



# NEPAL



Development cooperation fact sheet:  
February 2020

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20	\$22.5 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$960 (2018) *
POPULATION	28.1 MILLION (2018)*

**Australia is supporting Nepal to strengthen governance to deliver services under its new federal structure.**

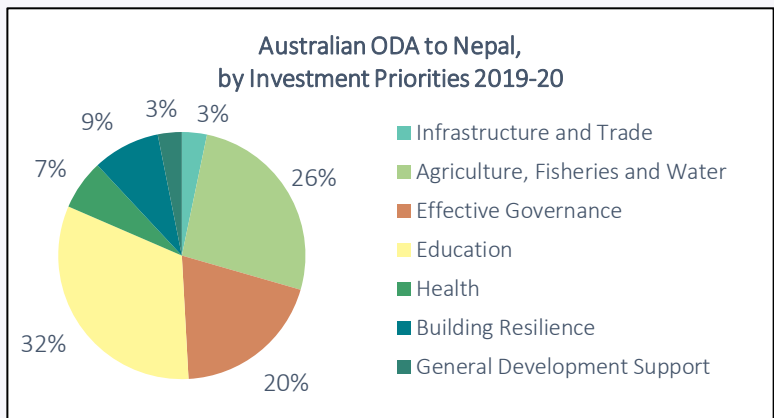
### Strategic direction

In alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals, the Australian development cooperation program with Nepal focuses on:

- building **governance** (SDG17) capacity and stronger financial systems to support transition to a new federal structure;
- support for **humanitarian preparedness** (SDG1) by building resilience and pre-positioning supplies for effective response;
- **creating jobs and economic opportunities for the poor** (SDG1 and SDG8) through support for community livelihoods and rural development;
- **gender equality** (SDG5), **social inclusion** (SDG10) and **disaster risk reduction** (SDG11) as key elements of all current and new investments including Australia Awards, regional sustainability, trade and infrastructure investments and the Australian NGO Cooperation Program.

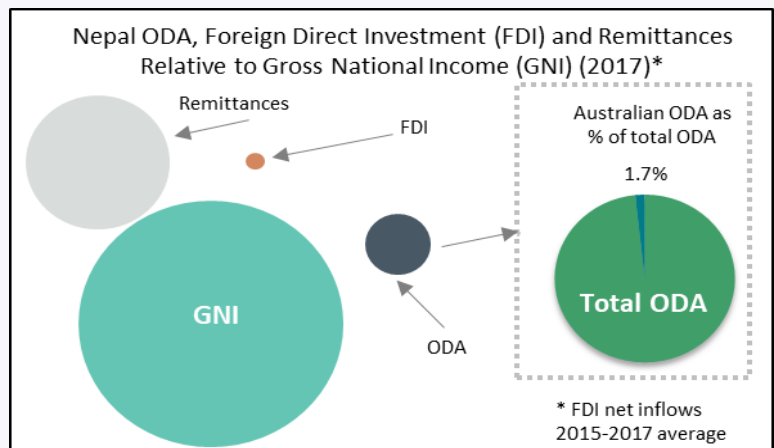
Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)	2018-19 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	17.5	15.6	9.1
Regional	6.5	5.5	5.0
Global	6.6	7.4	7.4
Other Government Departments	0.7	0.9	1.0
<b>Total ODA to Nepal</b>	<b>31.2</b>	<b>29.3</b>	<b>22.5</b>
<b>% of Total Australian ODA</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>

\*Due to rounding, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.



### Program highlights

- In partnership with The Asia Foundation, Australia is building an evidence base to support Nepali **subnational governance reform (SDG16)**. The program supported 25 local governments to enhance service delivery and economic governance through co-designing priority areas of support. Training has been provided to over 4,000 mediators to manage interpersonal, socio-economic and political disputes, so far resulting in the resolution of over 2,500 cases.
- Australia is offering 29 long-term awards and 70 short-term awards under the Australia Awards program (SDG4).
- Australia is supporting 19 volunteers through the Australian Volunteers for International Development program.



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



For more details:

[Australia's Aid Investment Plan Nepal 2016-2020](#)