

The **Coronavirus CivActs Campaign (CCC)** gathers rumours, concerns and questions from communities across Nepal to eliminate information gaps between the government, media, NGOs and citizens. By providing the public with facts, the CCC ensures a better understanding of needs regarding the coronavirus and debunks rumours before they can do more harm.

## The quantity of oxygen cylinders that should be purchased and kept ready according to the capacity of the hospital

District hospitals with 25 to 50 bed capacity  
**20 big oxygen cylinders**

District hospitals with up to 100 bed capacity  
**35 big oxygen cylinders**

District hospitals with up to 200 bed capacity  
**50 big oxygen cylinders**

Medical colleges, teaching hospitals and hospitals with up to 500 bed capacity  
**50 big oxygen cylinders**

*The Ministry of Health and Population will reimburse maximum NRs. 20,000 per oxygen cylinder that is purchased for this purpose.*

Source: <https://cutt.ly/Nv345eN>

## Nepal Update



### Tested

PCR Tested: 24,17,417  
Positive: 3,03,561  
Active: 22,434  
Deaths: 3,176  
Recovered: 2,77,951

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Source: <https://covid19.mohp.gov.np/#/>

# Rumors & Facts



It is heard that the lack of oxygen puts the corona patients at greater risk. How do the patients in home isolation know that their oxygen rate is decreasing?

Yes, the corona patients in home isolation need to know whether or not their body has the right amount of oxygen every day. If the oxygen level is less than 92%, arrangements should be made to take the patient to the hospital. A pulse oximeter can be used to determine the amount of oxygen at home. It can be purchased at a nearby hospital or pharmacy.

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The government has said that it will take action against those who do not follow the health standards. Is there a place to lodge a secret complaint if anyone is found not following the guidelines?

The Chief District Officer has been given authority to take action against those who breach the health standards issued by the government and do not wear masks in public places. For this, one can go to <https://www.moha.gov.np/offices> and contact the Chief District Officer of the concerned district and lodge a complaint.

Source: [https://ccmc.gov.np/key\\_decisions/key%20decision%202077.12.28.pdf](https://ccmc.gov.np/key_decisions/key%20decision%202077.12.28.pdf)



There are rumors that the Qatari Riyal will no longer be used. What is the truth?

The Central Bank of Qatar has decided to remove the fourth edition of the notes from circulation after 1 July 2021. Therefore, the Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB) has issued notice to exchange the Qatari Riyals from the banking department of Rastra Bank, its provincial offices, banks and financial institutions licensed to conduct foreign exchange or licensed money changers by 27 Baishak 2078.

Source: [https://www.nrb.org.np/contents/uploads/2021/04/Notice-on-Fourth-Edition-Qatari-Riyal-Banknotes\\_Nepali.pdf](https://www.nrb.org.np/contents/uploads/2021/04/Notice-on-Fourth-Edition-Qatari-Riyal-Banknotes_Nepali.pdf)



It has been said that the COVID patients at the local level will be managed by local units, but there seem to be no preparation for it. What is the truth?

The government has directed the local units to sign an agreement with government, community, non-government and private hospitals with a capacity of up to 15 beds for the treatment of infected people and send it to the Ministry of Health and Population for reimbursement.


