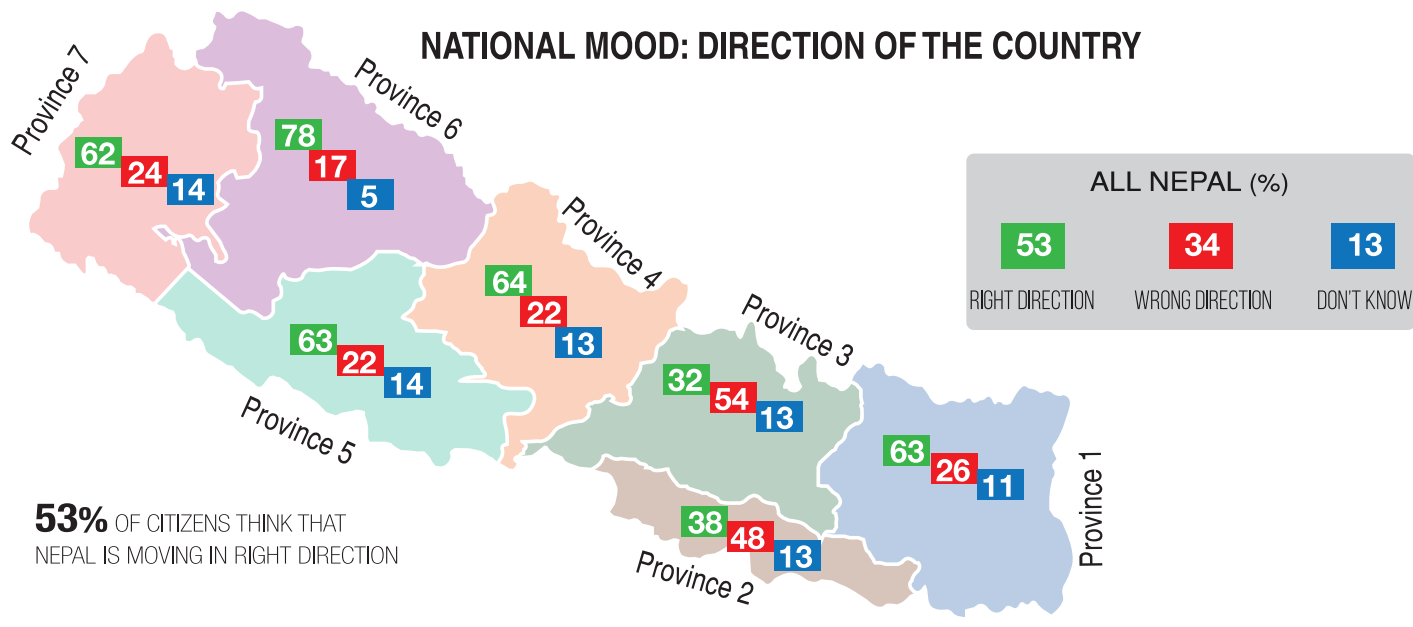


A Survey of the Nepali People in 2017

During 2017, Nepal took historic steps towards implementation of its 2015 constitution by successfully completing elections to local, provincial, and federal government. As the country transitions to a federal governance structure, The Asia Foundation's annual survey asks 7,202 Nepalis their opinion of the unfolding political context, governance, and development issues.

