;
 - vi. take corrective actions when necessary to ensure no environmental impacts:
 - vii. submit monthly environmental monitoring reports to PMO, and;
 - viii. address any grievances brought about through the Grievance Redress Mechanism in a timely manner as per the IEEs.

Civil Works Contracts and Contractors

115. EMP is to be included in bidding and contract documents and verified by the PMO and RPMOSs. The contractor will be required to designate an environment supervisor to ensure implementation of EMP during civil works. Contractors are to carry out all environmental mitigation and monitoring measures outlined in their contract. The government will ensure that bidding and contract documents include specific provisions requiring contractors to comply with all: (i) applicable labor laws and core labor standards on (a) prohibition of child labor as defined in national legislation for construction and maintenance activities, on (b) equal pay for equal work of equal value regardless of gender, ethnicity or caste, and on (c) elimination of forced labor; and (ii) the requirement to disseminate information on sexually transmitted diseases including HIV/AIDS to employees and local communities surrounding the project sites. Contractors will only starts the civil works activities in the section/subproject sites that has IR/IPP impacts upon the completion of RP/IPP implementation and after receiving clearance from the WUSC and endorsed by RPMO's SDO.

Capacity Building

- 116. The PMC safeguards experts (environmental and social) will be responsible for training the; (i) PMO's safeguards officers (environmental and social); (ii) RPMOs' engineers and social development officers. Training modules will need to cover safeguards awareness and management in accordance with both ADB and government requirements as specified below:
 - i. sensitization;

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- ii. introduction to environment and environmental considerations in water supply and wastewater projects:
- iii. review of IEEs and integration into the project detailed design;
- iv. improved coordination within nodal departments; and
- v. Monitoring and reporting system. The contractors will be required to conduct environmental awareness and orientation of workers prior to deployment to work sites.

Water Users and Sanitation Committees (WUSCs)

117. WUSCs are the eventual operators of the completed subprojects. The key tasks and responsibilities of the WUSCs are, but not limited to:

Prior to construction

- Facilitate public consultation and participation, information dissemination and social preparation.
- Provide available data to the DSMC-ESS during the conduct of the IEE.
- Assist in securing the tree-cutting permit and/or registration of water source.
- Participate in the capacity development program.

During construction

- Assist in the observance of the grievance redress mechanism.
- Actively participate in the monitoring of Contractor's compliance with the IEE and its EMP and the conditions set out with Government's approval of the IEE Reports.
- Facilitate public consultations, as necessary.

During operation

- Implement the EMP and the Water Safety Plan.
- Regularly monitor the water quality
- Prepare the environmental monitoring report as per IEE.
- Ensure observance of the grievance redress mechanism

Licensed and accredited laboratory

118. It is recommended that a licensed and accredited laboratory be engaged to conduct water quality monitoring in the first few years of operation and to train the WUSC on the same. The laboratory will ensure that while carrying out the water quality monitoring as prescribed in the National Drinking Water Quality Standard and its Directives, 'hands-on' training is provided to the WUSC.

Institutional Capacity Development Program

- 119. Considering the limited capability of the Project's key players in environmental management, technical assistance from environmental specialists and capacity development during loan implementation will be needed. Capacity development will consist of hands-on training in implementing the responsibilities in EMP (as well as in EARF) implementation, complemented with a short-term series of lectures/seminars on relevant topics.
- 120. WUSC does not have the capacity to monitor the quality of supplied water as prescribed in the NDWQS and its Directives. Albeit monitoring kits and laboratory rooms will be provided, this would not guarantee WUSC can handle monitoring appropriately. DWSS has five regional laboratories; however some are not functioning fully due to lack of manpower. Considering that public health is a critical concern associated with water supply, it is recommended that a licensed and accredited laboratory be engaged to conduct water quality monitoring for at least the first 2-3 years of operation with the WUSC actively participating to develop WUSC capacity. The conduct of water quality monitoring should be carried out in such a way that WUSC will be "learning by doing". After the engagement period, there should be continuing periodic training of new persons to ensure capacity of the WUSC is sustained. The cost for monitoring during operation is based on the assumption that a licensed laboratory will be engaged for both the monitoring requirements and to train the WUSC. A Water Safety Plan is included in subproject design and will oblige the operator to carry out water quality monitoring accordingly. The amount of NPR 500,000 will be provided

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annually to implement the Plan. There will be sufficient fund to include training by the licensed and accredited lab, while monitoring water quality.

121. The PMO will be responsible for trainings on environmental awareness and management in accordance with both ADB and government requirements. Specific modules customized for the available skill set will be devised after assessing the capabilities of the target participants and the requirements of the project. Typical modules would be as follows: (i) sensitization; (ii) introduction to environment and environmental considerations in water supply and wastewater projects; (iii) review of IEEs and integration into the project detailed design; (iv) improved coordination within nodal departments; and (v) monitoring and reporting system. The contractors will be required to conduct environmental awareness and orientation of workers prior to deployment to work sites.

