

Open Migration

Perception Survey #1

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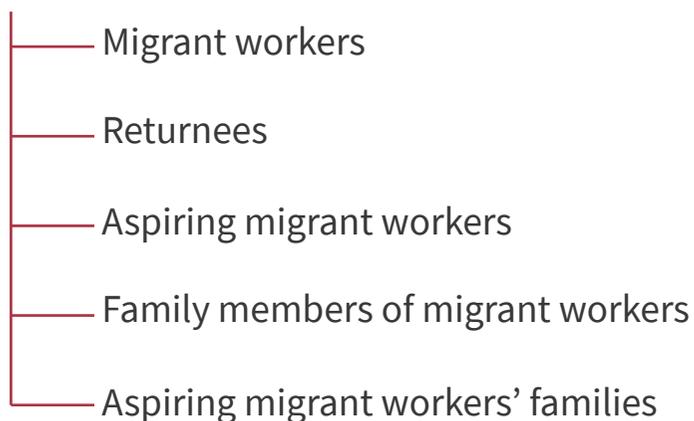


Hundreds of Nepalis migrate on a daily basis, looking for opportunities abroad particularly in the Middle-East, South East Asia and India. The flow of migrants has increased as a result of economic imperatives and a continued lack of reliable job opportunities at home. Migrants have very little bargaining power and are vulnerable to exploitation by labor agencies and foreign companies. As a result, illegal trafficking and rampant human rights abuses are common.

We carried out a survey around migration accountability in four of the most earthquake affected districts of Nepal over the past three months. From the survey, we discovered that many of the worst problems related to migration stem from a lack of information about the process, weak policies to hold labor agencies accountable and limited government capacity to respond to migration-related challenges.

The primary purpose of the survey is to gather and communicate the voices and opinions of the migrant community and synthesize their feedback in an organized way so that the government, civil society and media can work to ensure a more humane, safe and accountable migration process for Nepalis.

400
RESPONDENTS





Why did you migrate abroad for work?



