



INTERNATIONAL NGOs APPROACHES TO INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS IN NEPAL

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INTRODUCTION

- Nepal: socio-cultural background
- International & Local NGOs
- Underlying causes of Caste and Gender Discriminations (precarious social condition)
 - Limited access of public resources
 - 2001 female literacy 42.1% , Male 65.1% (CBS)
 - 2006 Dalits L Rate males 78% Female 55 %
 - Decrease in Poverty vs increase in inequality, Gini coefficient 34.2 to 41.1 (WB, 2006)
- Social Institution & Institutional Reforms



KEY LITERATURE REFERENCES

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RESEARCH QUESTION

- What are the **approaches** of **International NGOs** to **Institutional Reforms** in Nepal?

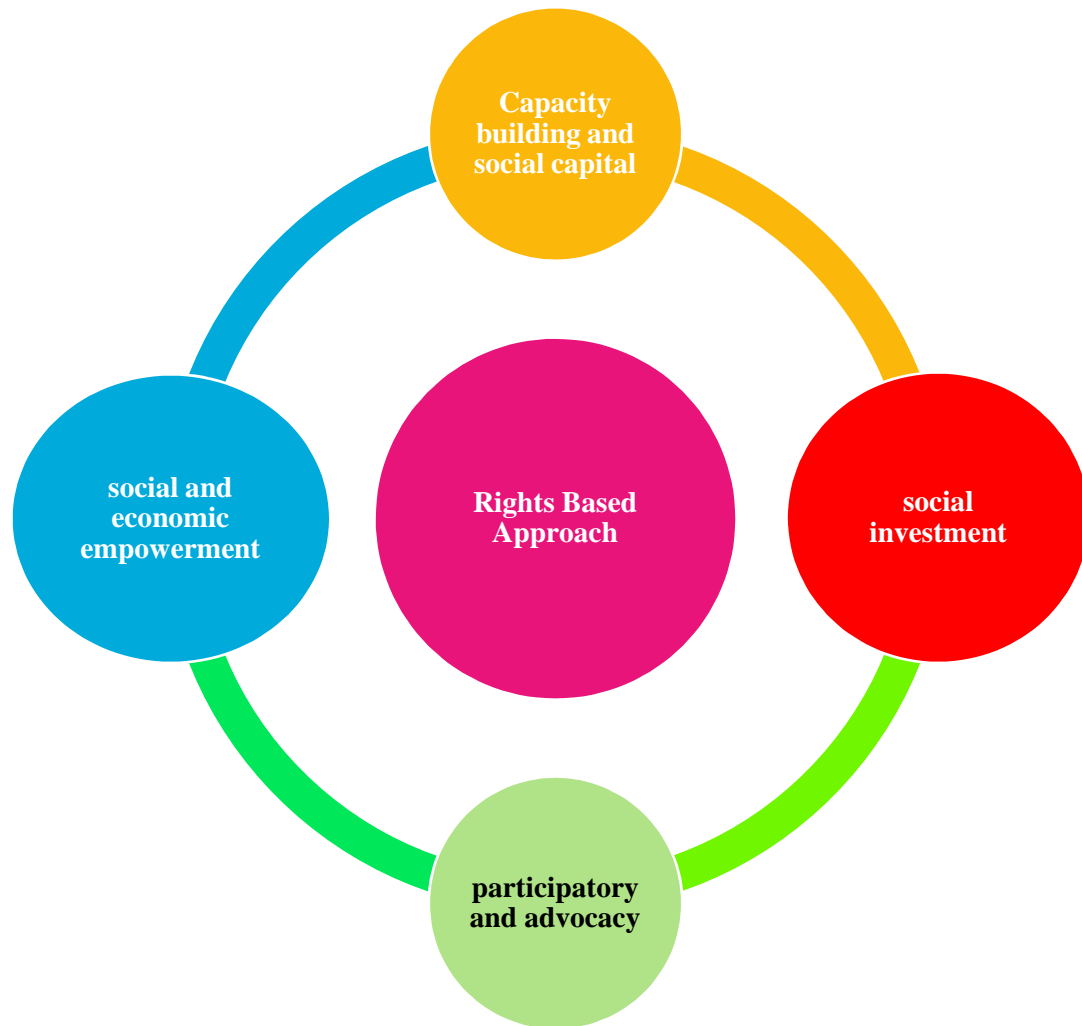


RESEARCH METHOD

- Qualitative Exploratory Study
- Purposive sampling
 - 10 International NGOs (Sources: AIN, UNDP, SWC)
 - Selected using 3 criteria: geographical focus, area of programs & working period
