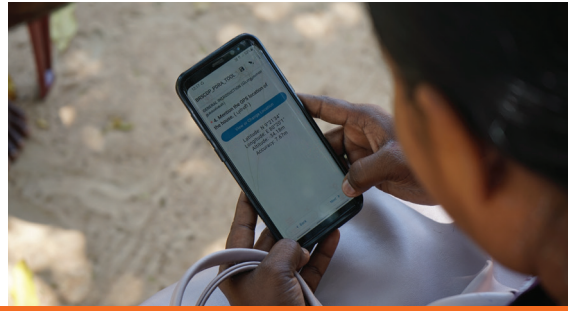


Nepal Innovation Lab



CONTEXT

The Nepal Innovation Lab (NLab) was established in 2015 as a function within World Vision International Nepal to bring impactful solutions and innovative ideas to achieve social impact. Being one of the first of its kind in the South Asia and Pacific region, the NLab aims to inspire and deliver effective, high-quality and community-driven solutions. The NLab not only offers its services to communities in Nepal but also supports World Vision's South Asia/Pacific regional and global partnership. It serves as a solution consultant, facilitating connections and collaborations between various stakeholders within the global innovation ecosystem. This multifaceted role positions NLab as a key player in fostering innovation locally, regionally,

and globally. Through its diverse range of services and solutions, NLab contributes to the scale up of innovations and the promotion of cross-border knowledge. Over the years, the NLab has made significant progress in its mission to drive positive change and empower communities. The NLab has established partnerships with private sector actors, local communities, as well as governmental and non-governmental organisations. This collaborative approach has facilitated the implementation of solutions tailored to the unique needs of different communities. As a result, the NLab continues to serve as a beacon of innovation and positive change throughout Nepal and beyond.

REACH



200,000+
Participants reached

GOAL

NLab focuses on facilitating **innovative solutions** tailored to **address the unique challenges** faced at the community level while **empowering and fostering positive change**.

KEY ACTIVITIES

-  Exploration of ideas and solutions for problems that have been identified in Nepal as well as throughout the wider World Vision partnership
-  Engage with various stakeholders working in the sector of innovation to explore and build upon new ideas
-  Engagement and relation building with development partners, private sector actors, community members, and peer organizations for funding
-  Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) action through tools such as Sikka & PDRA

-  Take discovered ideas and solutions to the prototyping and scaling phase in conjunction with and in support from other departments or partners
-  Support in the application process of grants and PNS funding through the inclusion of innovative solutions
-  Community and CSO Involvement through human-centred design (HCD) approaches and workshops for innovation programme design
-  Generating new evidences through solutions piloting and testing



THEMES OF OUR INTERVENTIONS

WE
WORK
IN



INNOVATION



PROTECTION



EDUCATION



ENVIRONMENT



DISASTER

FLAGSHIP SOLUTIONS AND SERVICES



Sikka

A system that facilitates cash and voucher assistance programs by rapidly distributing digital tokens directly to participants to facilitate the distribution of aid efficiently during crisis



KITAB Bazaar

A technology-based market solution that improves access to supplementary books for community school students particularly in rural Nepal with direct links to the largest publishers in Nepal



RPS Workshop

Rapid Prototyping and Scaling (RPS) programme to dive deep into the pressing problems from the community to co-create meaningful innovative solutions with the community



PDRA

Participatory Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA)
Tool develops household disaster preparedness and response plans for households to prepare for and mitigate their disaster risks.



Ramailo Yatra

A board game designed to sensitise children on child rights, protection issues, social roles, and harmful practices in the community and empower them to act against child protection issues.



Stories of Innovation

The Stories of Innovation podcast series talks to innovators and development partners to shed light on developments happening in the areas of innovation and innovation funding globally.



PIPER

Plastic Insulating Polyfloss for Economic Roofing (PIPER) is improving the school learning environment through the use of insulating fibres made from recycled plastics to insulate classrooms

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