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#### Focus groups:

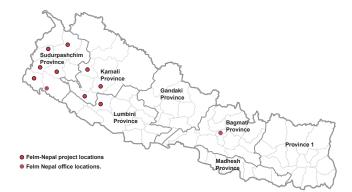
- Marginalized, vulnerable and socioeconomically disadvantaged people:
- Women and girls in rural communities
- Indigenous groups
- Landless and Dalit communities
- Persons living with disabilities

### **Emergency work**

Felm actively supports Nepal in its various emergency situations, for example flood recovery work and COVID-19 pandemic response. Felm Nepal is a member of ACT Alliance Nepal Forum.

### Where we work

Felm Nepal has offices both in Kathmandu and in Dhanghadi. The work is concentrated on Nepal's least developed geographical areas.



### Felm globally

Felm (Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission) is an internationally active, faith-based organization that was established in 1859. It is also one of the largest Finnish civil society organizations working in global development. Felm currently works in 30 countries in Asia, Africa, Middle East, and Latin America, with over 100 local partner organizations. -> The number is 27 countries currently.

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## **Felm Nepal**

Felm has been working in Nepal since 1977, first affiliated with United Mission to Nepal, and from 2009 onwards Felm Nepal was registered as an International Non-Governmental Organization (INGO) when the first general agreement with the Social Welfare Council was signed. Felm Nepal is implementing two programs in Nepal:

- Development cooperation program funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland 2022-2025
- Freed Haliya Empowerment Project funded by the European union 2020-2023

All the work is done through local Nepali partner organizations. We design and implement our work in close coordination with local, provincial, and federal government of Nepal. Funding is received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland, European union, as well as other supporters, such as Finnish parishes and individual donors.

#### Thematic areas:

- Community Development
- Rights of persons with disabilities
- Sustainable livelihoods
- Climate change and disaster risk reduction
- Human rights advocacy
- Policy planning and implementation support to all tiers of Government in Nepal



## PROJECTS

# 1. LI-BIRD: Strengthening farmers' livelihoods (SAKCHYAM)

- **Partner:** Local Initiatives for Biodiversity, Research and Development (LI-BIRD)
- **Goal:** Improved and diversified food and nutrition security and income opportunities, improved climate change adaptation and disaster risk management.
- Working areas: Kanchanpur and Doti

# 2. SAHAS: Building climate resilient villages (PAILA)

- Partner: Group of Helping Hands (SAHAS) Nepal
- Goal: Increased food production, nutrition and income through climate resilient, ecological agriculture and green market enterprises.
  Implementing climate resilient and disaster risk reduction plans.
- Working areas: Kalikot and Jajarkot

## 3. CMC: Developing school mental health (SMHP)

- **Partner:** Centre for Mental Health and Counselling (CMC) Nepal
- Goal: Access to improved quality learning by school going children. The project has positive affect to psycho-social promotion of school going children.
- Working areas: Kalikot and Jajarkot

### 4. CMC: Enhancing psychosocial well-being of migrant workers (PARBARDHAN)

- **Partner:** Centre for Mental Health and Counselling (CMC) Nepal
- Goal: Migrant workers and their families have improved their mental health and psychosocial wellbeing.
- Working areas: Kailali and Salyan

- 5. KOSHISH: Strengthening psychosocial disability rights (SAMAAHIT)
- **Partner:** KOSHISH, National Mental Health Self Help Organization
- Goal: Psychosocial disability is mainstreamed in the governance of Sudurpaschim Province and Karnali Province through policy engagement, social inclusion and selfadvocacy.
- Working areas: Surkhet and Kailali

## 6. Forward Looking: Education support for people with disabilities (SHAIKSHIK SAHAYOG KARYAKRAM)

- **Partner:** Forward Looking
- **Goal:** Children and young adults with disabilities have increased their reach to quality education in an accessible educational institution.
- Working areas: Karnali and Sudurpaschim Province

## 7. Empowering Freed Haliyas, Nepal's exbonded laborers (ADHICAR)

- Partners: Campaign for Human Rights and Social Transformation Nepal (CAHURAST), Rastriya Haliya Mukti Samaj Federation Nepal (RHMSFN), The Lutheran World Federation (LWF)
- Goal: Contributing to the Nepali Civil Society Organizations' efforts to combat discrimination of various disadvantaged groups - especially freed Haliyas, persons with disabilities and women, funded by the European union.
- Working areas: Kanchanpur, Dadeldhura, Doti, Baitadi and Bajhang