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## Making the Voices of Communities Heard and Count in SDG implementation



### Developing Citizen Generated Data Toolkit in Nepal

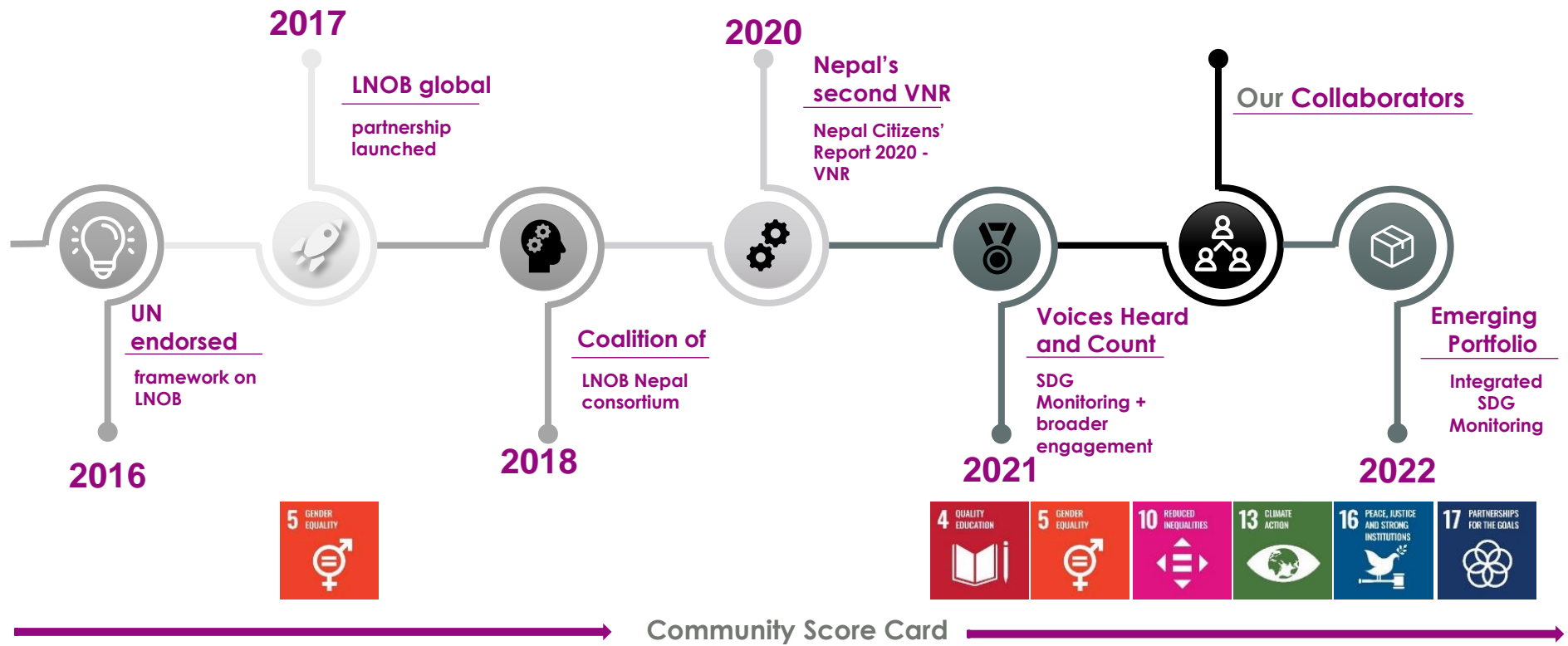
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# SDG Monitoring : Citizen's Engagements



## Our Collaborators

## SDG Data Partnership Initiative

- National Planning Commission
- Central Bureau Statistic
- National Human Rights Commission

SDG 5: Gender Equality – working with partners on gender  
(Beyond Beijing Committee)

SDG 5, SDG10, & SDG16: working with partners with multiple partners  
(BBC as technical partner with AYON , YAN)



SDG 5: Gender Equality – working with partners on gender and youth  
(BBC continued partnership as technical partner with AYON )

SDG 4 , SDG 5, SDG10, SDG 13, SDG 16 & SDG17: working with multiple partners  
(LNOB Members, Youth partners, SDG forum for extensively )