Source: <https://cutt.ly/9v89vYT>

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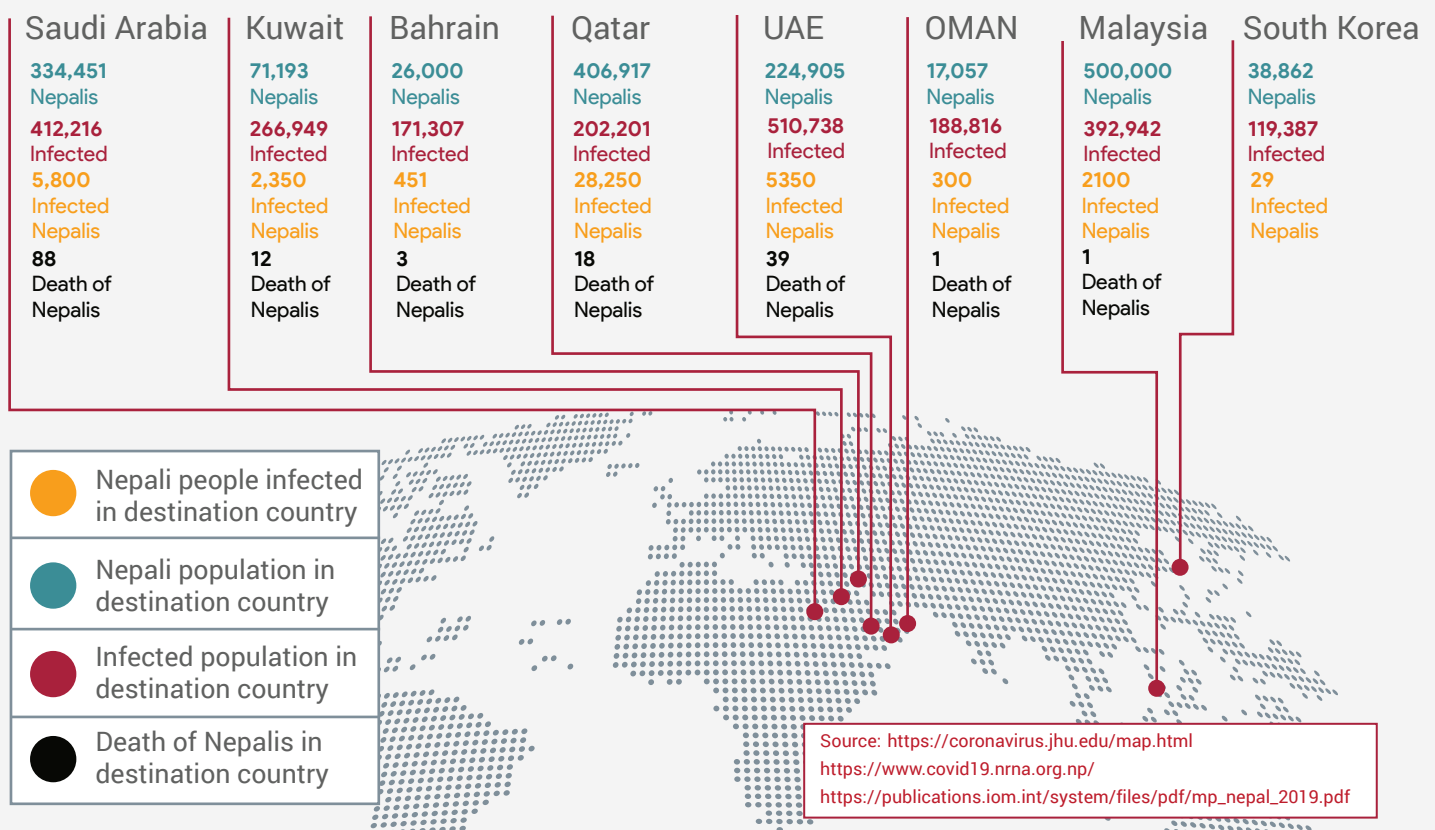
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# Open Migration

## Migrant workers in major destination countries



## Failure to comply with the rules in Qatar could result in punishment

The Qatari government has strictly enforced some rules to control and prevent COVID-19. Although the rules are in place, everyday several people are being punished for breaching those. As the failure to comply with the law could result in up to three years in penalty and a fine of up to 3 Lakh Riyals, the Nepali migrants should follow these important rules:

- Mandatorily use Etraj app while stepping outside the house.
- The use of masks is mandatory. Do not step out unnecessarily, but when you do make sure to wear a mask.
- Do not gather crowds unnecessarily, do not participate in the crowd.
- Maintain social distancing Do not travel with more than 4 passengers in small 4 wheelers.

