



Parshuram Municipality Overview

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Parshuram Municipality

- Formed in 2014, with area of 414.07 Sq. Km is located on the western edge of Nepal
 - Total Population : 35,590 with 7,434 households
 - Population Density : 86 per sq km
 - Literacy Rate : 78.7% (M: 88.1 %, F: 70.7%)
 - Altitude : 303 m -1,532 m; Temperature ranges from 20°C to 40°C
- Named after Parashuram Dham – A historical, religious, and cultural heritage
- Economic dependency on Agriculture, animal husbandry, bee farming, remittances, tourism and small business
 - Major rice-producing area in the district



Parshuram Municipality: A Potential Path to Development and Transformation

Parashuram Municipality's transformation into a smart and sustainable city is an admirable initiative that thrives economically, embraces its cultural and natural heritage, and aims to provide quality of life to its residents, the environment, and future generations.



Major Issues and Challenges (1/3)

Tough Geographical condition inducing difficulty in **transportation** and **water-related disaster mitigation**

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Transportation and Mobility

- Difficulty in mobility
 - Not well efficient transport networks
 - Obstructions due to frequent landslides and floods
- Primary source of Pollution
 - Inadequate Public Transportation
 - Harmful gases contributed by road transport

Water-related disaster

- Frequent Landslides and Flooding During Monsoon
- Disaster Vulnerability
- Inadequate disaster readiness compounds the risks. Limited warning systems, evacuation plans, and community awareness are concerning
- Livelihood Disruption
 - Water-related disasters harm agriculture, livelihoods, and local economies

Major issues and challenges (2/3)

Policy and Planning

- Proper Utilization of Local Resources:
 - Scattered resources, capital, and skills at the local level
 - Need to harness resources effectively for sustainable development
- Youth Employment Through Small Enterprises:
 - Large youth population seeking employment opportunities
 - Importance of creating local small enterprises for youth empowerment

Urban Design and Development

- Lack of efficient infrastructure development
- Challenges in urbanization due to geographical constraints
- Lack of structured land use planning in the municipality



Major issues and challenges (3/3)



Funding and Financing

- Limited Financial Resources: Insufficient funds for essential infrastructure and growth projects hinder community progress.
- Low Revenue Collection: Challenges in generating adequate revenue impact the municipality's ability to fund crucial services and projects.

Institutional Gap and Governance:

- Lack of effective coordination and implementation.
- Lack of Majority in Municipal Executive:
 - Limited representation in the municipal executive body
 - Challenges in advocating for community needs and priorities

Youth Migration

- The high rate of young people seeking employment abroad leads to a local talent drain and potential demographic imbalance.

New Initiatives and Projects (1/4)

Integrated Urban Mobility Plan

- Targeted investment in urban infrastructure improving transportation connectivity
- Comprehensive plan integrating diverse transportation modes
- Prioritizing accessibility and connectivity across the municipality

Local Resource Management Program

- Efficient management of land, water, and natural resources
- Implementation of sustainable land use planning
- Watershed management to ensure resource conservation



New Initiatives and Projects (2/4)

Community Resilience Enhancement

- Heightening community resilience through awareness campaigns
- Providing training and capacity-building opportunities
- Mitigating water-induced disaster impacts through proactive measures

Disaster-Resilient Infrastructure Improvement

- Retrofitting and Upgrading Critical Infrastructure for Disaster Resilience



New Initiatives and Projects(3/4)

Disaster Preparedness

- Training and awareness programs for the community
- Establishment of disaster risk management committee

Infrastructure Development

- Targeted investment in urban infrastructure
- Improving transportation connectivity

Connectivity and Development Opportunities

- A forthcoming bridge over the Mahakali River, bordering India, promises enhanced cross-border ties and opens doors to religious and tourism exchanges.
- Complementing this, ongoing work on the Mahakali corridor and Daiji-Dadeldhura road creates efficient pathways to the terai region, solidifying Parshuram's role as a trade and travel hub.



New Initiatives and Projects(4/4)

Youth Employment Initiatives

- Support for small enterprises and local skills-based businesses that cater to local needs while also providing employment opportunities
- Encouraging entrepreneurship among youth with training, mentorship, and support

Cultural Heritage Preservation

- Restoration of historic buildings
- and sites
- Organization of cultural events to celebrate heritage
- Ensuring the preservation of the municipality's rich cultural identity



Success Stories (1/2)

"Parashuram Digital Nagar (City)": Revolutionizing Governance Through Technology

- Public service delivery by embracing technology and e-Governance
 - With a vision of a digitally empowered local government, established "Parashuram Digital Nagar (City)"
 - To enhance transparency, service quality, and accountability
 - Included implementing an electronic attendance system, introducing software solutions for resident issues, and empowering citizens through digital literacy campaigns
 - Promoted transparency, efficiency, social inclusion, and economic growth



Success Stories (2/2)

Empowering Women and Promoting Sustainability through Leaf-Based Tableware

- Providing women's groups with machinery to create eco-friendly bowls and plates from Sal tree leaves, the municipality replaced plastic tableware and boosted local economies
- The movement towards sustainability improved both the environment and the socio-economic status of women, fostering a stronger, engaged community
 - Empowered women, leveraging local resources for economic growth
 - Exploring innovative ways reduce youth migration



Expectations: Smart City Training Workshop

Engage, Explore, Learn, Share, Collaborate and Implement

- **Learning** from real-world cases, engaging interactively, collaborating across sectors, understanding policy frameworks, exploring technology advancements, emphasizing inclusivity, and accessing post-workshop resources
- **Stay updated** on smart city advancements and contribute to resilient and inclusive urban environments
- **Engaging** with fellow attendees and experts to learn and collaborate effectively





Together Towards a Better Future

- Parashuram Municipality has a rich cultural heritage, abundant natural resources, and the potential for sustainable growth. By embracing the principles of smart cities and inclusive development, we can create resilient, livable, and sustainable communities for the benefit of all residents.
- Let us work together to build a better future for Parashuram Municipality and its people.



THANK YOU