# Why CGD?



Underlying discrimination and unequal power relations



CSO's capacity on SDG monitoring being low or questioned



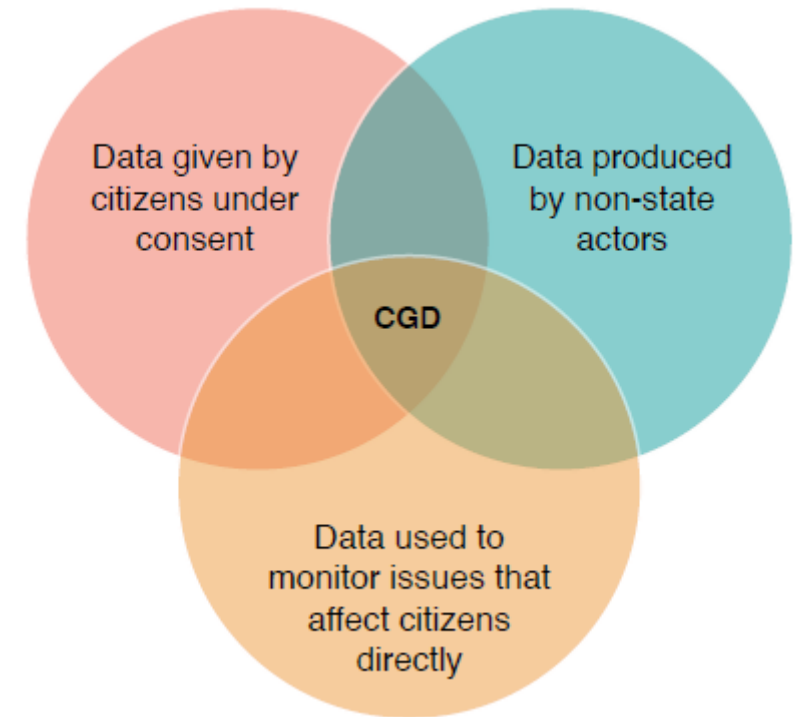
No standard mechanism of generating citizen led data



Legitimacy of citizen-generated data – concerns pertaining to the data quality



Citizen generated data has a huge meaning but investment very low



# CGD Toolkit initiators in Nepal

NGO Federation of Nepal, Beyond Beijing Committee Nepal, Youth Advocacy Nepal, and VSO on behalf of the Leave No One Behind coalition Nepal have been closely working on CGD under the joint project of GIZ / Partners for Review (P4R), the Danish Institute for Human Rights and the International Civil Society Centre:  
“Inclusive SDG Data Partnerships

This toolkit is prepared after series of consultations made with government officials, CSO leaders, campaigners and experts.

## Wider Stakeholders Engagement-

Reflect, share and learn about the data ecosystem in SDG monitoring.

Inputs and experiences collected from youth capacity building workshop organized by Youth Advocacy Nepal (YAN)

Community consultations organized by Beyond Beijing Committee (BBC) have also been incorporated in this document

Valuable inputs from state institutes mainly Central Bureau of Statistics, and National Human Rights Commission



## CGD Toolkit and its purpose

- To produce data by CSO, and cross-check the data collected by Government
- Facilitate production of quality CGD
- Use and recognition of CGD in public policy and contribution to official statistics
- CGD aims to give voice to people and enable their rights
  - Complement official statistics, spotlighting gaps and indicating solutions;
  - Provide evidence to support communities and CSOs in advocating and claiming people's rights

Toolkit can serve **two purposes for CGD producers**:

- ✓ A checklist of items to consider when planning the CGD collection
- ✓ A framework
  - ✓ To identify areas that are in line with the quality requirements for official statistics and
  - ✓ areas that deviate from what is required for official statistics



# Use of the CGD



CGD are collected for various objectives that can be categorized into 4 broad levels:



Level 1: Increasing public understanding (community engagement and education)



Level 2: Carrying out scientific studies and research



Level 3: Using data to inform legal and policy actions



Level 4: Using data to give (marginalised) citizens a platform, increasing their agency



# Capacity building in countries for CSOs



Support with planning/preparation for the collection of community generated data



Support with understanding and principles of data quality, processing, linking data and storage



Support with publication, dissemination and impact of country data



Documenting, compiling and disseminating successful cases of using CGD for policymaking.



# Operationalize the Toolkit for public policy

- Organizing exchange meetings with CSOs, NSOs and national policymaking entities such as the planning ministry and SDG units
- CSOs capacity Development
- Empowerment and leadership development- at community level
- Action Plan in Service delivery at local level
- Bring government in the process
- Building Legitimacy of data





# Way forwards

- Institutionalize CGD procedures with strong accountability of government and CSO engagement
- Empower and capacitate marginalized communities to raise their voices and collect evidences
- Influence on adopting CGD for people centred planning and development



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