Handover of Recommendations on Localizing Disaster Risk Reduction and Enhancing DRR Governance to NDRRMA for Action and Effective Implementation



On 6 October, 2024 DiMaNN, together with DPNet, the NGO Federation, and ARSOW, formally handed over a report containing key recommendations on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) localization and enhancing DRR governance in Nepal's seven provinces to the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA).

The recommendation, presented by Mr. Surya Bahadur Thapa, Chairperson of DiMaNN and Immediate Past Chair of DPNet, and Dr. Raju Thapa, Chairperson of DPNet, summarizes the voices, experiences, and learnings of local-level stakeholders involved in DRR efforts across the country. During the handover, Mr. Thapa, on behalf of the networks and civil society, expressed his commitment to supporting effective implementation. As the report contains voices from the ground level, he also emphasized that these recommendations highlight the pressing need to strengthen local governance mechanisms and improve disaster preparedness and response capacities at the provincial level.

The recommendations are drawn from extensive discussions and practical insights shared by participants at the grassroots level. They aim to bridge the gap between national policies and local implementation, ensuring that DRR measures are relevant and responsive to the specific needs of communities in each province.

The Executive Chair of NDRRMA, Mr. Anil Pokharel, received the report at his office and acknowledged the importance of these local perspectives in shaping future disaster management strategies. The recommendations will serve as a guide for NDRRMA to take necessary actions to strengthen DRR governance, reflecting the experiences and needs of those directly affected by disasters.