

Emergency Support to Stranded Migrants in Indo-Nepal Border through Migrant Information Centre (MIC)

NEEDS Nepal has supporting emergency support to stranded migrants in Indo-Nepal border Mahendranagar Kanchanpur through migrant information centre (MIC) every year under, " Enhancing Safe Labour Migration through Capacity Strengthening of the Targeted Beneficiaries in Doti and Kanchanpur Districts Project," with funding support of AWO International/BMZ. Most of stranded migrants cheated by stranger at bus, on the way from Banbasa India- Nepal transit and bus station of big cities like Delhi, Haridwar, Panjab through offering food , drinks and make them unconscious. Despite of this, few migrants were come after physically and mantally assulted and abused. NEEDS Nepal supported to 06 stranded migrants as emergency support in 2020. Similarly, NEEDS Nepal has supported 12 stranded migrants as emergency support until July 2021. Most of stranded migrants come with bankrupt. Migrant information centre (MIC) staffs facilitate/handle the case and consult to police to prove the case and requested recommendation letter for supporting. Then only, they were supported by needy/humanatarian support to reach home. Under emergency support; food, shelter while doing preperation to departure to source and bus ticket to reach at home provide with coordination and recommendation to local/area police. MIC staff follow up the case through telephonic communication until reaching at home. Sometime the MIC staffs coordinate to bus-association, hotel association to provide food, free ticket to stranded migrants. For continuation such support, the project management establish 3 donation boxes in transit hotels where migrants peoples can reach. It was established in 2017-2019 phase with consultation to migrant information centre (MIC) management committee and transit stakeholders, where '**migrants donate for migrants**' voluntirely. The donated amount practice to count/collect quarterly basis and deposit in the bank account of the district migrant network Kanchanpur. The account has opened in NMB bank in the name of **Prabasi Sanjal Kanchanpur** (Ac# 00100800062272000001) Until the date 5,040 NPR amount collected/deposited, which only mobilize after the project over.