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# \$ Follow the Money

**Fresh Update of the Expenses Made until Poush End 2077  
for Corona Prevention, Control and Treatment**



**Federal Government**

NRs. 8.59 billion



**Provincial Government**

NRs. 2.92 billion



**Local Government**

NRs. 8.1 billion

**Dual Expense:**

NRs. 1.49 billion

**Total Expense Deducting the Dual Expense**

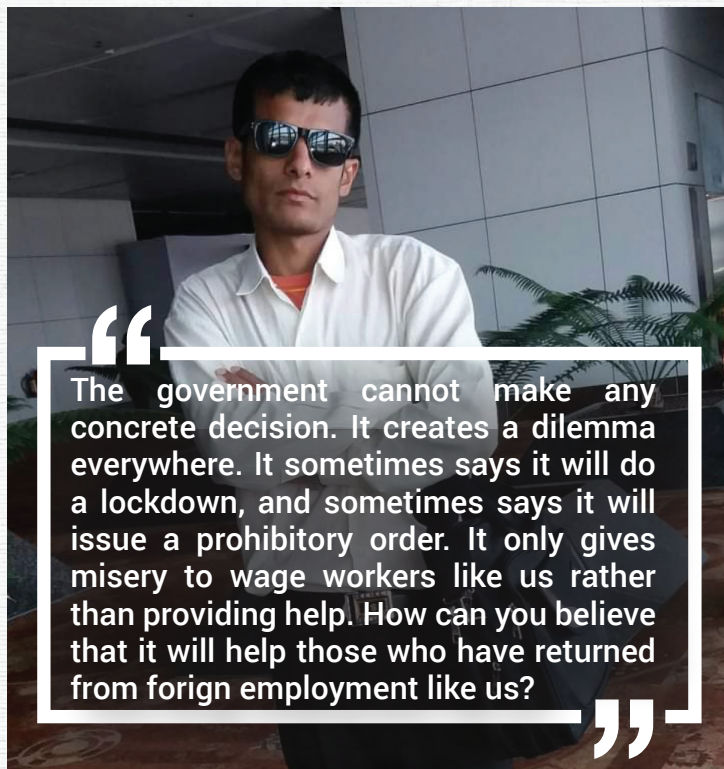
NRs. 18.12 billion

Source: <https://cutt.ly/4lfYbPi>





### How do we believe that the government will support?



Prakash Itani of Chainpur, Jwalamukhi Rural Municipality, Ward no. 7 studied up to SLC as his family's financial situation didn't allow him to study beyond that. He couldn't find a job because of poor education. After that, he engaged in agriculture and farming in the village. However, the family's needs couldn't be met through that. Thus, after finding no alternative to earning an income in the village, he went to Saudi Arabia for foreign employment a year ago.

He had no skills. But he didn't have to suffer like others. He gradually learned to work and in three years, he earned as much money as he thought. Meanwhile, he had to return to Nepal due to a corona pandemic. He was happy to live with his family though he lost his job. But he felt bad when

the society said that he must have brought corona from abroad. He initially thought that the situation would return to normal and he would go back to work in the old company, but that wasn't possible. However, the skills had learnt to work with aluminium abroad gave him employment in Kathmandu. That is what he is doing now.

Affected by the Budhi Gandaki Hydropower, he currently doesn't have a house to live in. He hasn't been able to build a house in another place even though he has brought a small plot of land with the compensation money received from the government. He is willing to do business inside the country with the money he earned from foreign employment, but given the current situation, he also doesn't want to take any risks. He says, "the government cannot make any concrete decision. It creates a dilemma everywhere. It sometimes says it will do a lockdown, and sometimes says it will issue a prohibitory order. It only gives misery to wage workers like us rather than providing help. How can you believe that it will help those who have returned from foreign employment like us?".







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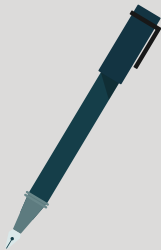
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