Staffing Requirement and Budget

- 122. Costs required for implementing the EMP will cover the following activities:
 - Updating IEE, preparing and submitting reports and public consultation and disclosure;
 - · Application for environmental clearances; and
 - Implementation of EMP, environmental monitoring program and long-term surveys.
- 123. The infrastructure involved in each scheme is generally straightforward to build. Environmental monitoring during construction will also be straightforward and will involve periodic site observations and interviews with workers and others, plus checks of reports and other documents. This will be conducted by PMO assisted by the PMO environmental safeguard officer. Therefore, no separate budget is required for the PMO.
- 124. The cost of mitigation measures and surveys during construction stage will be incorporated into the contractor's costs, which will be binding on him for implementation. The surveys will be conducted by the contractors.
- 125. The operation phase mitigation measures are again of good operating practices, which will be the responsibility of the WUSC. All monitoring during the operation and maintenance phase will be conducted by WUSC. The Water Safety Plan, included in each subproject design, will allocate NPR 500,000 annually for operation and maintenance particularly water quality monitoring. If a licensed laboratory will be engaged for the first 2-3 years of operation for training purposes, the cost can be accommodated under the Water Safety Plan.

10.8 Monitoring and Reporting

126. RPMOs will monitor and measure the progress of EMP implementation with assistance from DMSC. The monitoring activities will correspond with the project's risks and impacts, and will be identified in the IEE for the projects. In addition to recording

10.9 Environmental Monitoring Mechanism

- 127. Under the chairmanship of Mahendranagar municipality, a Monitoring Committee should be formed. The committee should be represented by the chairman of concerned service wards of the VDC, representative from environment related NGOs, local community, Water Users' Committee and local entrepreneur. Secretary of the Mahendranagar municipality should act as member secretary of the Monitoring Committee. This committee should be assigned following duties and responsibilities:
 - The committee should meet at least twice a month:
 - The committee should collect all complaints from the local people concerning distribution, pipeline etc and should discuss in the meeting for the final decisions;
 - The monitoring committee should identify the mistakes and deficiency regarding the project and should discuss in the meeting for the purpose of correction;
 - Any negligence regarding the water quality should be considered and take necessary action;
 - The committee should also supervise and provide instructions for activities such as:
 - Distribution of qualitative water,
 - Storage of water in the reservoir tanks.
 - Treatment plant,

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- Handling of toxic/chemical matters,
- · Training for the locals, and
- Examine monitoring reports periodically and take necessary actions if required etc.

10.11 Monitoring Reporting Mechanism

128. As proposed by approved EMP, the reporting system should include site supervision and reporting as well and primarily connected with Monitoring plan. The construction contractors are responsible for implementing approved EMP. The supervising consultants are responsible for monitoring to oversee whether or not the contractors have complied with the approved conditions as stated in EMP and also receive the monthly progress report from construction contractors. Based on this information the consulting engineers prepare the front line monitoring report and submit to DWSS for review

10.12 Monitoring cost, parameters, location and schedule

129. During rehabilitation, the cost for monitoring will be minimum and it should be allocated as and when required from the project contingency.

10.13 Contractors Compliance on EMP

130. The recommended mitigation measures are shown in the Table 10-1. The contractor should comply with the recommended mitigation activities.

10.14 Institutional Capacity Development Program

- 131. Considering the limited capability of the Project's key players in environmental management, technical assistance from environmental specialists and capacity development during loan implementation will be needed. Capacity development will consist of hands-on training in implementing the responsibilities in EMP (as well as in EARF) implementation, complemented with a short-term series of lectures/seminars on relevant topics.
- 132. In the Table 10-1 given below, the types of impact as predicted, corresponding mitigation measures, monitoring parameters, monitoring indicators, location and sources, responsibility and frequencies of monitoring have been included. The monitoring protocols given below are based on the Environmental Management Plan (IEE Mahendranagar, 2005) approved by Government of Nepal 2005.

10.15 Environmental mitigation cost

133. Most of the recommended mitigation measures are incorporated in the contractual obligations and constructions works to be completed by the contractors. Facilities like water treatment plant, water testing laboratory etc are also either existing or to be installed is also included in the contract. Therefore mitigation cost of the enhancement project will be negligible. However in order to strengthen the existing facilities 2% of total project cost is proposed should be allocated.

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Table 10-1: Mitigation measures and corresponding Monitoring plan

| | nd Mitigation cription | | Status | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Environmental Impact | Mitigation action | Parameter to be Monitored | E INDICATORE L'OCATION SOURCES BESTONSIDITIV | | Frequency | Previous | Present ² | | |
| Physical Environ | | | | | | | | | |
| Construction Pha | | | | | | | | | |
| Land use pattern | Acquire only required land | Change in cropping pattern | Quality and quantity of yield | Project area | Local people | WUSC | Half yearly | Completed | Not applicable |
| Flooding and water stagnant | Drainage management | Observation of the project area | Increase in mosquito Increase in vector born diseases | Project area | Field inspection | DSC/Contractor | During and after monsoon | Completed | Recommended |
| | The excavated material must be safely disposed. | Ensure proper management of excessive spoil materials in place | Evidence of landscape erosion and river turbidity undisturbed | Project area | Field inspection | DSC/Contractor | After monsoon | Completed | Recommended |
| Impacts of sediments and Disinfecting Chemicals | Safe disposal | Water quality | Chemicals and pathogen exceeding national standards | Project area | Water quality test | DSC/Contractor | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |
| Water Volume/ Quality | Limited extraction/ regular testing | Measurement of River flow and underground water table level | Change in quantity | Project area | River and ground water | DSC/Contractor | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |
| Air Quality | Confine earthworks according to a | Visibility due to presence of dust | Location of stock pile | Project area | Local people and surrounding | DSC/Contractor | Twice in a week | Completed | Recommended |

