Enhancing Cholera Control in Nepal (ECHO-NEPAL Project)

Project Partner: Good Neighbors International

Project Area: Kathmandu and Lalitpur District

Project Duration: July 2021 to December 2023

Aim

- The overall goal of ECHO-N project is to enhance Nepal’s capacity to detect, respond and prevent outbreaks of cholera

Project Description

Nepal is among the top 5 countries vulnerable to impact sanitation. Nepal faces flooding and landslide during the rainy season every year which often leads to breakdown of WASH facilities. In addition to all these factors, limited diagnosis and surveillance reporting raise the likeliness of cholera outbreaks, which may be challenging to prevent and control. Therefore, to limit outbreaks and prevent cholera cases through strengthened Rapid Response Capacity in Nepal following activities are planned to intervene at:

District Project Advisory Committee meeting at District Administration Office, Kathmandu
Municipality level
- Essential WaSH items stockpiling
- Handwashing station maintenance/repair work

Ward level
- Epidemic prevention and preparedness training for W-WaSH-CC
- Water Users’ Committee (WUC) Training
- Test and monitor water quality

Household level
- Comprehensive WaSH training for FCHVs
- FCHVs Tole education
- Essential WaSH items and chlorine distribution
- Community- and household-level educational materials distribution
- Adapt IEC materials

The project will enroll the activities after International Vaccine Institute (IVI) decides the project implementation municipality of Kathmandu and Lalitpur District

Project Outputs

Strengthened response focused on WaSH interventions