

Project Idea Note Template

Country: Nepal

Title of Project: Time Saving for Women Users of Biogas in Nepal

A PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Title of the project activity:	Time Saving for Women Users of Biogas in Nepal
Applicant:	Jeannette Gurung, Executive Director of WOCAN (Women Organizing for Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management)
Date of submission:	Monday, March 3, 2014

B APPLICANTS DETAILS

B 1 Applicant	
Name	Jeannette Gurung, Executive Director of WOCAN (Women Organizing for Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management)
Type of organisation <i>Please also describe the ownership structure.</i>	<input type="radio"/> Government _____ <input type="radio"/> Government agency _____ <input type="radio"/> Municipality _____ <input type="radio"/> Private company <input checked="" type="radio"/> Non-governmental organisation <input type="radio"/> Parastatal Other: _____
Main activities	<p>The WOCAN W+ Team, is conducting the first field-testing of the W+ Standard, specifically using the TIME domain to measure women's time saved as a result of biogas technology. The use of biogas digesters provides households with a clean and renewable energy source, and relieves women (the primary collectors) from gathering and processing fuel wood, The baseline surveys conducted will measure the amount of time women spend on domestic tasks and how the use of biogas has an impact on the way they spend their time. By decreasing time spent on activities related to fuel wood collection and cooking, women are freed up to pursue income generation, community leadership, education and other activities.</p> <p>This Pilot Project will also establish the benefit sharing mechanisms required for W+ certification and establish a rigorous measuring and monitoring system for project outcomes and impacts.</p> <p>W+ certified units from this project will be available for sale within a few months to a select group of buyers who understand the value of investing in women.</p>
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B 2 Project developer/advisor	
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	Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management)
Type of organisation	<input type="radio"/> Government _____ <input type="radio"/> Government agency _____ <input type="radio"/> Municipality _____ <input type="radio"/> Private company <input checked="" type="radio"/> Non-governmental organisation <input type="radio"/> Other: _____
Main activities	This project, conducted by WOCAN, will measure how much time is saved when women have bio-gas systems that relieve their workloads related to cooking.
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B 3 Co-Applicants (if applicable)	<i>[if more than one, please copy this part of the table]</i>
Name of co-applicant	
Type of organisation	<input type="radio"/> Governmental body: _____ <input type="radio"/> Private enterprise <input type="radio"/> NGO <input type="radio"/> Other: _____
Name of contact person	
Address	
Phone/fax	
E-mail	
URL	

C LOCATION OF UNDERLYING PROJECT

C 1 Location of project activity	
Country	Nepal
Region/State/Province etc.	Kavre and Sindhuli Districts
City/Town/Community etc.	
Brief description of the project location	Kavre is a mid-hill district of central development region of Nepal, part of Bagmati zone. It is situated in Mahabharat mountain range covering 140486 hectares of land with its altitude range 300-3018 meters from the sea level. Sindhuli District is located in Janakpur Zone, central Nepal. It covers an area of 2,491 km ² .
GPS coordinates of the project activity	27° 16' 0" North, 85° 58' 0" East (Sindhuli) 27.61°N 85.59°E (Kavre)

D GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

D 1 General Information	
Project name	Time Saving for Women Users of Biogas in Nepal
Project objective	<p>The main objectives of the project are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To quantify the time saved by women through the use of biogas using the W+ Time methodology and understand how women biogas have used the time saved; • To test and refine the W+ Time methodology • To identify mechanisms for revenue sharing with women beneficiaries • To generate W+ Time units that can be sold, to provide a Proof of Concept for the W+ Program.
Description of project background	<p>WOCAN selected Nepal to implement the first W+ project in partnership with the Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC) , South Pole Carbon, HIMAWANTI and AASTHA (two national level federations of women's groups engaged in the forest and agriculture sectors). The project has been implemented with 7200 women who have been using biogas digesters distributed through the Biogas Distribution Program of AEPC in Kavre and Sindhuli districts.</p>
How are women involved and engaged in this project?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - contractual¹ - consultative X - collaborative X - women-led X