²Recommended for EMP compliance

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| | d Mitigation cription | | N | Ionitoring P | Plan for Implem | nentation | | Status | |
|--|---|--|---|-----------------|---|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Environmental Impact | Mitigation action | Parameter to be Monitored | Indicators | Location | Sources | Responsibility | Frequency | Previous | Present ² |
| | staking plan and excavation segmentation plan and a part of the document | | | | environment | | | | |
| | | Amount of dust present in surrounding environment | Number of complaint from sensitive receptors | Project area | Local people and surrounding environment | Contractor | Twice in a week | Completed | Recommended |
| Acoustic environment | Restrict noisy activities to daytime. Overtime work should avoid using noisy/high noise generating equipment. | Sound intensity during day and night time | Number of complaints from sensitive receptors; | Project area | Local people and surrounding environment | Contractor | Twice in a week | Completed | Recommended |
| | | Sound intensity at and nearby of source | Use of silencers in noise-producing equipment and sound barriers; | Project area | Local people and surrounding environment | Contractor | Twice in a week | Completed | Recommended |
| Traffic movement | Pipe line work need to be done during night and during less traffic time | Number of vehicles diverted | Number of vehicles movement | Project area | Local people and surrounding environment | WUSC/Contractor | During pipeline work | Completed | Recommended |
| Biological Enviro Impact on natural vegetation and habitat | nment Construction area should be well demarked and proper instruction to be given for the | Vegetation density, number and types of wild animals | Change in vegetation density and number of wild life | Project area | Project area | WUSC/DSC/Contractor | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |

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| | d Mitigation | | Status | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|-----------------|--|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Environmental Impact | Mitigation action | Parameter to be Monitored | Indicators | Location | Sources | Responsibility | Frequency | Previous | Present ² |
| | workers. | | | | | | | | |
| | and cultural environ | ment | | | | | | | |
| Impairment to Infrastructure | Not applicable | | | | | | | | |
| Land acquisition | Project has to make sure that adequate compensation for the land acquired from private citizens (if required) is made | Compensation measures | All affected | Project area | Records and Interview | WUSC/Contractor | Yearly | Completed | Completed |
| Outside workforce conflict/ health/ pollution/ culture | Disease transmission, pollution and competition for the available resources to outsiders should be thoroughly checked. | Situation of social disharmony Awareness program | Decreased social disharmony Effective awareness program | Project area | Records and Interview | WUSC/Contractor | Yearly | Completed | Recommended |
| Operation Phase | | | | | | | | | |
| Water right Conflict | Public taps should be established in appropriate places. | Number of public taps installed | Adequate water supply to the public | Project area | Field inspection and Interview | WUSC | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |
| Workers health and safety | Comply with requirements of Labor Act of GoN and standards on workers' health and safety (H&S). | Health of workers Dress and first-aid facilities stations | Site-specific H&S Plan | Project area | Workers health status and Interview | WUSC | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |
| | Arrange for readily available | Health of workers | Condition of sanitation | Project area | Workers health | WUSC | Quarterly | Completed | Recommended |

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| Impact and Mitigation Prescription | | | Status | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| Environmental Impact | Mitigation action | Parameter to be Monitored | Indicators | Location | Sources | Responsibility | Frequency | Previous | Present ² |
| | first aid unit including an adequate supply of sterilized dressing materials and appliances | Dress and first-aid facilities stations | facilities for workers | | status and Interview | | | | |

Source: IEE Mahendranagar 2005 Recommended for EMP compliance

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Table 10-2: Mitigation Measures and Monitoring Plan for Rehabilitation Activities

| Overview of Impacts | | Required mitig | ation measur | es | Monitoring plan for implementation | | | | |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Project activities | Possible impacts (on all baseline parameters) | Mitigation associated with project location | Mitigation in project design features | Residual mitigation measures (not addressed by location and design) | Parameter to be Monitored | Indicator s | Locati on | Responsibi lity | Frequen cy |
| Water source | | | | | | | | | |
| Maintenance of existing tube well | No significant impact | | | | | | | | |
| Construction of new tube well | Ground water reduction | Construction of ground water recharge pond | | | Water table level | Reductio n in ground water level | site specific | Contractor and WUSC | During operation |
| Transmission line | | | | | | | | | |
| Enhancement not required | No any significant impact | | | | | | | | |
| Treatment plant | | | | | | | | | |
| Installation of chlorination unit | Excessive use may be detrimental | Avoid excessive use | | | | | | | |
| | Leakage through storage | Maintain proper storage to avoid leakage | | | Chlorine contaminatio n | Health problem in local people | Site specific | WUSC | Operation |
| New water treatment plant | Excessive use may be detrimental | Avoid excessive use | | | | | | | |
| | Leakage through storage | Maintain proper storage to avoid leakage | | | Chlorine contaminatio n | Health problem in local people | Site specific | WUSC | Operation |
| Distribution line | | | | | | | | | |
| Network rehabilitation activities/ Additional distribution network | Traffic disturbance | Arrangement for traffic diversion with traffic | Traffic diversion | | Arrangemen t of vehicular movement during construction | Smooth running of vehicles through diversion | Site specific | Contractor | During constructi on |

| Overview of Impacts | | Required mitig | ation measur | es | Monitoring plan for implementation | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Project activities | Possible impacts (on all baseline parameters) | Mitigation associated with project location | Mitigation in project design features | Residual mitigation measures (not addressed by location and design) | Parameter to be Monitored | Indicator s | Locati on | Responsibi lity | Frequen cy |
| | Air pollution | Dust reduction and emission should be controlled | Not applicable | | Air quality | Particulat e matter in air | Site specific | Contractor, WUSC and Locals | During constructi on |
| | HHs water distribution | Intermittent supply | Supply water through other sources | | Water supply continued | Adequate amount of water supply in each househol ds | Site specific | Contractor and WUSC | During constructi on |
| Electrical and mechanical repairement | Noise pollution and oil spillage | Sound muffler installed and proper management of waste oil | Not applicable | | Sound level and amount of oil | Noise level emission standard | Site specific | Contractor | During constructi on |

Note: Table 10-2 is prepared according to Table 7-1 of Chapter 7.

