

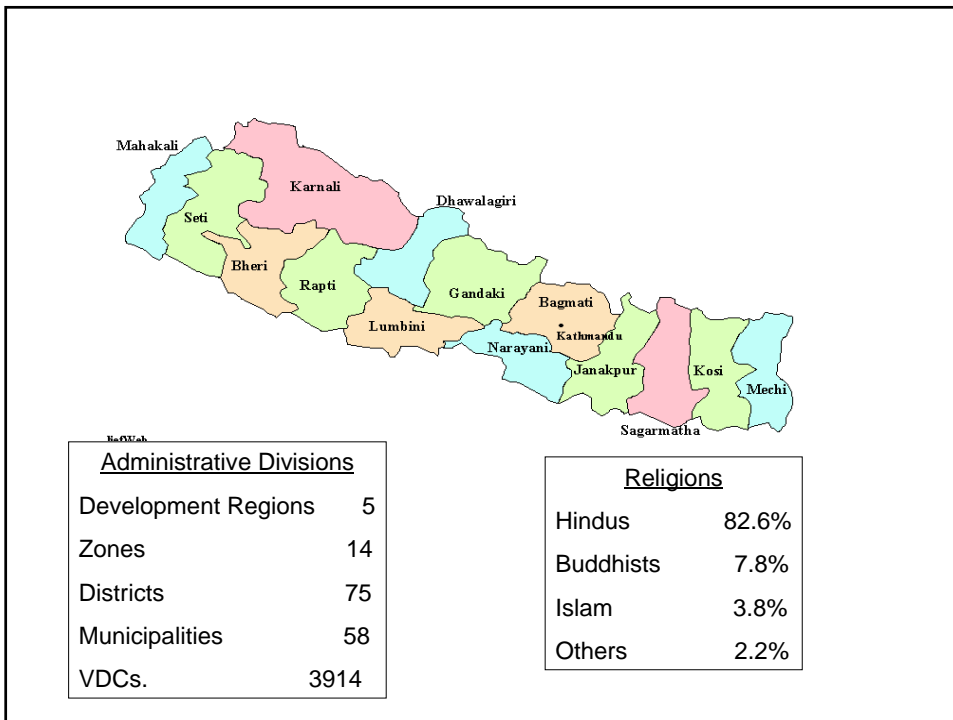
# Country Report on Disaster Management in Nepal

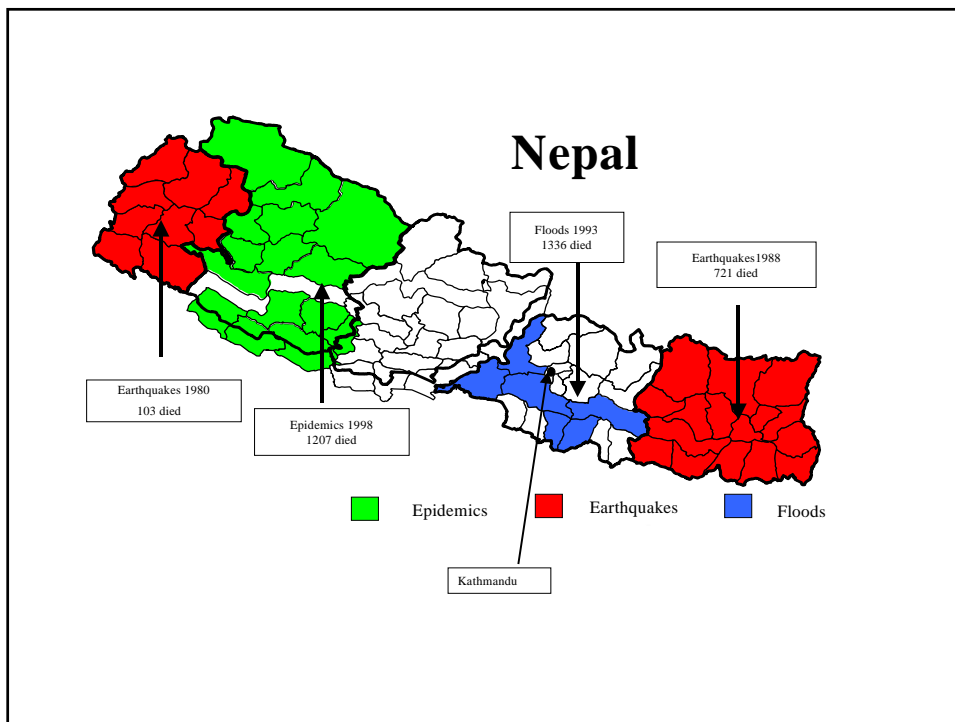


<u>Administrative Divisions</u>	
-Development Regions	5
- Zones	14
- Districts	75
- Municipalities	58
- VDCs.	3,914

<u>Religions</u>	
- Hindus	82.6%
- Buddhists	7.8 %
- Islam	3.8 %
- Others	2.2 %

A South Asian country between India and China with Total Area of 147,181 sq. km. The lowest elevation is 60 meters and the highest one is 8,848 meters.