D 2 W+ domains of project activity	

¹ Contractual = decisions made solely by project

- consultative = decisions made by projects and communicated to women beneficiaries

- collaborative = decisions made jointly between projects and women beneficiaries

- women-led = decisions made primarily by women beneficiaries and communicated to project

<p>Domains applicable to the project activity. Specify the domains for which you intend to prepare output and/or outcome indicators and activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Income and Assets- Time X- Education and knowledge- Leadership- Food Security- Health
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D 3 Technical aspects	
<p>Describe the link between activities and anticipated results.</p>	<p>Women will save time by using clean cookstoves/ biodigesters and be able to use this free time to engage in other activities.</p>

E PROJECT ORGANISATION

E 1 Project team	
<p>Qualifications and experiences related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - project planning - monitoring and evaluation - gender/women's empowerment <p><i>The essential qualifications and experiences should be briefly presented.</i></p>	<p>WOCAN team, in conjunction with HIMAWANTI and AASTHA will conduct baseline surveys to measure how much time women save from using clean cook-stoves, bio-gas technologies. Monitoring and evaluation as well as verification and validation will be conducted by WOCAN.</p> <p>WOCAN and AASTHA/HIMAWANTI field staff included:</p> <p>Barun Gurung, WOCAN, Lead Trainer, <i>PhD in Anthropology</i></p> <p>Dibya Gurung, WOCAN, Coordinator for WOCAN Nepal, <i>MSc in Biological Sciences</i></p> <p>Shova Karki from AASTHA Sindhuli, Secretary and Coordinator for Sundhili District</p> <p>Conducted Enumerator Monitoring and Coaching Workshop in Dhulikhel, Kavre</p> <p>Nanu Ghatane from HIMAWANTI Kavre, HIMAWANTI district coordinator</p>

E 2 Schedule	
Current project status (if applicable)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X operating less than 2 years <input type="checkbox"/> operating more than 2 years <input type="checkbox"/> planning stage
Status of financing	
Start date of project activity (commissioning)	May 1, 2014
Permission obtained from relevant authorities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> - yes X <input type="checkbox"/> - no <input type="checkbox"/> - Other (please specify)
Project lifetime	From: <u>July 1, 2012</u> to: <u>June 30, 2014</u>
Generation of W+ Units	From: <u>July 1, 2012</u> to: <u>June 30, 2014</u>

The following section deals with (preliminary) estimates of the costs of W+ related preparation and Implementation.

E 3 Financial aspects	
<p>Costs of W+ related project activities (USD) on an annual basis.</p> <p>Please give figures and briefly explain (background of) calculations.</p>	<p>\$41,519</p> <p>List of Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaire – Coding • Questionnaire – Translation into Nepali • Preparation and Consultation Meeting in Kathmandu with key Partners (HIMAWANTI and ASTHA) • Women Beneficiaries Stakeholder Consultation in Sindhuli • Training of Enumerators in Sindhuli • Women Beneficiaries Stakeholder Consultation in Kavre • Training of Enumerators in Kavre • Coaching and guiding of enumerators in the field • Payments to 21 enumerators • Data Delivery • Data Entry • Data Tabulation • Project Coordination • International Program Advisers (2) and travel • Verification and Validation meetings
<p>Estimated annual revenues (USD) if possible.</p> <p>Please give figures and briefly explain (background of) calculations.</p>	
Financing sources	WOCAN

F W+ UNITS

Only projects resulting in Units from domains listed in F1 can apply the W+ Standard.

F 1 Domains	
Domains affected by projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Income and Assets- Time X- Education and knowledge- Leadership- Food Security- Health
F 2 Linkages to other types of projects	
Is this project registered under any other standard or certification scheme?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- CDM- Gold Standard- Voluntary Carbon Standard- Social Carbon- Fair Trade- Forest Stewardship Council- Other (please specify)