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11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 134. The proposed subproject is not an environmentally critical undertaking. The IEE indicates that:
 - The proposed subproject, its components, are not within or adjacent to environmentally sensitive areas.
 - The extent of adverse impacts is expected to be local, confined within the subprojects' main areas of influence, quarry or borrowing sites, waste disposal sites, and the routes to and from these sites. Fine aggregates, sediments and/or wastes would not be the transported beyond the aforementioned sites. With mitigation measures in place and ensuring that the bulk of earthworks are completed prior to the onset of the rainy season, the potential adverse impacts during construction would be highly/more site-specific.
 - The few adverse impacts of high magnitude during construction will be temporary and short-term (i.e., most likely to occur only during peak construction period). These will not be sufficient to threaten or weaken the surrounding resources. The preparation and implementation of a Contractor's EMP that would address as minimum the requirements of the SPS-compliant subproject EMP will mitigate the impacts and lower their residual significance to acceptable levels. Simple/uncomplicated mitigation measures, basically integral to socially and environmentally responsible construction practices, are commonly used at construction sites and are known to Contractors. Hence, mitigation measures would not be difficult to design and institute.
 - During operation, the potential delivery of unsafe water can be mitigated with good operation and maintenance, prompt action on leaks, and complying with the required quality monitoring of supplied water as prescribed in the National Drinking Water Quality Standards Directives.
 - The proposed subproject will bring about: (i) the benefits of access to reliable supply of safe and potable water; (ii) promotion of good hygiene and sanitation practices and reduced health and safety risks as positive impacts; and (iii) enhanced public health, improved quality of life and safe communities as outcomes.
- 135. Based on the above findings, the classification of the 3rdSTWSSSP as Category B is confirmed, and no further special study or detailed EIA needs to be undertaken to comply with the Safeguard Policy Statement of the ADB. The Government of Nepal will incorporate the findings and recommendations of this IEE and prescribed environmental management in the EMP.

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12. COMMENTS INCORPORATION MATRIX

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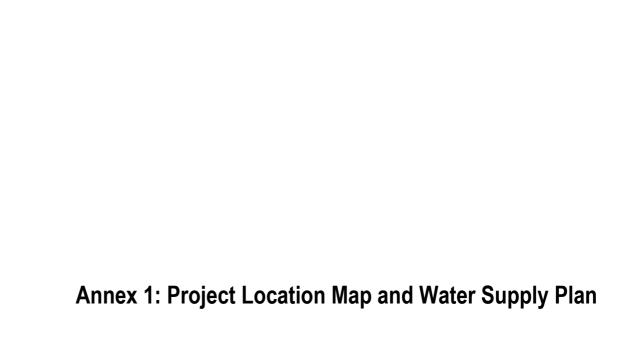
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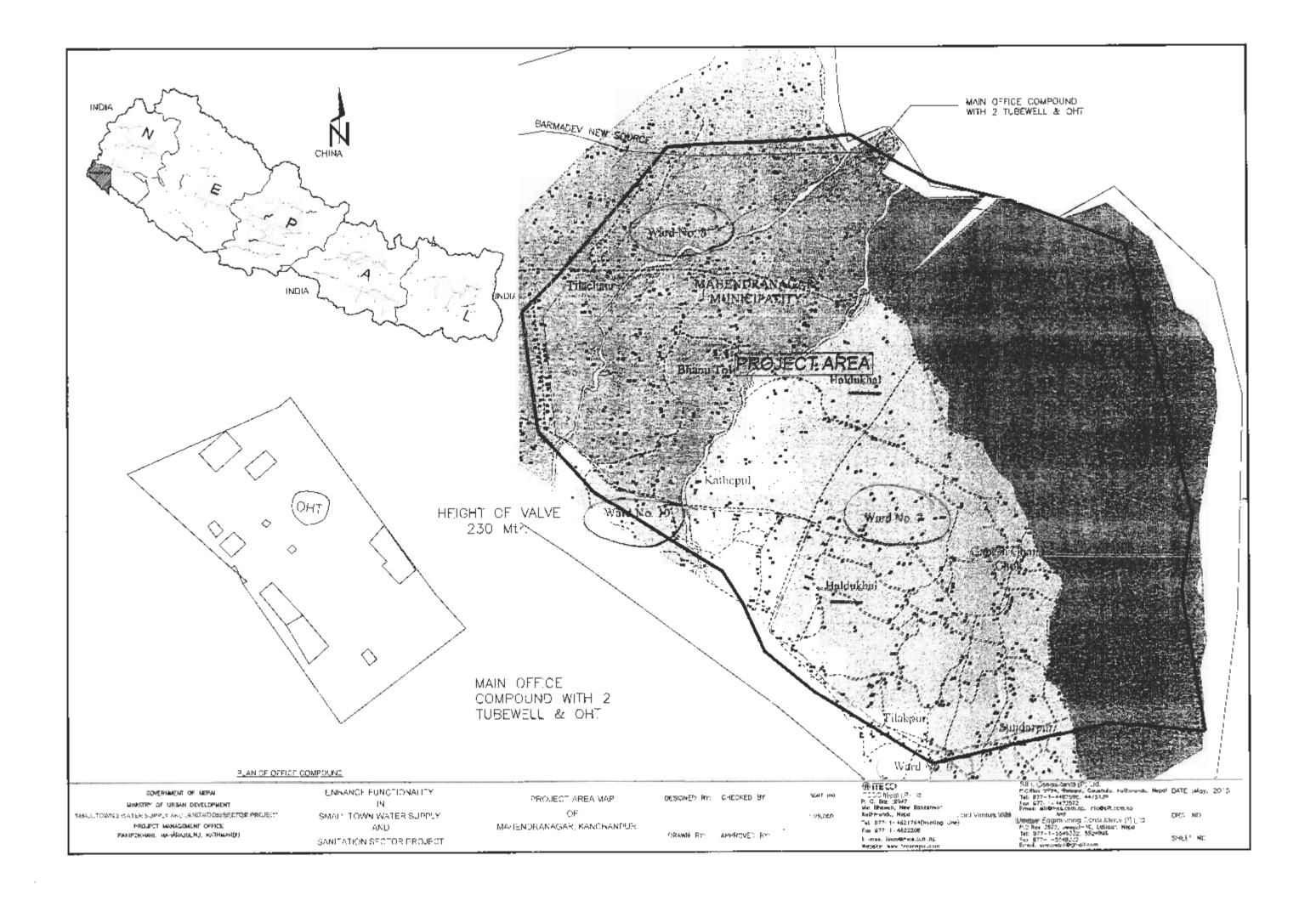
Annex 1: Project Location Map and Water Supply Plan

