



INTER-AGENCY COMMON FEEDBACK PROJECT Nepal Earthquake 2015

COMMUNITY PERCEPTION SURVEY REPORT

SINDHUPALCHOK

ROUND 6



DECEMBER, 2015



The findings in this report are not necessarily representative of all communities in the district. The findings in this report should be considered indicative of how community perceive response efforts.

A total of **100 surveys** were conducted in **Sindhupalchok** district:

Distribution by caste/ethnicity:

Caste/ethnicity	Female	Male	Total
Brahmin	1	3	4
Chhetri	11	24	35
Dalit		6	6
Janajati	1	4	5
Magar	1	5	6
Newar	4	11	15
Others	1		1
Tamang	12	16	28

List of VDCs/Municipality where survey was conducted:

Chautara	10
Irkhu	5
Makha	5
Pangretar	15
Phulpidanda	20
Pipaldada	10
Sangachok	10
Sanosiruwari	15
Thulosirbari	10
Total	100

GENDER DISTRIBUTION

FEMALE: 31
MALE: 69

Distribution by age:

Age	Female	Male	Total
15-24	2	6	8
25-39	16	17	33
40-54	12	31	43
55+	1	14	15
Don't know		1	1

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DO YOU HAVE ANY HEALTH PROBLEMS THAT HAVE CAUSED YOU DIFFICULTY TO MOVE, SEE, SPEAK, UNDERSTAND/LEARN OR COMMUNICATE?

No difficulty	49%
Some difficulty	38%
A lot of difficulty	13%

Gender	No difficulty	Some difficulty	A lot of difficulty
Female	48%	42%	10%
Male	49%	36%	14%

Caste/ethnicity	No difficulty	Some difficulty	A lot of difficulty
Brahmin	25%	50%	25%



Chhetri	49%	37%	14%
Dalit	67%		33%
Janajati	40%	60%	
Magar		83%	17%
Newar	60%	33%	7%
Others		100%	
Tamang	57%	32%	11%

Age	No difficulty	Some difficulty	A lot of difficulty
15-24	88%	13%	
25-39	52%	36%	12%
40-54	44%	40%	16%
55+	40%	53%	7%

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ARE YOUR MAIN PROBLEMS BEING ADDRESSED?

Negative	77%
Positive	23%

Gender	Negative	Positive
Female	74%	26%
Male	78%	22%

Caste/ethnicity	Negative	Positive
Brahmin	100%	
Chhetri	74%	26%
Dalit	50%	50%
Janajati	100%	
Magar	50%	50%
Newar	73%	27%
Others	100%	
Tamang	86%	14%

Age	Negative	Positive
15-24	100%	
25-39	70%	30%
40-54	79%	21%
55+	73%	27%



▪ **If negative, biggest problem:**

Long-term shelter (housing)	94%
Financial support	5%
Toilets/sanitation	1%

▪ **Second biggest problem:**

Financial support	42%
Livelihoods	32%
Healthcare	9%
Clean water	4%
Psychosocial counseling	4%
Food	3%
Toilets/sanitation	3%
Seeds and fertilizers	3%
Education	1%

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ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING FOR YOU AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE?

Negative	35%
Positive	64%
Don't know	1%

Caste/ethnicity	Negative	Positive	Don't know
Brahmin	50%	50%	
Chhetri	40%	60%	
Dalit	17%	67%	17%
Janajati	40%	60%	
Magar	33%	67%	
Newar	40%	60%	
Others		100%	
Tamang	29%	71%	

Age	Negative	Positive	Don't know
15-24	25%	63%	13%
25-39	39%	61%	
40-54	35%	65%	
55+	33%	67%	



▪ **If not satisfied, top reason:**

Government does not listen to my concerns	17%
Was promised relief but never received	14%
Do not trust government	14%
Reconstruction process taking too long	14%
Government plans unclear	11%
Government does not know what it's doing	9%
Relief distributed based on distance from road	6%
Renters excluded from distribution	3%
Relief distributed based on severe damage	3%
Others	3%
Can't get to distribution sites	3%
Relief distributed based on political parties	3%

▪ **Second top reason:**

Reconstruction process taking too long	40%
Government does not listen to my concerns	11%
Relief distributed based on first come, first served	9%
Relief distributed based on distance from road	6%
Do not trust government	6%
Don't know how to register for relief/services	6%
Was promised relief but never received	6%
Government plans unclear	6%
Can't get to distribution sites	3%
Relief distributed based on severe damage	3%
Don't know where distribution sites are	3%
Not included in distributions	3%

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DO YOU HAVE THE INFORMATION YOU NEED TO GET RELIEF AND SUPPORT?

