
Peacebuilding Innovations in Nepal: Challenges ahead

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Peacebuilding

Holistic approach

Address the root causes of conflict

Coherent, integrated process

Prevent conflict or post-conflict

Regional approach

Field presences

Map of Nepal



Nepal: Basic data

- Landlocked between India and China
 - 24 million people
 - 100 caste and ethnic groups
 - More than 92 languages are spoken
 - Hinduism (80%), Buddhism (10%) and Islam (4 %) others (6%)
 - ranks 142nd of UNDP Human Development index
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Conflict



Conflict



Root causes of the conflict

- High economic inequality
 - Marginalization of ethnic and disadvantaged groups
 - Gender and caste-based discrimination Low levels of education and employment
 - Disconnect between Kathmandu elites and population in rural areas
 - Lack of representative, transparent, and participatory democracy
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UN Security Council Resolution 1740 of 23 January 2007

- Establishes the United Nations political mission in Nepal (UNMIN) with the following mandate:
 - A. To monitor the management of arms and armed personnel of both sides and assist in the monitoring of the ceasefire arrangements;
 - B. To provide technical support for the planning, preparation and conduct of the election of a Constituent Assembly in a free and fair atmosphere
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Election



Election ...



Consequences of the conflict

- Formation of two armies
 - Personal and public insecurity
 - Lack of basic services
 - Human Rights violations and weak security and judicial systems
 - Land and property issues
 - Youth unemployment
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Challenges and PB strategy

- Continued support to peace process
 - Constitution-making
 - Integration of the two armies
 - Consolidation of state institutions and local governance
 - Social inclusion
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Challenges and PB strategy...

- Transitional justice
 - Recovery and delivery of basic services
 - Youth employment and economic development
 - Reintegration of former combatants
 - Land issues
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