Annex 2: Water Tested Laboratory Analysis Report

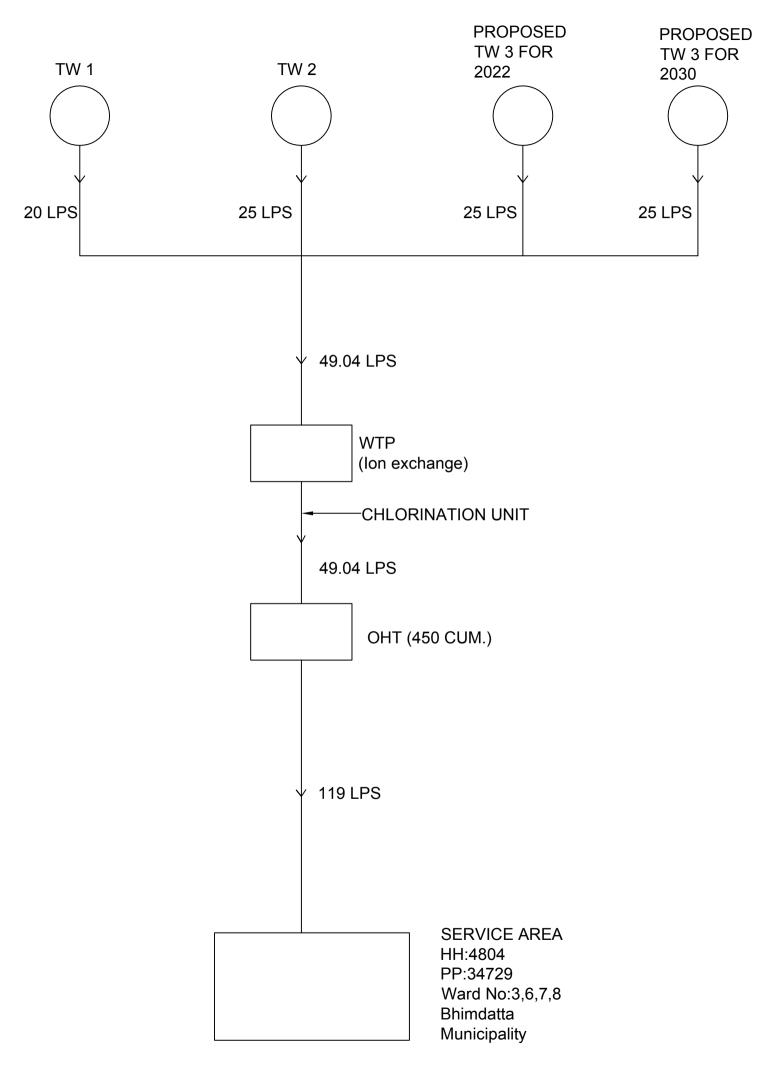
Annex 3: Rapid Environmental Assessment (REA) Checklist

Annex 4: Minute of Meeting





FLOW DIAGRAM



MAHENDRANAGAR, KANCHANPUR



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LABORATORY ANALYSIS REPORT

Name of Sender: SH T ITEKO UNICORN JV

Sample No: SIU-1375/071/072

Date of Receipt: 01/12/2014

Analyzed date: 01/08/2014-05/09/2014

Name of Project: Muhendranagar Water Supply

Scheme

Type of Source: Groundwater Name of Source: Bore Well (East)

Date of Collection: 01/12/2014 Sampling Point: Bore Well (East) Field Temperature (C): 23.6

Field pH:7.5

| Sampled by : WETC | | | mples: 01 : Tilachaur | | Field Electrical Conductivity (uS/cm) ; 736.0 |
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Name of Seader: SILT ITEKO UNICORN AV Sample No: SIU-1376/071/072