Negative	17%
Positive	82%
Don't know	1%

Gender	Negative	Positive	Don't know
Female	10%	87%	3%
Male	20%	80%	

Caste/ethnicity	Negative	Positive	Don't know
Brahmin		75%	25%
Chhetri	11%	89%	



Dalit	33%	67%	
Janajati	20%	80%	
Magar	17%	83%	
Newar	27%	73%	
Others		100%	
Tamang	18%	82%	

Age	Negative	Positive	Don't know
15-24	25%	75%	
25-39	15%	82%	3%
40-54	14%	86%	
55+	27%	73%	

▪ **If negative, top information needed:**

News about government decisions	76%
How to register for/access support	18%
How to get shelter materials	6%

▪ **Second most important information needed:**

How to replace personal documentation	35%
How to register for/access support	29%
How to get shelter materials	18%
How to get healthcare/psychological support	12%
News about government decisions	6%

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ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH WHAT NGOs ARE DOING FOR YOU AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE?

Negative	16%
Positive	84%

Gender	Negative	Positive
Female	6%	94%
Male	20%	80%

Caste/ethnicity	Negative	Positive
Brahmin		100%
Chhetri	14%	86%
Dalit	17%	83%
Janajati	20%	80%



Magar	17%	83%
Newar	27%	73%
Others		100%
Tamang	14%	86%

Age	Negative	Positive
15-24		100%
25-39	18%	82%
40-54	14%	86%
55+	27%	73%

▪ **If not satisfied, top reason:**

NGOs do not listen to my concerns	38%
Was promised relief but never received	13%
Reconstruction process taking too long	13%
Others	6%
NGOs do not know what they are doing	6%
Renters excluded from distribution	6%
NGO plans unclear	6%
Relief distributed based on first come, first served	6%
Relief distributed based on political parties	6%

▪ **Second top reason:**

NGOs do not listen to my concerns	25%
NGOs do not know what they are doing	19%
Relief distributed based on first come, first served	13%
Reconstruction process taking too long	13%
NGO plans unclear	13%
Don't know where distribution sites are	6%
Relief distributed based on severe damage	6%
Not included in distributions	6%

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IS SUPPORT PROVIDED IN A FAIR WAY?

No	23%
Neutral	1%
Yes	74%
Don't know	2%

Gender	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't know
Female	19%		81%	



Male	25%	1%	71%	3%
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Caste/ethnicity	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't know
Brahmin			100%	
Chhetri	17%		80%	3%
Dalit	17%		67%	17%
Janajati	20%		80%	
Magar	33%		67%	
Newar	40%		60%	
Others			100%	
Tamang	25%	4%	71%	

Age	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't know
15-24			88%	13%
25-39	24%		76%	
40-54	19%	2%	79%	
55+	40%		53%	7%

▪ **If not, top reason:**

Based on distance from the main road	29%
First come, first served	25%
Joint families	21%
Only if damage is severe	17%
Based on caste system	4%
Others	4%

▪ **Second top reason:**

Joint families	21%
Based on distance from the main road	17%
Only if damage is severe	17%
Based on political parties	17%
First come, first served	17%
Because people rent instead of own	8%
Others	4%

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ARE YOU PREPARED FOR WINTER?

No	74%
Yes	26%



Gender	No	Yes
Female	68%	32%
Male	77%	23%

Caste/ethnicity	No	Yes
Brahmin	50%	50%
Chhetri	80%	20%
Dalit	50%	50%
Janajati	100%	
Magar	100%	
Newar	100%	
Others		100%
Tamang	54%	46%

Age	No	Yes
15-24	63%	38%
25-39	79%	21%
40-54	72%	28%
55+	73%	27%

▪ **If no, top reason:**

House/Shelter will not protect against cold	88%
Not enough blankets	7%
Do not have warm clothing	3%
Others	1%
Not enough fuel	1%

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DO YOU HAVE PROBLEMS RELATED TO CHILDREN IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD OR FAMILY IN THE POST-EARTHQUAKE PERIOD?

Yes	42%
Neutral	1%
No	50%
Don't Know	7%

Gender	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
Female	35%		52%	13%
Male	45%	1%	49%	4%

Caste/ethnicity	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
Brahmin	25%		25%	50%



Chhetri	43%		57%	
Dalit	67%		33%	
Janajati	60%		40%	
Magar	33%		67%	
Newar	47%		53%	
Others				100%
Tamang	36%	4%	46%	14%

Age	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
15-24	38%		50%	13%
25-39	36%		61%	3%
40-54	35%	2%	56%	7%
55+	73%		13%	13%

▪ **If yes, top problem:**

Health care	35%
Not prepared for winter (clothing, household)	26%
Improper school winterization	12%
Vulnerability to trafficking	9%
Safety at home (due to structure)	5%
Hunger	5%
Safety at school (due to structure)	2%
Psycho-social support	2%
Access to education (closed schools)	2%
Others	2%

▪ **Second top problem:**

Improper school winterization	30%
Health care	19%
Not prepared for winter (clothing, household)	12%
Hunger	9%
Vulnerability to trafficking	9%
Safety at school (due to structure)	7%
Violence/tension in the community	5%
Access to education (closed schools)	5%
Safety at home (due to structure)	2%
Psycho-social support	2%



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OVERALL, IS THE POST-EARTHQUAKE RELIEF EFFORT MAKING PROGRESS?