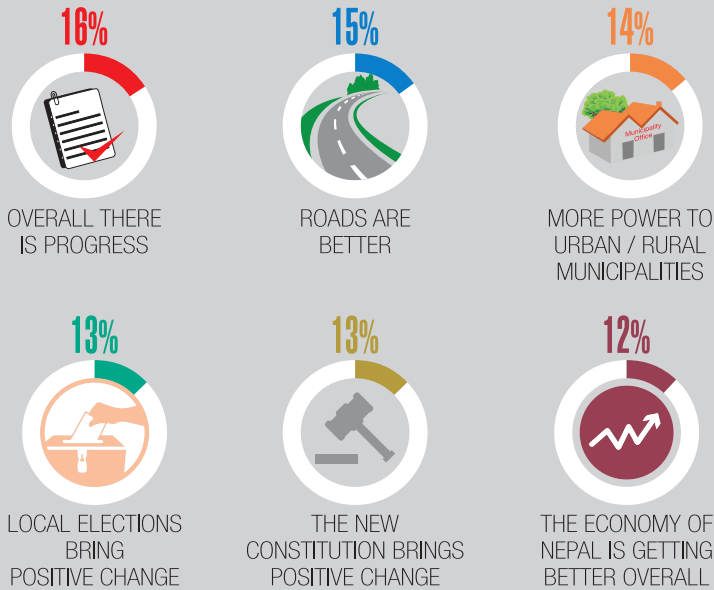
NATIONAL MOOD: DIRECTION OF THE COUNTRY



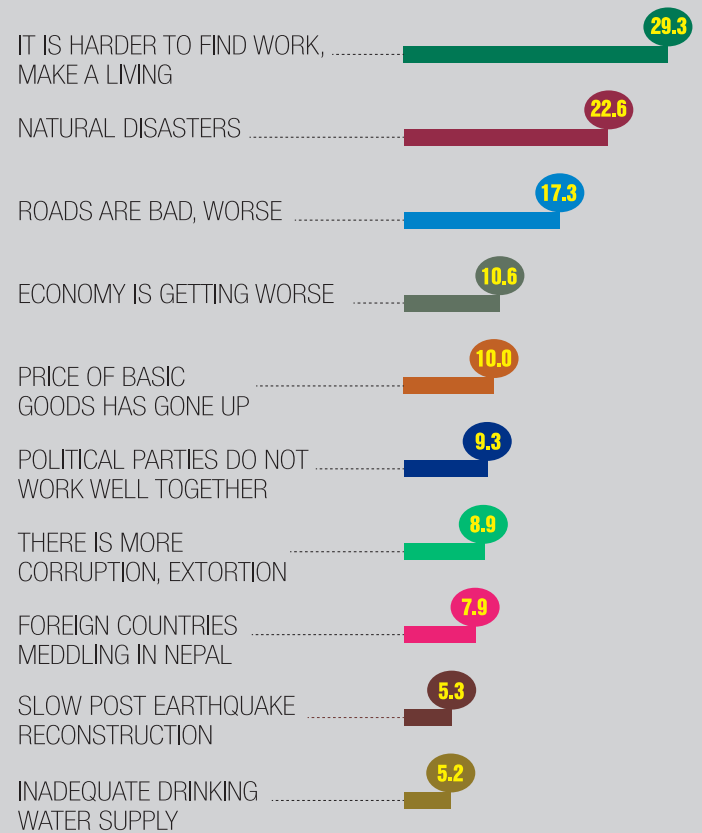
SURVEY SAMPLE

- 7,202 randomly selected respondents from 599 randomly selected wards across the country
- All respondents aged 18 or above: 51.8% women, 48.2% men
- Results are representative of the entire population at the national and provincial level
- Error margin at the national level: +/- 1.2% at a 95% confidence level
- Error margin at the provincial level: +/- 3% at a 95% confidence level
- Fieldwork conducted in September and October 2017

REASONS FOR OPTIMISM



BIGGEST PROBLEMS IN NEPAL (%)



SENSE OF SAFETY (%)



SAFE

UNSAFE

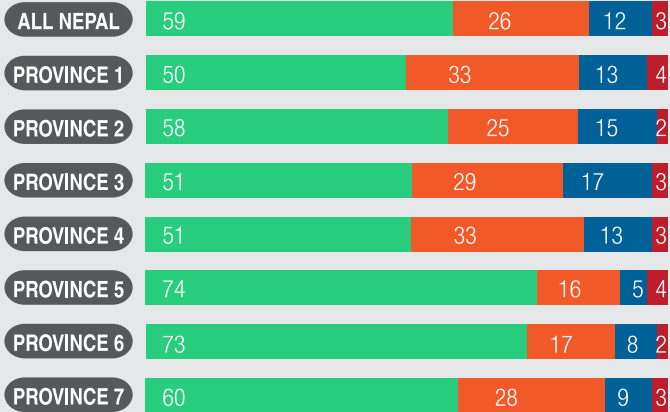


PREFERRED AVENUES FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION, BY DISPUTE TYPE (%)

| | DISPUTE OVER LAND | DISPUTE OVER DEBT | DOMESTIC VIOLENCE | CRIME |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
| TRADITIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION | 21.8 | 23.3 | 17.4 | 11.4 |
| POLICE | 12.4 | 24.0 | 33.3 | 68.0 |
| FRIENDS AND FAMILY | 10.1 | 14.1 | 11.0 | 3.9 |
| WARD CHAIRPERSON / FORMER VDC SECRETARY | 8.4 | 7.2 | 4.1 | 3.2 |
| MAYOR / RURAL MUNICIPALITY CHAIR | 6.2 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 2.3 |
| COMMUNITY MEDIATOR / SOCIAL MOBILIZER | 5.7 | 7.4 | 4.7 | 2.6 |
| LAND REVENUE OFFICE | 14.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

INTER-CASTE, ETHNICITY & RELIGION RELATIONS (%)

IMPROVING THE SAME GETTING WORSE DON'T KNOW



26.1% OF NEPALIS WOULD NOT ACCEPT TO MARRY THEIR SON OR DAUGHTER OUTSIDE OF THEIR CASTE OR ETHNIC GROUP

82.2% OF NEPALIS ARE OPPOSED TO THE USE OF VIOLENCE TO PURSUE POLITICAL GOALS, BUT NEARLY A THIRD FIND VIOLENCE LEGITIMATE TO SECURE EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