Better income opportunities

31%



Difficulty finding a job in Nepal

26%



Political instability within the country

12%



Following a trend to work abroad

11%



Social Pressure

6%



Civil war within the country

5%

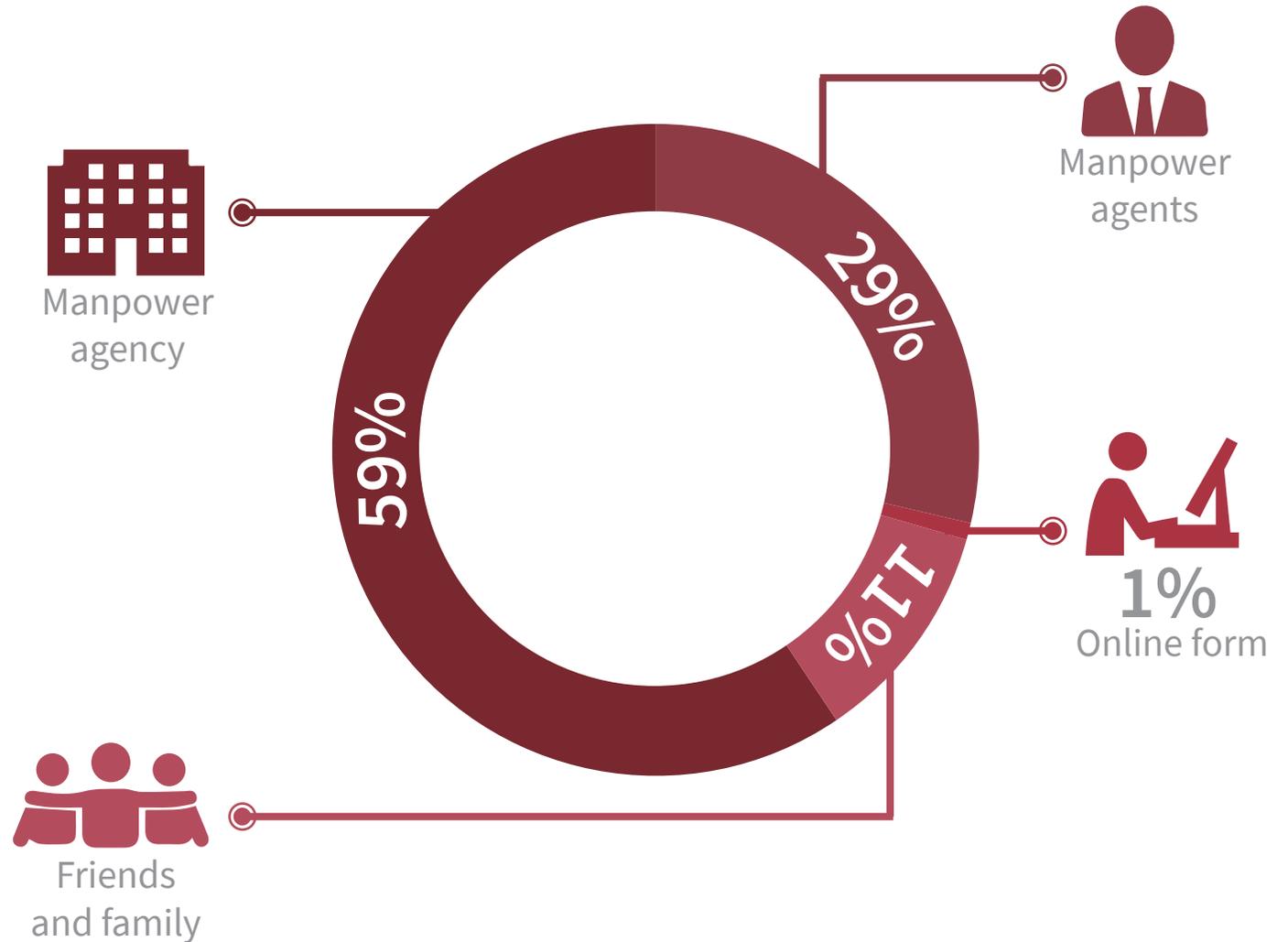


Other

9%



Who helped you get and process your overseas job?

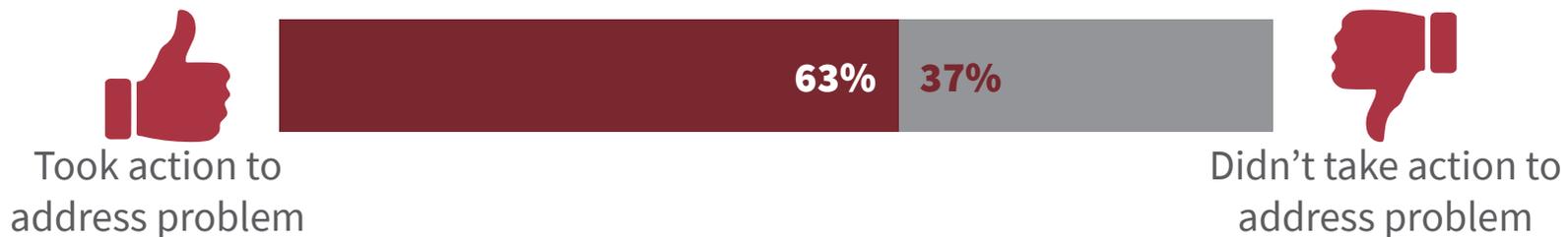
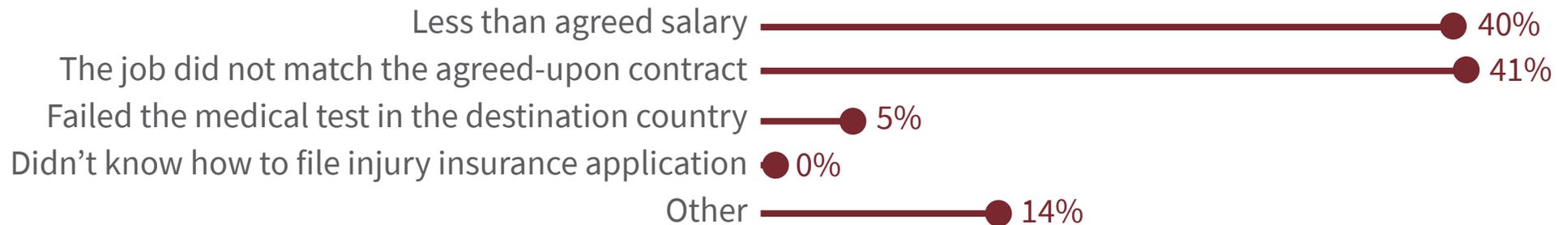




What kind of problems did you face in the destination country, if any?