Date of Receipt: 01/12/2014

Name of Project: Maheadrungar Water Supply

Scheme

Type of Source: Groundwater

Date of Collection: 01/12/2014 Sampling Point: Bore Well (West) Field Temperature (C): 23.8

| Analyzed date : 01/08/2014-05/09/2014 Sampled by : WETC | | No. of Sa | Source: Bore Well imples: 01 : Tilachaur | (West) | Field pH:7.5 Field Electrical Conductivity (pS/em): 798.0 |
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| Finande | my/Los 5 | 1.5 | 0.5-1.5* | 0.06 | 450/F- (). APHA, 21 ²³ Eburron |
| Your Hardness | rug/Las CO ₁ | 5110 | 500 | 412.0 | 2310 C. APEIA, 21 ST EDUTION |
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| Langlics Satisfation Index | | 1 | | 0,2 | 2350 BLAPHAL 29 ^{PF} EDITION |
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| Faccal Colitinia | ; CF1./107m1 | Nil | 2211 | NU | 5222 O., ASHIA, 21 ST FERTINGS |

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Comment: The tested parameters are within the permissible range as per NDWQS.

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LABORATORY ANALYSIS REPORT

Name of Sender: SILT ITEKO UNICORN JV

Sample No: SIU-1377/071/072 Date of Receipt: 01/12/2014

Analyzed date: 01/08/2014-05/09/2014

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Name of Project: Mahendranagar Water Supply

Scheme

Type of Source: Groundwater Name of Source: After OHT Tap

No. of Samples: 01

Date of Collection: 01/12/2014 Sampling Point: After OHT Tap Field Temperature ("C): 24.6

Field pH:7.4

| Sampled by : WETC | | | : Titachanc | Field Electrical Conductivity (pS/cm): 772.0 | |
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| Parameters | Units | MITOCA | NDWQS | Result | Methods used |
| | 902759X | | PHYSIC | CAL | |
| ąН | , | i 55-85 | 6.5-8 7- | 7.4 | 4500-H1 B, AF6(A, 2, 12 EDITION |
| Turbicity | NTC | : | 5:10) | ≤1.0 | 2130 B, APHA, 21 ⁵⁷ EDEFION |
| Electrical Conductivity | ji.8/em | | 7596 | 772.5 | 2510 B, APHA, 21 ST EDITAD. |
| Lab Temperature | , ² C | - | | 48.6 | 2850 B. APHA, 21 ST ELV. HON |
| | | | CHEMI | CAL | |
| Cascium | mg/Las Ca ^{rt} | - | 200 | 103.6 | 3500 - Cald, ARSIA, 31 ⁸¹ EDITION |
| Magnesient | ing/Las Mg ⁻² | 1 | | 368 | 3900-Mg BI APARA, 215 HORTON |
| kım | mg/1 45 \$18 | 0.3 | 0.3(3) | <0.01 | VIJ TO, APMA, 21 ST EDITION |
| Manganose | mg/Las Mt. | 0.4 | .02 | ≈8.01 | 3111 B, APMA, 21 ⁸ EDITION |
| Arseria | ring/Las Ax | 0.01 | 0.05 | <0.005 | MILLS APPLA 2187 EDUTION |
| Ammonio | mg/l as NH ** | 1.5. | 1.5 | 0.06 | 4500-NB (C), 4295A, 17 TEDITION |
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| Bigarbonale | mg/Los HCOs | | - | 460,0 | 2020 B, APITA, 21 ST EDITION |
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| Cartionate Alkalimity | mg/Las CaCO ₅ | | | Nil | 2520 B APHA, 21 ⁸¹ EDITION |
| Onhophosphate | თლI as D | L. V. | | 0.16 | 4500-2 F APTIA, M ⁸¹ EDCID: N |
| Nitrate | nig/Las NO ₂ | 50 | 50 | 2.3 | 4500-NOS- B., APHA, 21 ⁸⁷ ADTOON |
| Nome | regulas NO- | 3 | 400 | <0.02 | AMMINO, H. ARHA, 21 ST EDITION |
| Sulphate | angyl as SO ₄ | 250 | 250 | <5.0 | 4500-50 ₄ A894, 218° EDFTE'N |
| Clitorise | ing/Lax (f | 250 | 250 | 10.9 | #5004CFB, APHA, 21** EDITION |
| Fluende | mg/Las F | 1.4 | 0.5-1.5" | 0.05 | 4500F-ID: APHA, 21 ST FISTER IN |
| Total Hardness | , mg4 as CO ₂ | 500 | 500 | 409.0 | 2340 C. APHA, 7) ST EDITION |
| Total Dissolved Solids | ink/ | !{000 | | 490.5 | 2540 C., APHA, 21" EDITION |
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Comment: The tested parameters are within the permissible sange as per NDWQS.

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Field Temperature (°C): 24.6

