



ABOUT FIAN NEPAL

FIAN Nepal is a member-based human rights organisation to promote, protect and advocate for the realization of the human right to food in Nepal. In December 2008 FIAN Nepal acquired legal status as non-governmental organisation from Kathmandu District Administration Office. FIAN Nepal was recognized as National Section of FIAN International in 2009, whose International Secretariat is in Heidelberg, Germany.

The right to be free from hunger is a fundamental human right enshrined in the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR), 1966 and many other international human rights instruments as well as national constitution of Nepal 2072 under fundamental rights.



Vision

We envision 'Hunger free Nepal with Food Sovereignty'.

Mission

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Goal

People have increased access and control over resources and enhanced meaningful participation to ensure their right to food.

Values & Norms

- Zero wastage of food
- Integrity
- Non- violence – Do no harm
- Acceptance and respect of diversity
- Issues raised and led by the Concerned Community

WORKING APPROACH

We base our interventions on human-rights principles.

- Adopt case-based approach which involves identification, investigation/documentation, analysis of RtF violation cases at first hand.
- Facilitate capacity strengthening and empowerment of affected communities for social mobilisation and other stakeholders to intervene in the particular issues/cases.
- Sensitisation, advocacy, lobby and campaign at all levels.
- Alliance building, networking and collaboration with different stakeholders at all levels.

FIAN Nepal's work is situated within the dimension of Right to Food concept with scope for working towards establishing food sovereignty. Using the Right to Food (RtF) framework, FIAN Nepal can influence change and contribute in creating progressive and positive outcomes in two specific domains.

This framework depicting FIAN Nepal's theory of change has been graphically presented below:



TARGET GROUPS AND PARTNERS:

The targeted groups for FIAN Nepal's work include communities and individuals whose right to food has been violated due to various natural and human induced reasons, among those, the most marginalized and vulnerable who have limited or no options due to various socio-economic reason.

We work closely with:

- communities affected by right to food violations and the community-based organisations.
- civil society organisations including media and legal practitioners, alliances and networks.
- local government bodies, related line agencies
- human right institutions - national and international,
- FIAN International and sections.
- funding partners.



THEMATIC AREAS FOR ACTION

1. Access to and control over natural & productive resources:
2. Social protection and nutrition:
3. Public policy and accountability:
4. Extraterritorial obligations (ETO):
5. Climate Change & Disaster Response:

Gender and Social Inclusion:

The right to food can be violated not only due to economic reasons but due to gender, caste, ethnicity and other bases of discrimination in our society. The right to food is impaired for women and other marginalized groups due to discriminatory structures that limit access to and control over resources, insecure and unstable labour conditions and exclusion from decision-making processes that affect their lives. The fight against all forms of discrimination based on gender, caste, ethnicity, age and disability is an integral part of FIAN Nepal's work. Hence, focus on gender and social inclusion will be part of all five thematic areas in FIAN Nepal's work.

KEY ACTIVITIES

- Documentation and exposing violations of human right to food,
- Casework on selected RtF violations,
- Protest letter campaigns, urgent actions, advocacy on request from affected communities,
- Capacities strengthening of right to food promoters,
- Advocacy, sensitisation and engage in dialogue with policy makers and state authorities,
- Developing monitoring capacities and promoting justiciability of the right to food,
- Development of learning materials and information sharing,
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- Collaborations and Solidarity Actions.



PHOTO STORY



Kumal Community has increased production after restoration of right to water for irrigation.



Landless Gandharba Community received 27 concrete houses from Nepal Government's People's Housing Program.



Mr. Laxman TharuKumal with his family. Like him, his community has increasingly better livelihood.



Sonaha Community will access government social security service and resources after officially recognized as endangered indigenous community.



Nepal Government and District Administration Office, Dhading owned the highway restaurant issue and continuously monitoring foods they offer to the passengers.



Construction of permanent embankment is on going to safeguard the affected VDCs of Banke by Rapti River.



Malaha indigenous community has accessed the natural resources for their livelihood.



Consultation with key stakeholders on RTF Bill.



We support Nepal Government's initiatives to achieve "Zero Hunger Challenge" following SDG-2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.



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