

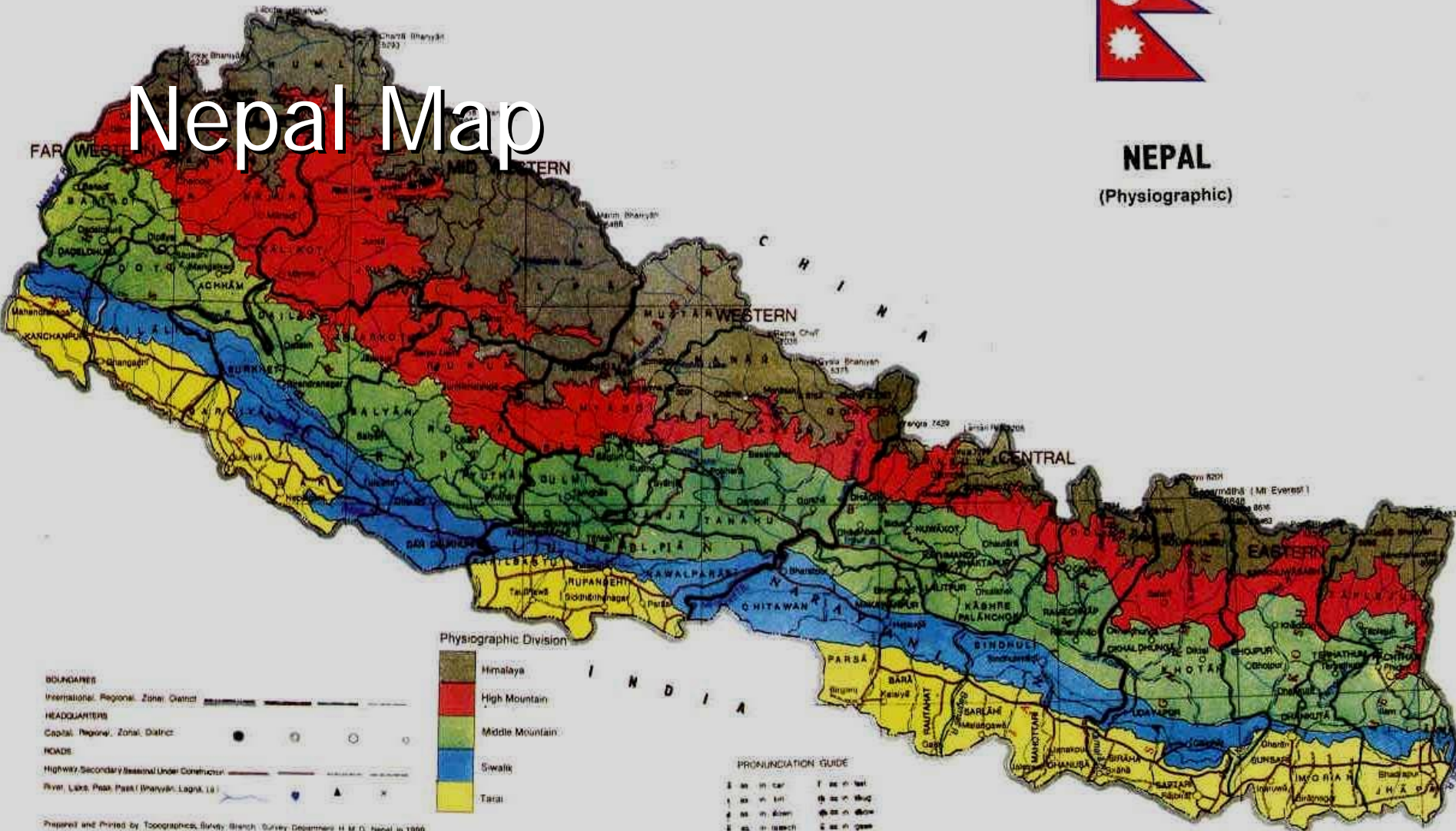
Inception Report on Disability in Nepal

**Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment
Promotion With Disabilities Work shop
management
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Nepal Map



NEPAL
(Physiographic)



Nepal in brief

- China to the north and India to the south
- Steep with the frozen heights in the north and plains with low land Tarai in south.
- The shape is little inclined rectangle.
- Population: About 26million
- Capital city: Katmandu

My Organization

Disabled Helping Hands Nepal (DHH)

- Established in 2004
- Cross-disability Self-Help Organization
- Objective
 - * Provide income generating program and vocational training.
 - * Recreational Activities for PWDs
- Member of NFDN

My work at DHH

- I have been working at DHH as a president for last 3 yrs. My home is in western part of Nepal. I have a physical disability, because of my real pain of my Disability me sacrificing me in this field. I have been providing candle making training, cross-stich and weaving training in DHH .Beside this, I will manage different kinds of activities and also coordinate and make network with other NGOs working for the PWDs through participating in the seminar, workshop, sharing idea, knowledge and by promoting my organization.

- DHH has been conducting various programs where I provide candle making training and handicraft items. From this kinds of income generating activities needy women and disable person are benefit. The majority of DHH Board members are disabled themselves. There are all together 19 staffs. Some are volunteer, supervisor and marketing team etc. 75 percent of them are disabled.

Future goal of DHH

DHH is to be capable for providing employment for the PWDs and it also advocate equal right and opportunity with equal work employment in government as well as private organization like other non-disabled people. The long-term objectives of this centre are to make neglected handicapped people self-dependent people involving in production field whatever they can produce.

Major programs of DHH:

It produce candle item according to the demand of market.

Its produce handicraft (cross stich,weaving(special target for sell to foreign custmers.

Its organizes various skill development training for the disabled women as per the need and market demand.

Its organizes public awareness programs such as street drama is different places of kathmandu valley.



Situation of persons with disabilities in Nepal

In present situation because of political policy of government, the status of disable people is not good. Disabled are neglected by their own family members and community. Because of traditional culture, lack of knowledge and education, poverty is remarkable reasons. The women with disabilities face doubly discrimination being women and disable person. The root cause of this discrimination is because of their inferior status prevailed them one of the most disadvantaged groups. They are rejected and excluded from family, community and by government policy.

Situation of employment of person with disabilities in Nepal

Recently, the government of Nepal has commended the National policy and plan of Action (NPPA) 2006, which include provision for providing a training for the PWDs from central to community level. However in practice persons with disabilities are not provided any opportunity of the job in the private as well as public sectors so most of the PWDs are unemployed.

Gratitude

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