VIEWS ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY

AGREE DISAGREE



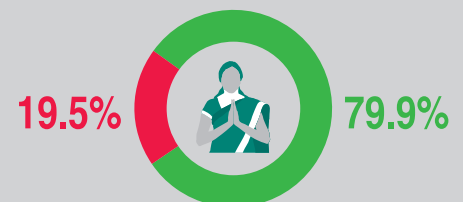
IT IS NOT IMPORTANT FOR A FAMILY TO HAVE A SON THAN A DAUGHTER



A HIGHER EDUCATION IS NOT MORE IMPORTANT FOR A BOY THAN FOR A GIRL

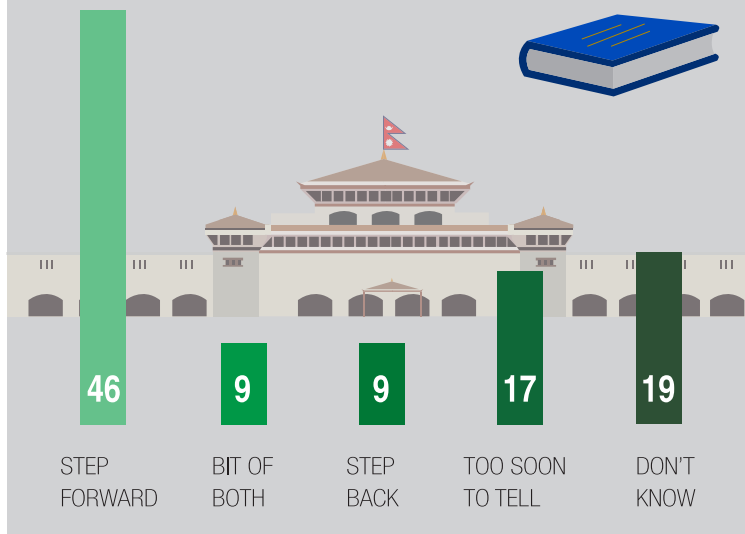


WOMEN SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO WORK OUTSIDE THE HOME

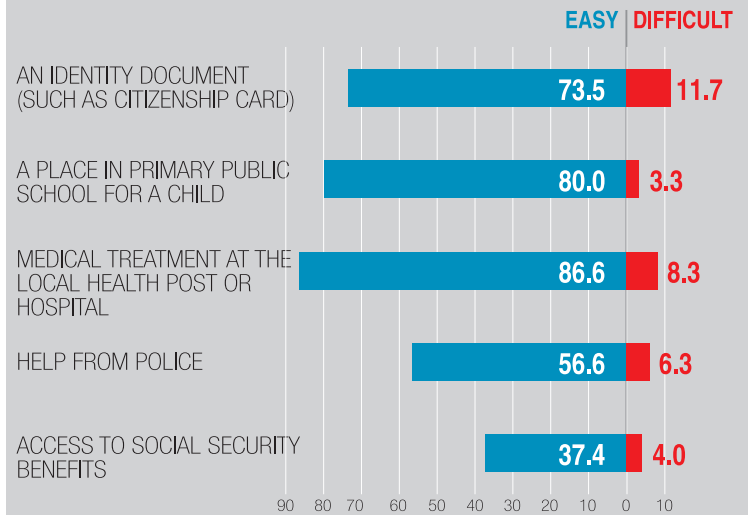


IT IS SUITABLE FOR WOMEN TO ENGAGE IN POLITICS

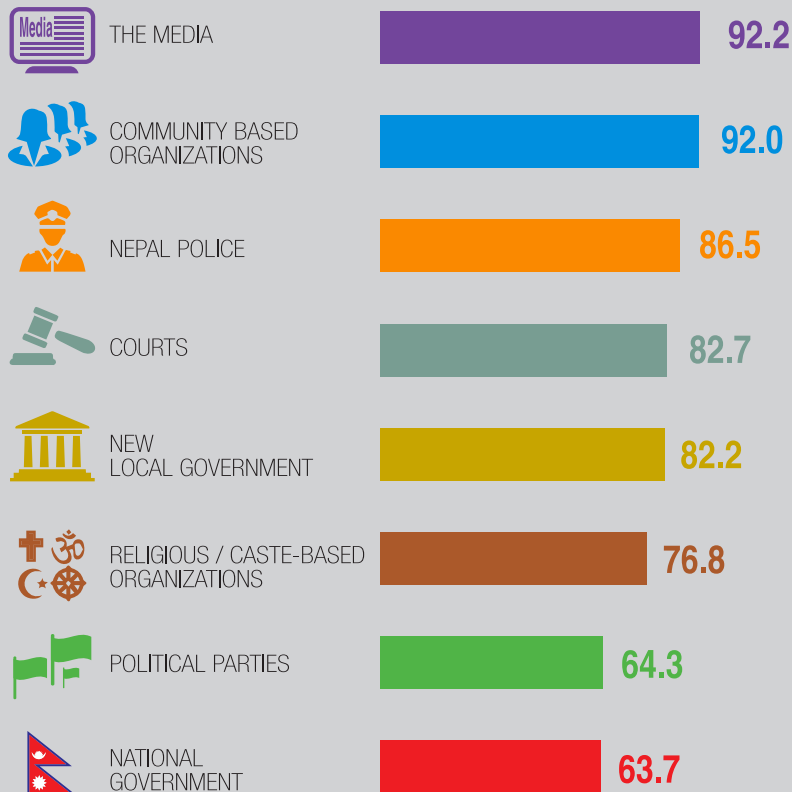
VIEWS ON THE CONSTITUTION (%)