No	50%
Neutral	1%
Yes	49%

Gender	No	Neutral	Yes
Female	45%		55%
Male	52%	1%	46%

Caste/ethnicity	No	Neutral	Yes
Brahmin	25%		75%
Chhetri	60%	3%	37%
Dalit	33%		67%
Janajati	100%		
Magar	83%		17%
Newar	47%		53%
Others			100%
Tamang	32%		68%

Age	No	Neutral	Yes
15-24	25%		75%
25-39	52%		48%
40-54	51%		49%
55+	53%	7%	40%

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DO YOU FEEL THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN THE ENVIRONMENT OF TENSION, OR RISK OF VIOLENCE OR HARASSMENT SINCE THE EARTHQUAKE?

Yes	53%
Neutral	1%
No	31%
Don't Know	15%

Gender	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
Female	45%		32%	23%
Male	57%	1%	30%	12%

Caste/ethnicity	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
Brahmin	50%			50%
Chhetri	66%		34%	
Dalit	33%		67%	



Janajati	100%			
Magar	83%		17%	
Newar	53%	7%	40%	
Others				100%
Tamang	29%		29%	43%

Age	Yes	Neutral	No	Don't Know
15-24	38%		63%	
25-39	39%		48%	12%
40-54	60%	2%	16%	21%
55+	67%		20%	13%

▪ **If yes, by whom:**

Community members	54%
Strangers	26%
Family members	7%
Local government	6%
Others	4%
NGO/aid workers	4%

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DO YOU FEEL THAT THE CHILDREN IN YOUR FAMILY ARE IN A SAFE PLACE WHILE ATTENDING SCHOOL?

No	40%
Yes	55%
Don't know	5%

Gender	No	Yes	Don't know
Female	42%	58%	
Male	39%	54%	7%

Caste/ethnicity	No	Yes	Don't know
Brahmin	25%	75%	
Chhetri	37%	54%	9%
Dalit	67%	33%	
Janajati	80%	20%	
Magar	50%	50%	
Newar	47%	53%	
Others		100%	
Tamang	29%	64%	7%



Age	No	Yes	Don't know
15-24	13%	75%	13%
25-39	39%	58%	3%
40-54	37%	56%	7%
55+	60%	40%	

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DO YOU NEED TO REBUILD, REPAIR OR RETROFIT YOUR HOME BECAUSE OF DAMAGE CAUSED BY EARTHQUAKES?

Yes	86%
No	10%
Don't know	4%

Gender	Yes	No	Don't know
Female	87%	6%	6%
Male	86%	12%	3%

Caste/ethnicity	Yes	No	Don't know
Brahmin	100%		
Chhetri	80%	11%	9%
Dalit	67%	33%	
Janajati	100%		
Magar	83%	17%	
Newar	80%	20%	
Others	100%		
Tamang	96%		4%

Age	Yes	No	Don't know
15-24	100%		
25-39	82%	12%	6%
40-54	88%	7%	5%
55+	80%	20%	

- **If yes, where do you plan to get resources or funds to rebuild/repair/retrofit your home?**

Government grant	71%
Government loan	22%
Personal loan (financial institution)	3%
Personal loan (informal)	1%
Assistance from private company/tourists/charities	1%



I/NGO support

1%

▪ **If yes, what factors do you base yours rebuild/repair/retrofitting decisions on?**

Confidence in government support	60%
Building requirements released by government	14%
Concern about another earthquake/aftershocks	12%
Availability of financial support	6%
Information about assistance from NGOs	2%
Availability of community/family to assist	2%
Gathering enough resources to rebuild entire house at once	1%
Waiting for demolition assistance	1%
Confidence in ability to rebuild safely	1%

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DO YOU FEEL YOUR COMMUNITY HAS RECOVERED FROM THE EARTHQUAKE?

No	67%
Neutral	1%
Yes	30%
Don't Know	2%

Gender	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't Know
Female	65%		32%	3%
Male	68%	1%	29%	1%

Caste/ethnicity	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't Know
Brahmin	50%		25%	25%
Chhetri	71%	3%	26%	
Dalit	83%		17%	
Janajati	100%			
Magar	50%		50%	
Newar	80%		13%	7%
Others			100%	
Tamang	54%		46%	

Age	No	Neutral	Yes	Don't Know
15-24	75%		25%	
25-39	70%		27%	3%
40-54	63%	2%	35%	
55+	67%		27%	7%



▪ **If not, what is the main thing your community need to recover:**

Repair/reconstruction of community buildings	37%
Repair/reconstruction of schools	21%
Safe spaces for women and children	12%
Livelihood options/training	12%
Reconstruction advice/training	9%
News on government decisions	3%
Improved access to water/sanitation	3%
Proper functioning of local government	1%
Repair of cultural sites	1%
Reduce risk of future disasters	1%

▪ **Second main thing:**

Livelihood options/training	21%
Repair/reconstruction of schools	16%
Reconstruction advice/training	16%
Safe spaces for women and children	13%
Reduce risk of future disasters	10%
Repair/reconstruction of community buildings	6%
Improved access to water/sanitation	4%
Improved market access	3%
Financial support	3%
Repair of cultural sites	3%
News on government decisions	3%
Proper functioning of local government	1%

End of Report