Field pH:7.4

| Sampled by : WETC | | | mples: 01 : Tilachaur | | Field Electrical Conductivity (µS/cm): 763.0 |
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| Electrical Conductivity | ji Steni | - | 1500 | 762.8 | 2519 B, APRA, 21 ST EDITION |
| Lab Temperature | | - | | 18.7 | 2556 B, APHA, 21 ⁵⁷ EDILLON |
| E PIVA | | | CHEM | THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN | |
| Calcium | mg/l as Ca* | | 200 | 102.0 | BSGS - CABLAPHA, 25°T BURLON |
| Magttositum | rag/l as Mg ^{ra} | | CE 11 | 36.6 | 3396-Mg B. APHA, 21 ⁸¹ EDITION |
| lær | mg/ as he | 0.3 | 0.3(3) | < 0.01 | 3, 11, 8, A FEW, 23 ⁴¹ , RD(000N |
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| Prearbanate | mg/Las HCOs | 1 | | 452.0 | 2320 9, APHA, 21 ⁹⁷ FOOTION |
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| Carbonate Attailmity | mg/Las CaCO5 | (31 | | ND | 2320 S. APSA, 21 ³⁷ FOTHON |
| Orthophosphale | mg/Las P | 10/2 | | 9.14 | 4500-P E APTIA 21 ST EDITION |
| Mittace | angel as NO. | 50 | 50 | 2.8 | 4809-NO3- S., 480(A, 21° EDITION |
| Nati de | mg/Las SO- | 3 | 1/4 | <0.02 | 4500-NO ₂ - B., APEA, 25 ^T EDITION |
| Simpliate | migilias SO, | 250 | 250 | <5.0 | 450045;5- A0074, 21 ^{5T} F26 HON |
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ADB'S REA Checklist

| Rapid Environmental Assessment (REA) Checklis | t | WA | TER SUPPLY |
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| Instructions: | | | |
| □ This checklist is to be prepared to support the environmental categorization for Chief Compliance Officer of the Regional and S □ This checklist is to be completed with the assist Department. □ This checklist focuses on environmental issues are adequately considered, refer also to ADB characteristic resettlement, (ii) Indigenous peoples planning, Gender and development. □ Answer the questions assuming the "without minimpacts. Use the "remarks" section to discuss an environmental issues. | rm that is Sustainablatance of a and cond hecklists (iii) Pover | to be ple Deve in Environments. The Earns. The Earns and hare ty reduces a search to be presented as the Earns and the Earns and the Earns are | repared and submitted to the lopment Department. conment Specialist in a Regional of ensure that social dimensions adbooks on (i) Involuntary ction, (iv) Participation and (v) the purpose is to identify potential |
| Country/Project Title: Mahendranagar Small Kanchanpur | Town Wa | iter Su | pply Rehabilitation Sub-Project, |
| Sector Division: Water Supply | | | |
| SCREENING QUESTIONS | Yes | No | REMARKS |
| A. Project Siting | 100 | | |
| Is the project area | | | |
| Densely populated? | | Ø | |
| Heavy with development activities? | | | 45 minute from Attariya (which is junction of Dhangadhi, Darchula and Eastern part of Nepal), 10 minutes from Indian Boarder Banbasha |
| Adjacent to or within any environmentally sensitive areas? | | | |
| Cultural heritage site | | Ø | |
| Protected area | | <u> </u> | |
| Wetland | | ☑ | The subproject components are |
| Mangrove | | | not within locations in or near |
| • Estuarine | | <u> </u> | sensitive and vulnerable |
| Buffer zone of protected area Special area for protecting biodiversity | | <u> </u> | ecosystems and protected areas. |
| Special area for protecting biodiversityBay | | <u> </u> | |
| B. Potential Environmental Impacts Will the Project cause | | | |
| Pollution of raw water supply from upstream wastewater discharge from communities, industries, agriculture, and soil erosion runoff? | | I | Deep boaring (Haldukhal) Stream (Buinyadwal Scheme) |
| Impairment of historical/cultural monuments/areas and loss/damage to these sites? | | Ø | Absence of historical monuments |
| Hazard of land subsidence caused by excessive ground water pumping? | Ø | | Excessive pumping should be controlled |
| Social conflicts arising from displacement of communities? | | Ø | Not anticipated. The proposed sites of the deep tube well and new overhead tank will not require acquisition of private land. There are no |

| SC | REENING QUESTIONS | Yes | No | REMARKS |
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| | | | | encroachers/squatters or residential/commercial structures at the proposed sites where infrastructure is to be established. |
| • | Conflicts in abstraction of raw water for water supply with other beneficial water uses for surface and ground waters? | | | Not anticipated. Water quantity is sufficient. |
| • | Unsatisfactory raw water supply (e.g. excessive pathogens or mineral constituents)? | A | | Arsenic problem occurs in the area, a health hazard |
| • | Delivery of unsafe water to distribution system? | V | | Can be mitigated |
| • | Inadequate protection of intake works or wells, leading to pollution of water supply? | V | | Can be mitigated |
| • | Over pumping of ground water, leading to salinization and ground subsidence? | | Ĭ I | High cost involved in pumping will constrain over pumping. EMP recommends monitoring pumping & maintaining record to control pumping to design limit. |
| • | Excessive algal growth in storage reservoir? | Ø | | Treatment will come in existence |
| • | Increase in production of sewage beyond capabilities of community facilities? | ☑ | | Can be mitigated |
| • | Inadequate disposal of sludge from water treatment plants? | V | | Can be mitigated |
| • | Inadequate buffer zone around pumping and treatment plants to alleviate noise and other possible nuisances and protect facilities? | | | Groundwater pumps are submersible and all other pump equipment in the water treatment plan will be housed in a pump shed. |
| • | Impairments associated with transmission lines and access roads? | Ø | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Health hazards arising from inadequate design of facilities for receiving, storing, and handling of chlorine and other hazardous chemicals. | Ø | | To be consider in design stage |
| • | Health and safety hazards to workers from the management of chlorine used for disinfection and other contaminants? | Ø | | Training for operator to be provided |
| • | Dislocation or involuntary resettlement of people | | V | Not anticipated |
| • | Social conflicts between construction workers from other areas and community workers? | Ø | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Noise and dust from construction activities? | 团 | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Increased road traffic due to interference of construction activities? | ☑ | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Continuing soil erosion/silt runoff from construction operations? | Ø | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Delivery of unsafe water due to poor O&M treatment processes (especially mud accumulations in filters) and inadequate chlorination due to lack of adequate monitoring of chlorine residuals in distribution systems? | Ĭ | | Training for operator to be provided |
| • | Delivery of water to distribution system, which is corrosive due to inadequate attention to feeding of corrective chemicals? | | Ø | Concern for corrosion of G.I. pipes caused by the chlorine content in treated water is low. EMP provides mitigation measures. |
| • | Accidental leakage of chlorine gas? | H | | Bleaching power is used in Nepal |
| • | Excessive abstraction of water affecting downstream | | ✓ | Not applicable |

