

# PAF In Brief

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## Why PAF?

PAF was created to address the targeted programme which is one of the four pillars of Tenth Five Year Plan in Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (PRSP). "Poverty Alleviation Fund ordinance 2060" and subsequently "Poverty Alleviation Fund Act 2063" was issued to guide the structure and activities of PAF.

## Governing Board

Twelve members governing board is chaired by the Prime Minister. The Vice Chairperson and five members are appointed by the government from the professional. Other five members of the board are ex-officio - Secretary, National Planning Commission; Chairperson, Association of District Development Committee Nepal; Chairperson, Association of Village Development Committee Nepal; Chairperson, Nepal Women Commission; Chairperson, Nepal Dalit Commission.

## Goal

The Goal of PAF is to help the poor find their way on a sustained path out of poverty.

## Guiding Principles

- Targeted to Poor--Antodaya: Prosperity of poor and disadvantaged at the lower end of conomic ladder. The last is the first for PAF. Participatory well beeing ranking and self selecting process to identify poor.
- Social Inclusion: Dalit, Janajati, Women and other disadvantage groups below poverty level.
- Demand Driven: Programmes are designed based on the needs and demand of the people. Participatory community planning
- Direct payment to community organization (CO). Community implementation and management
- Community institutional development
- Transparency at all levels

Heading		Number	Amount (NRs.)
Community Organizations (CO)	Registered with PAF	17,292	
	CO Federation Registration	513	
	Agreement	16,340	8,826,578,237
PAF Investment in CO	Income Generating (IG) Activities	16,162	7,038,647,835.52
	Community Infrastructure	2,934	1,787,930,401.42
Partner Organizations (PO)		407	
Districts Covered	Total	59	
	Regular PAF Districts	40	
	Phase I (6 Districts)	6	
	Phase II (19 Districts)	19	
	Phase III (15 Districts)	15	
	Innovative Programme	10	
	NDM-World Bank Innovative Prog.	24	
VDC Covered	POs Working	1,615	
	COs Programme Activity	1,476	
			Percentage
CO Member House Holds (HH)	Total		460,515
	Poverty Ranking	Hardcore Poor (Ka)	305,360
		Medium Poor (Kha)	115,469
		Poor (Ga)	38,889
			66%
			25%
			8%

Heading			Number	Amount (NRs.)
	Gender	Marginal Non-Poor (Gha)	797	0%
		Male	117,613	26%
		Female	342,902	74%
	Ethnicity	Dalit	139,732	30%
		Janajati	129,157	28%
		Others	191,626	42%
Total Beneficiary HH	Total		557,061	
	Ethnicity	Dalit	177,572	
		Janajati	144,013	
		Others	235,476	