ACCESS TO PUBLIC SERVICES (%)



TRUST IN INSTITUTIONS (%)

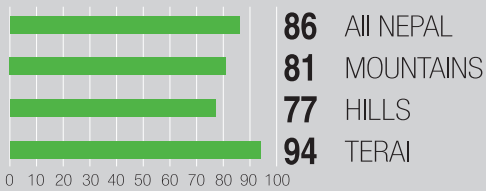


92.2% OF NEPALIS FEEL THAT THE LOCAL ELECTIONS WERE FREE AND FAIR. **89.7%** ARE HAPPY WITH THE ELECTION RESULTS.

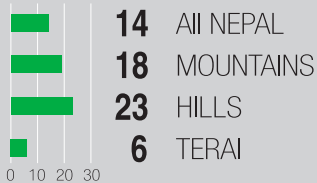
53.5% ARE OPTIMISTIC THAT LOCAL ELECTIONS WILL HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THEIR LIVES.

44.4% OF NEPALIS BELIEVE THAT FEDERALISM WILL LEAD TO IMPROVEMENTS AND **24.6%** THINK IT IS TOO EARLY TO TELL.

TIME TO REACH PUBLIC SCHOOL

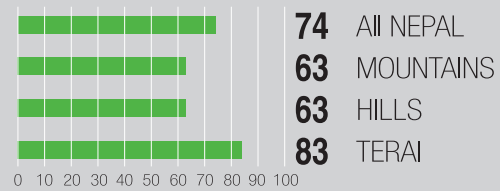


LESS THAN 1 HOUR (%)

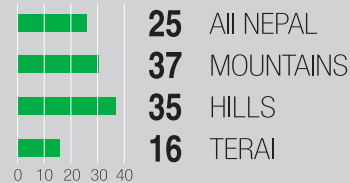


MORE THAN 1 HOUR (%)

TIME TO REACH PUBLIC HEALTH POST / HOSPITAL



LESS THAN 1 HOUR (%)



MORE THAN 1 HOUR (%)



47.3% OF HOUSEHOLDS ARE IN DEBT, MOST OF THEM OWING BETWEEN NPR 30,000 AND 300,000.

77.6% NEPALIS WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY MORE TAXES IF IT RESULTED IN IMPROVEMENTS IN THE QUALITY OF ROADS, EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE.

24.9% HOUSEHOLDS RECEIVE REMITTANCES FROM ABROAD.

84.1% ARE OPTIMISTIC THAT ECONOMIC WELFARE OF THEIR HOUSEHOLD WILL IMPROVE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

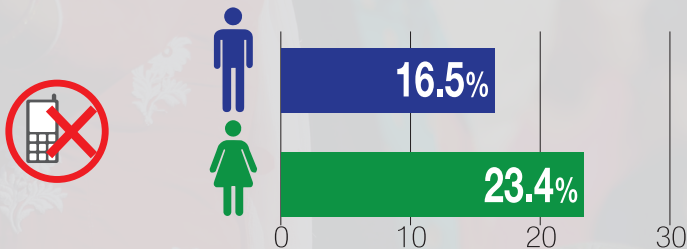
MAIN SOURCES OF INFORMATION (%)

48.5  FRIENDS, FAMILY AND NEIGHBOURS

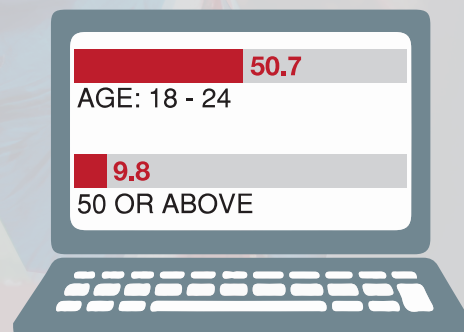
46.8  TELEVISION

35.0  COMMUNITY RADIO

20% OF NEPALIS DO NOT OWN A MOBILE PHONE



ACCESS TO INTERNET (%)



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