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1.Geographical Settings

2.Disaster Scenarios

1.Floods

- a.Budhigandaki Flood
- b.Change of Koshi River Course
- c.Makawanpur& Shindhuli Flood

2.Landslides

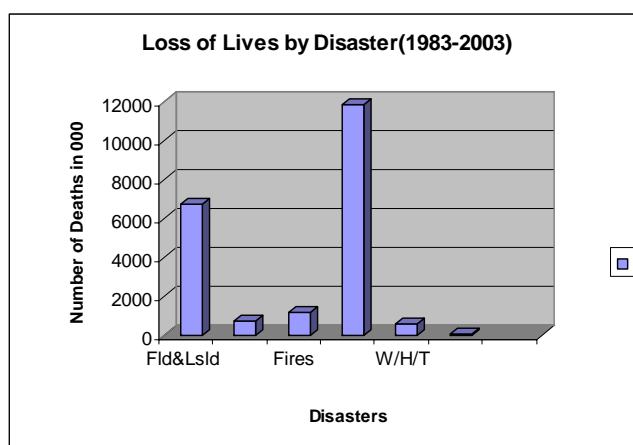
- a.Tatopani Landslide
- b.Syanjya Landslide
- c.Shravandanda Landslide

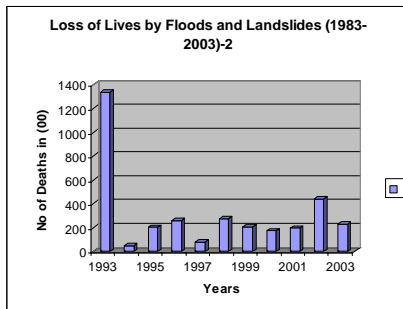
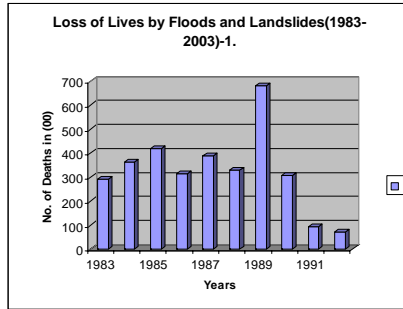
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- 3. Earthquakes
  - a. Earthquake of 1934 A.D.
  - b. Earthquake of 1980 A.D.
  - c. Earthquake of 1988 A.D.
- 4. Fires
  - a. Myanglung Fires-Tehrathum
  - b. Kabilasa Fires-Saptari
  - c. Belichapena Fires- Saptari
- 5. Epidemics
- 6. Drought
- 7. Avalanche
- 8. GLOF
- 9. Windstorm, Thunderbolt & Hailstone
- 3. Factor Leading to Disaster Occurrences
  - a. Floods
  - b. Landslides
  - c. Earthquakes
  - d. Fires
  - e. Epidemics
  - f. Drought
  - g. Avalanche
  - h. GLOF

- 4. Measures for Combating Disasters
  - A. National Measures
    - 1. The Legal System and Structure of DMS
      - (a) Disaster Relief Act
      - (b) Disaster Management System
    - 2. Plans, Programs and Strategies
      - (a) Disaster Management in National Plans
      - (b) National Action Plan
      - (c) Natural Disaster Management Department
      - (d) River Control Policy
      - (e) Formulation of a Comprehensive River Law
      - (f) Watershed Development Policy
      - (g) National Water Resource Strategy
    - 3. Good Practices
      - (a) Early Warning System Introduced
      - (b) Community Based Disaster Management Program
    - (c) The KTM Valley Earthquake Risk Management Pgrm
    - (d) Seismic Vulnerability Assessment of Hospitals
    - 4. Provision of Funds
    - 5. Agencies Involved in Disaster Management

B. International Response

- (a) Resource Management
- (b) Capacity Building
- (c) Information Sharing
- (d) International Character of Disasters

5. International commitments & Nepal

- (a) Yokohama Strategy and Plan of Action
- (b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (IDNDR)
- (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR)
- (d) Kobe Disaster Reduction Declaration
- (e) The Millennium Declaration
- (f) Hyogo Declaration

6. Areas of Needs & challenges

- (a) Resources
- (b) Political Commitment
- (c) Integrated Information System
- (d) Database System
- (e) Fire Fighting Services & Fire Codes
- (f) Awareness Raising Program

Challenges

- Lack of coordination among authorities
- Lack of preventive measures
- Lack of modern early warning system
- Lack of reliable assessment of vulnerable areas
- Lack of appraisal of natural disasters in development plans
- Lack of adherence to the building codes
- Unplanned settlements even in the vulnerable areas