| SC | SCREENING QUESTIONS | | No | REMARKS | | |
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| | water users? | | | | | |
| • | Competing uses of water? | | $\overline{\Delta}$ | Not applicable | | |
| • | Increased sewage flow due to increased water supply | Ø | | Frequency of septage pumping to be increased; regular testing of ground water for microbiological pollution | | |
| • | Increased volume of sullage (wastewater from cooking and washing) and sludge from wastewater treatment plant | Ø | | Can be mitigated and improved | | |
| • | Large population influx during project construction and operation that causes increased burden on social infrastructure and services (such as water supply and sanitation systems)? | | \square | Its small project, so limited number of worker will increase, and can be managed | | |
| • | Social conflicts if workers from other regions or countries are hired? | | Ø | Priority in employment will be given to local residents. | | |
| • | Risks to community health and safety due to the transport, storage, and use and/or disposal of materials such as explosives, fuel and other chemicals during operation and construction? | | Ø | Minor and temporary impact | | |
| • | Community safety risks due to both accidental and natural hazards, especially where the structural elements or components of the project are accessible to members of the affected community or where their failure could result in injury to the community throughout project construction, operation and decommissioning? | | V | Minor and temporary impact | | |
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| C. I | Potential environmental impacts | | | | | |
| | the project cause | | | | | |
| • | Impairment of historical/cultural monuments/areas and loss/damage to these sites? | | 7 | No such areas near the subproject sites. | | |
| • | Interference with other utilities and blocking of access to buildings; nuisance to neighboring areas due to noise, smell, and influx of insects, rodents, etc.? | | | Minor and temporary impact | | |
| • | Dislocation or involuntary resettlement of people? | | \square | Not applicable | | |
| • | Disproportionate impacts on the poor, women and children, indigenous peoples or other vulnerable groups? | | | Not applicable | | |
| • | Impairment of downstream water quality due to inadequate Sewage treatment or release of untreated sewage? | | \square | Toilets will be connected to septic tanks that will be designed to achieve maximum retention. | | |
| • | Overflows and flooding of neighboring properties with raw sewage? | | Ø | Not applicable | | |
| • | Environmental pollution due to inadequate sludge disposal or industrial waste discharges illegally disposed in sewers? | | Ø | Minor and temporary impact | | |
| • | Noise and vibration due to blasting and other civil works? | Ø | | Minor and temporary impact | | |
| • | Risks and vulnerabilities related to occupational health and safety due to physical, chemical, and biological hazards during project construction and operation? | | A | Minor and temporary impact | | |
| • | Discharge of hazardous materials into sewers, resulting in damage to sewer system and danger to workers? | | I | Minor and temporary impact | | |

| SC | REENING QUESTIONS | Yes | No | REMARKS |
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| • | Inadequate buffer zone around pumping and treatment plants to alleviate noise and other possible nuisances, and protect facilities? | | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Road blocking and temporary flooding due to land excavation during the rainy season? | Ø | | Not applicable as construction work will be done during off rainy seasons |
| • | Noise and dust from construction activities? | Ø | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Traffic disturbances due to construction material transport and wastes? | V | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Temporary silt runoff due to construction? | Ø | | Not applicable |
| • | Hazards to public health due to overflow flooding, and groundwater pollution due to failure of sewerage system? | | | Minor and temporary impact |
| • | Deterioration of water quality due to inadequate sludge disposal or direct discharge of untreated sewage water? | | V | Not applicable |
| • | Contamination of surface and ground waters due to sludge disposal on land? | | V | Not applicable |
| • | Health and safety hazards to workers from toxic gases and hazardous materials which may be contained in confined areas, sewage flow and exposure to pathogens in untreated sewage and unsterilized sludge? | | | Not applicable |
| • | Large population increase during project construction and operation that causes increased burden on social infrastructure (such as sanitation system)? | | V | Not applicable |
| • | Social conflicts between construction workers from other areas and community workers? | | 1 | Priority in employment will be given to local residents. |
| • | Risks to community health and safety due to the transport, storage, and use and/or disposal of materials such as explosives, fuel and other chemicals during construction and operation? | | Ø | Not applicable. |
| • | Community safety risks due to both accidental and natural hazards, especially where the structural elements or components of the project are accessible to members of the affected community or where their failure could result in injury to the community throughout project construction, operation and decommissioning? | | Image: Control of the | Minor and temporary impact |



English Translation of Minute of Meeting - Phase II

Mahendranagar Small Town Water Supply Sanitation and User's Committee organized a public hearing workshop on 2072/6/11. Participation were made from all concerned stakeholders. After discussion in the public hearing it was observed that there will be no negative impacts on the environment, no necessity of land acquisition and no need of resettlement while implementing the proposed "Enhance Functionality" in Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Sector Project. As such it was decided to inform this conclusion to the concerned authorities.

Phase 1

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Phase 2

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