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| **Shared Framework Title** | Post-2015 On-the-Ground in Nepal |
| **Amount Requested** | $201,500 |
| **Detail on Amount Requested (Optional)** | Alliance for Social Dialogue/APRO - USD 109000.00 OSJI - USD 84,316.00 OSJI - USD 8,184 |
| **Background (Optional)** | Access to Justice was not a new commitment for the Government and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Nepal. However, the indicators/measures and the means of implementation of justice and legal identity had never been a priority of the government before ASD and OSJI introduced this agenda amongst CSOs and the government. We persuaded Nepal government and CSOs to realize its importance and linkage with development. We extended our collaboration with them and supported to the National Planning Commission (NPC) to work on this. Our effort during 2014 has laid a foundation for 2015 to institutionalize the whole process by the Nepal government to integrate access to justice in development plans and to mobilize community paralegals to increase access to legal identity documents. The planned activities for 2015, by building on the work in 2014, will help to materialize the support strategy of NPC and support to CSOs so that we will have s sustained and institutionalized mechanism to increase access to legal identity documents as a main gate for access to justice and development. |
| **Summary of Plans and Relation to Overall Shared Framework Goals (100 words)** | The Nepal team’s work can be divided into three strands: a) institutionalizing civil society and government partnerships in developing a shared access to justice strategy as part of national development planning; b) supporting civil society organizations to mobilize community paralegals to show a demonstrative effect of delivering legal identity services to communities with a particular focus on women through collaboration with local government; and, c) regional and international advocacy to showcase Nepal’s experience of integrating and prioritizing justice targets and the partnerships it requires. |
| **Activities Proposed (500 words)** | In 2014, the team laid the groundwork to ‘deploy’ key government actors as advocates for justice in the post 2015 framework and in the national planning processes. As a result of our joint efforts, we now have a strong relationship with Nepal Planning Commission and the Foreign Ministry of Nepal. In 2015, ASD and JI will convene civil society partners and directly provide key inputs into the national position on post 2015. We will leverage our partnership with Nepal Planning Commission to advocate for the inclusion of goal number 16 and goal number 5 and articulate a more nuanced approach on means of implementation. ASD and JI will also provide technical support to Planning Commission in setting benchmark and indicators to be included into the development plan of Nepal, to provide concrete examples of explicit links to justice and development.2015 Implementation framework:1. A thematic consultation on legal identity in New York hosted by National Planning Commission/Permanent Mission in New York in collaboration2. Grants to strengthen civil society engagement3. Support to the National Planning Commission to develop and institutionalize partnerships on justice and development planning4. National Launch of impact assessment, planning workshops5. Consultants/Translation6. Documentary on legal identity7. International Travel/ Regional eventsThe full Nepal strategy can be found [here](https://karl.soros.org/communities/post-2015-mdgs-shared-framework/files/2015-country-global-advocacy-team-strategies/post-2015-sf-nepal-strategy-for-2015.docx/). |
| **Summary for Board Reports (100 words)** | Our 2015 strategy focuses on deepening partnerships between CSOs and government on justice themes through consultations that provide opportunities for state and civil society representatives to discuss good practices and useful strategies on the ground and help move forward discussions around the ‘means of implementation’ for justice targets with a focus on the legal empowerment approach to universal legal identity. We will bring relevant practitioners together to discuss the economic and social impact of legal identity documents and assist in developing policy drivers and benchmarks with key stakeholders to leverage existing and new resources for necessary partnerships and activities. Progress on the ground and findings from the baseline study will be used for advocacy in New York.  |
| **Collaborating Programs within OSF and essential partners or grantees** | Alliance for Social Dialogue (ASD), Open Society Justice Initiative (OSJI), Human Rights Initiative (HRI) |
| **Contributions expected from Collaborating Programs (250 words)** | OSJI will provide operational and technical support in the development and implementation of the joint strategy. OSJI will contribute 22500 USD towards the impact assessment studies, convening in NY and development of the paralegal curriculum.HRI will potentially contribute 10,000 USD towards the demonstration project on legal identity that focuses on women from marginalized groups.ASD will lead the work nationally and contribute 36500 USD towards the implementation of the strategy. The contribution will support national consultations (from ASD Human Rights and Women's Rights Program) and towards grants. For the documentary part also, collaborative approach is expected from ASD's women's rights program. |
| **Statement of who within OSF would guide the work** | Hari Sharma, (ED, ASD) and Sumaiya Islam (Program Manager, JI) will co-lead including development of the shared strategies, projects etc. Neetu Pokharel will lead the implementation of the framework at the national level with strategic guidance from ASD ED, chair and JI. Leah Wissow will provide support as the shared framework senior program coordinator. |
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| **Approver (Lead)***(See list on* [*Reserve Funds KARL*](https://karl.soros.org/communities/reserves/view.html)*)* | Name | Pedro Abramovay |
| Date Approved | 14 July 2015 |
| **Approver (Lead) Notes / Comments (Optional)***(To be completed by approver only)* |  |
| **Urgency level for grant approval & payments** | ☒ **Not** Rapid Response  |  ☐ Rapid Response *(See procedure on* [*KARL*](https://karl.soros.org/communities/reserves/files/ii.-policies/rapid-response-as-of-10-november-2014.docx/)*)* |
| **If approved, where to allocate the budget?** *(If the budget is split between multiple programs, please copy/paste this section as needed.)* | Amount | $109,000.00 |
| Category of Work | SHARED FRAMEWORK: Post-2015 On-the-Ground |
| Division/Program Code | Nepal Program – Nepal Grants/411052 |
| Entity *(i.e., FPOS, ZUG)* | FPOS |
| Fund Class *(i.e., Lobbying/Non-Lobbying)* | Non-lobbying |
| Geography *(of benefit)* | Nepal |
| **Amount** | $84,316.00 |
| **Category of Work** | SHARED FRAMEWORK: Post-2015 On-the-Ground |
| **Division/Program Code** | CJI023-OSJI: Community-based justice services: 19010.010: Country Specific Tech Support |
| **Entity (i.e., FPOS, ZUG)** | OSI NY |
| **Fund Class (i.e., Lobbying/Non-Lobbying)** | Non-lobbying |
| **Geography (of benefit)** | Nepal |
|  | **Amount** | $8,184 |
|  | **Category of Work** | SHARED FRAMEWORK: Post-2015 On-the-Ground |
|  | **Division/Program Code** | CJI023-OSJI: Community-based justice services: 19010.010: Country Specific Tech Support |
|  | **Entity (i.e., FPOS, ZUG)** | OSI NY |
|  | **Fund Class (i.e., Lobbying/Non-Lobbying)** | Non-lobbying |
|  | **Geography (of benefit)** | Nepal |