

ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL PERFORMANCE MCC NEPAL COMPACT

THE MCC NEPAL COMPACT is committed to integrating environmental and social safeguards into project design and implementation.

GOALS AND GUIDING PROJECT VALUES:

Reduce poverty through sustainable, inclusive economic growth. MCC's commitments are in line with the International Finance Corporation's **Performance Standards on Environmental and Social Sustainability** – a leading global benchmark for sustainable development.

- The Compact's projects will improve the **reliability** of electricity delivery and introduce safer, sustainable road maintenance technologies.
- **Environmentally friendly** power sources and **sustainable** road maintenance will help preserve Nepal's natural resources.
- Working within the context of **Nepali laws and regulations, and international standards**, environmental and social challenges and risks have been identified and analyzed.
- Areas of environmental, social, and cultural importance will be avoided where possible.
- We work closely with Nepali regulators and local communities to **minimize environmental and social impacts**.
- We work directly with local stakeholders to promote **open dialogue and social and cultural engagement**.
- Where the project impacts forested areas, we will reforest land in an amount equal to the land affected.
- Project-affected communities will be compensated and offered **new opportunities to restore or improve livelihoods**.

Ultimately, economic growth that is both environmentally and socially sustainable ensures healthier communities and a vibrant future for all Nepali people.

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