



## Nepal: Short Way to Go

On December 8, 2021, Nepal has submitted its Second NDC.

According to the Checklist for the NDCs We Want and taking into account that Nepal is a vulnerable country with a lower-middle economy and represents around 0.02% of global emissions, we consider that the 2020 NDC has **Some Way to Go**.

### Highlights

**Mitigation:** Nepal's 2020 NDC has enhanced the country's ambition by strengthening the energy and AFOLU targets and including targets in the Transport, Residential and Waste sectors. The Climate Action Tracker has rated Nepal's 2020 NDC as 2°C compatible, taking into account its conditional targets, as the NDC does not present an overall economy-wide mitigation target.

**Adaptation:** Nepal has identified adaptation priorities and actions across thematic areas that are in line with its National Climate Change Policy (2019).

**Finance:** The 2020 NDC advances by presenting cost estimates for conditional and unconditional targets. For example, Nepal aims to increase hydroelectricity generation from the current 1,400MW to 15,000 by 2030. Of this, 5,000MW is an unconditional target, and the remaining is contingent on funding from the international community.

**Inclusiveness and Participation:** In the 2020 NDC Nepal describes an inclusive process based on the principle of "Leave No One Behind (LNOB)". In-person and virtual consultations took place both at national and provincial levels, with the participation of line ministries, experts, Local Peoples, women, Indigenous Peoples and youth. The draft NDC has been uploaded for public review and feedback on the Ministry of Forests and Environment's website with a 10-day notice period before finalization. The 2020 NDC mentions structures with the participation of non-state actors, including the private sector, academia and civil society. It also presents a participatory institutional mechanism as one of the key elements of its implementation framework/roadmap/plan to be developed.

**Nature-based Solutions:** The NDC has a strong focus on REDD+ and forest-related activities, either as conditional or unconditional targets. Only a few of those are presented with measurable indicators.

WWF's NDC rating grades	
	NDC We Want
	Short Way to Go
	Some Way to Go
	Long Way to Go
	NDC We Don't Want

WWF checklist for Nepal's 2020 NDC assessment	
	Mitigation
	Adaptation
	Finance
	Fostering system change
	Inclusiveness and Participation
	Contribution to Sustainable Development
	Tracking progress
Nepal's rating grade after assessment:  Short Way to Go	

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