

Institution of Local Governance Studies (INLOGOS)

I. Background

(1) Introduction / About INLOGOS:

The Institute of Local Governance Studies (INLOGOS) is a non-governmental, non-profit, and non-political organization founded on April 19, 2005. Registered with the District Administration Office Kathmandu (Registration No: 516/061/062), it operates under the principles of sub-national governance. INLOGOS is VAT/PAN registered (No: 301881746) and affiliated with the Social Welfare Council (Registration: 17825).

(2) Objectives of the Institute

1. Conduct various programs in sub-national level aligned with local self-governance principles.
2. Advocate for local governance, conduct monitoring, research, studies, and disseminate information.
3. Produce and disseminate materials on local governance, conduct capacity-building programs, and promote cooperation between sub-national level and central bodies.
4. Strengthen coordination, cooperation, and decentralization, partnering with organizations for technical backstopping and knowledge in rural, urban, and community development.
5. Provide expert services to sub-national governments, local bodies in policy formulation, planning, institution management, monitoring and evaluation, and problem-solving.
6. Arrange linkages and networking for contributions to local governance promotion and build networks at intergovernmental level and international levels.

(3) Partnerships:

To achieve its objectives, INLOGOS collaborates with federal Government and sub-national level/local institutions, associations, banks, corporations, donor agencies, educational institutions, NGOs, and civil societies.

2. Major Activities and Experience:

- Implemented 126 projects covering local governance, public finance management, disaster risk reduction, social accountability, and linkage and strengthen sectoral-governance.
- Strength in public finance, GRB for women, children, and vulnerable communities.
- Contributed to earthquake rehabilitation at Gairibisauna Deupur of Kavre.
- Ongoing projects include disaster risk reduction and management training center establishment, public service delivery research, and end line survey studies.

3. Resources

- INLOGOS is Well-equipped with physical, financial, and human resources. it is operating Annual budget of 12 to 15 million Nepalese rupees as recurrent and mobilizing project based resources.

- Pool of experts, staff, and contributing members with expertise in various areas.

4. Accolade

INLOGOS received the "Decentralization Promotion Award" from the Government of Nepal in 2017. **this is the first such accolade that Government recognition.**

5. Strategy for the Future engagement

(1) Vision

INLOGOS is a credible organization collaborating for good governance promotion, policy advocacy, and federalism implementation. Collaborating with the government, UN agencies and recognised **development** partners to promote local democracy enhancing a decentralized and participatory approach.

(2) Mission

Capacity Development for sub-national level (Province and Local) coordinating federal Government and mobilize professionals for organization management, public service delivery, digital application, and spacing affordability of both demand side and supply side. Promote and leverage economic opportunities for social change, transparency, and accountability undertaking means and measures for sustainable development through partnerships and networking with all possible stakeholders including Governments and Donor Communities.

(3) Goals/Objectives

INLOGOS aims to strengthen democratic governance, decentralized service delivery, coordination with governments (Federal, provincial and Local), developmental agencies and stakeholders to the organizational management, capacity development, and quality assurance of project outcomes implementing by different Government entities, donor and others Agencies.

(4) Values of INLOGOS

- Enriched with hands-on information, skills, and knowledge on good governance.
- Committed to building government machinery, assimilating skills for technological application, and contributing to institutional development.

6. Services Available

INLOGOS supports the government in policy formulation, conducts research for political and social economy, resource projection and planning, provides feedback for policy reform, develops plans, and supports sub-national /governments in capacity development, synergic for social accountability, and service delivery improvement. The specific clustered services are as follows:

(1) Institutional level service

- Policy formulation and essence of compliances (Economic prosperity and social change)
- Organisation and Management for the general and development Administration
- Management support for the organizational setup, serevenulervices development and service delivery

- Establishing and strengthening the Oversight services/ provision of Ambustperosn to support dispute resolution mechanism, Drafting Monitoring and evaluation framework for process strengthening and result achievement.

(2) Operational level

INLOGOS is competent for the implementation and support to strengthen the whole of Government and whole of Community approaches in operational level we offer the following services:

- strategic partnership with sectoral service entities of province and local level
- Development of proposals ensuring fund, function and functionary in place and governed(rule of law)
- strengthening intergovernmental coordination, collaboration in an economic, efficient, effective and sustainable result achievement
- practice of project cycle management that the evidence based decision making, participatory approach and inclusiveness
- technical support for the formulation of Periodic plan, strategic plan

(3) Capacity Building/Development level

- capacity need identification (assessment of context, partners/stakeholders, resources and practices (Feasibility study, program formulation/design, development of process and result monitoring tools, strategy for the annual planning and its implementation)
- Policy dialogues, workshop facilitation/moderation (setting VMGO)
- Documentation and Learning practices (tools and techniques, handbook)
- Training needs Assessment and design curricula, training aids and manual development
- Organise Trainers Training for the Master Trainers, Facilitation skills and imparting the trainings

7. Research and Development

INLOGOS is competent for the start up and improvement/adaptation approach for the business planning and development. It is conducting several research on Good governance practices, assessment of institutions and provisions of the then in the lance of transparency, accountability and citizen satisfaction.

- Research on contemporary issues
- Research for innovation and SMART /resilience development
- Research Blue economy and Green grow for the sub-national level
- Localization of Sustainable Development Goals in different level government engagement.
- Intergovernmental relation (policy coherence, methodology/approach, Human resource development and assignment of revenue code and sectors of generation)
- Any other business that emerged from the cliental level.

8. Conclusion

INLOGOS, with its diverse expertise and commitment to good governance, plays a pivotal role in promoting sustainable development and transparency at the local level in Nepal.