 - Field Study: 2006/7 in Nepal
- **Data Collection:** Interviews, F.Group, Secondary resources(total 18 participants)
- **Analysis:** Coded, categorized in terms of emerging themes, & descriptive categories were organized into construct categories ... to reach in conclusion
- **External Validity:** data analysis interpreted from dev. theories & guided by the research question



MAJOR FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

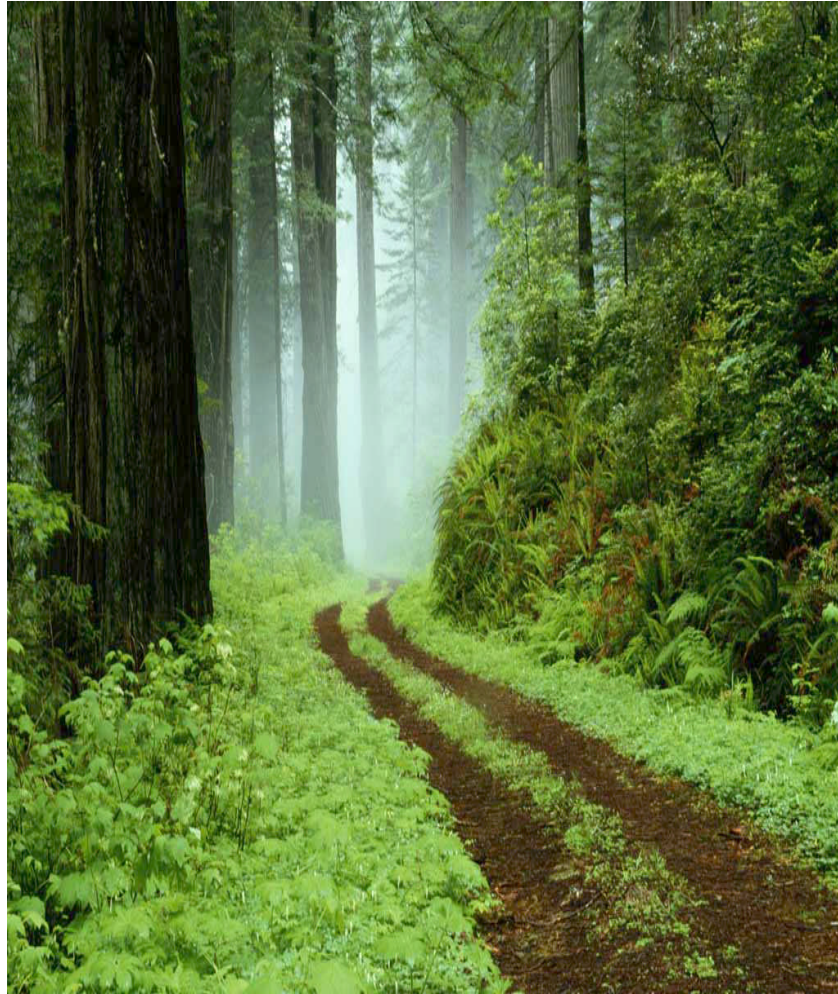


- **Conforms to Right based approach to development**
-approaches build the **capacity of dalits and women** to help them **claim** their rights and make duty bearers, mainly government and the international community **ACCOUNTABLE** to reforming social institutions to promote just and harmonious society.
- **Paradigmatic shift in development policy**
- **Debatable issues**
- **Limitations of research & Further studies**



THANK YOU!!

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