

Enhancing livelihoods and food security from agroforestry and community forestry in



Key details

Location

Nepal

Duration

Start Apr 2013

End Jun 2018

Budget

AUD 2,499,999

Commissioned organisation

The University of Adelaide

Partners

Department of Forests; Federation of Community Forest Users; Nepal; ForestAction Nepal; International Union for Conservation of Nature; Nepal Agroforestry Foundation; SEARCH Nepal; Tribhuvan University; University of New South Wales; World Agroforestry Centre

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Program

Forestry

Project code

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systems and community forests to generate livelihoods and food security in the mid-hills region of Nepal.

Nepal is the 17th poorest country in the world; 41% of the population are under-nourished and 30 of its 75 districts are food insecure. 66% of the population live off a combination of agriculture and forest products. Low productivity, sub-optimal management, limited marketing opportunities, and inequitable centralised planning and service delivery prevent forestry systems from providing adequate livelihoods.

This project improved management of agroforestry and community forestry systems through biophysical practices and institutional and governance models. It also provided insights into improving existing markets, creating markets for forest products, and bringing abandoned agricultural land back into productive and equitable use.



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Overview

This project aimed to enhance the capacity of household agroforestry