55% had problems in the destination country





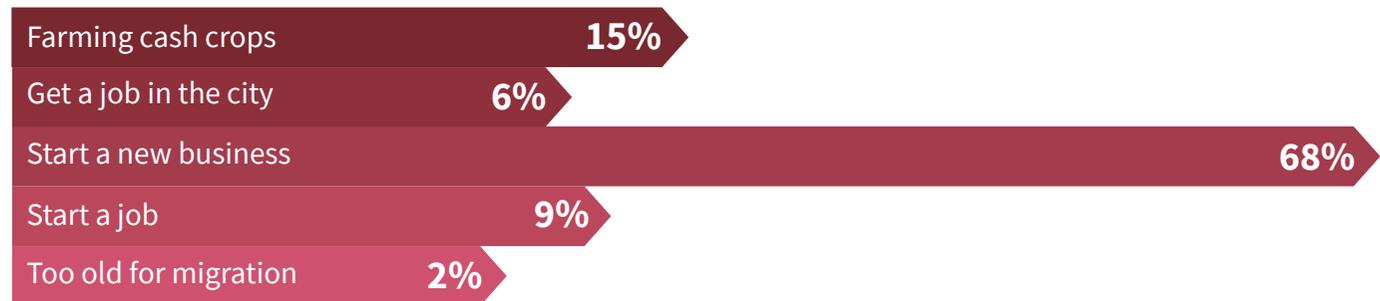
Do you want to work abroad again?



Why? →

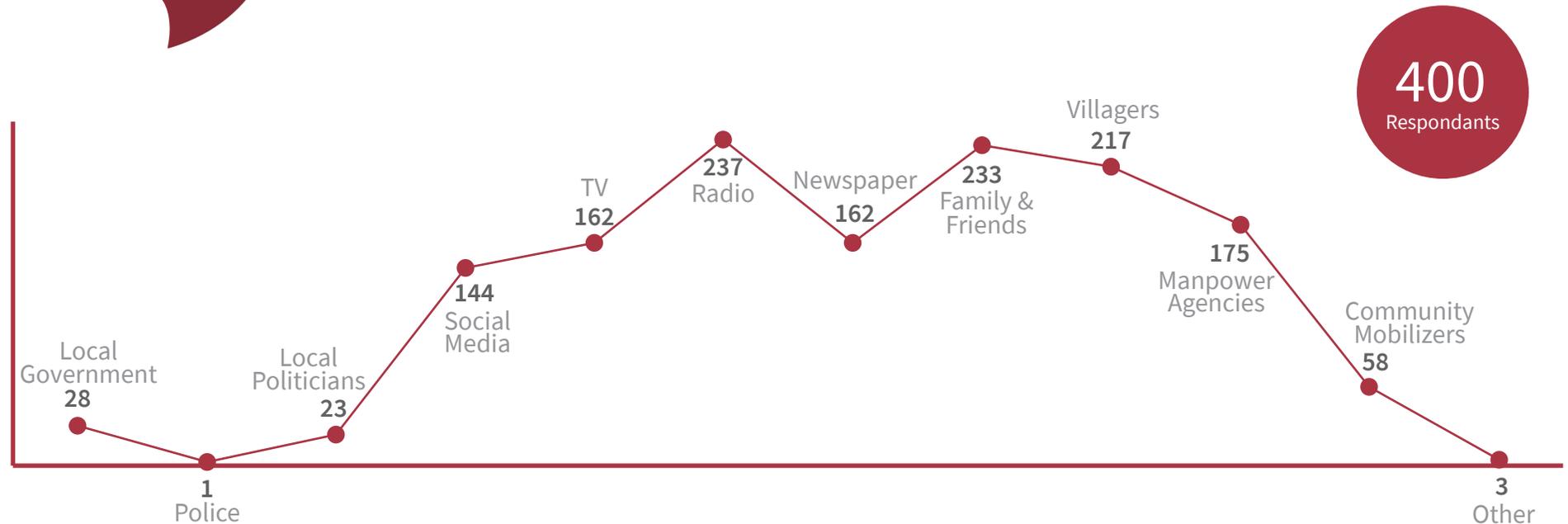


What would you like to do instead? →





What are your main sources of information regarding foreign employment?



47% of surveyed people were not satisfied with the available information. Why?

	Confusing	19%		Fake	18%
	Insufficient	54%		Other	9%

An initiative to close the feedback loop and ensure people powered accountability in Nepal

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