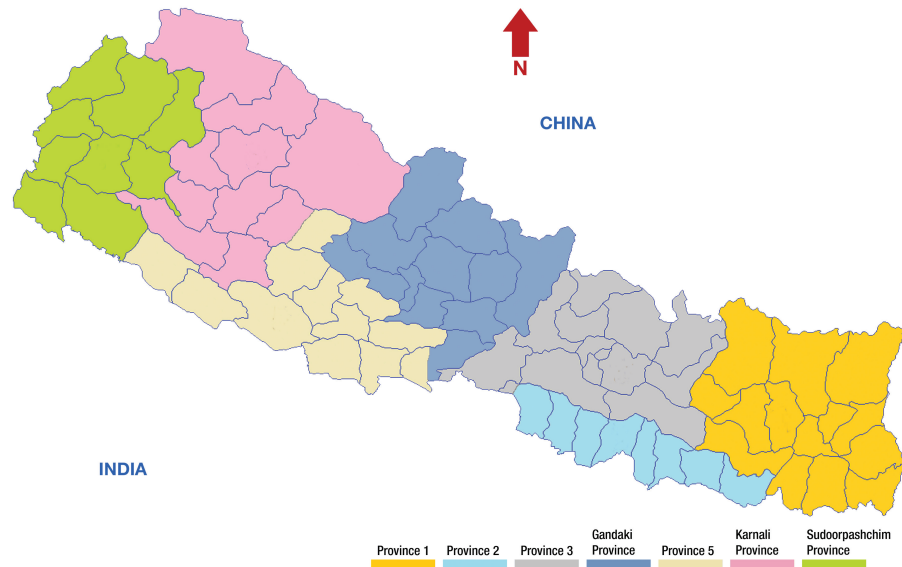


INTRODUCTION TO NASC

The Nepal Administrative Staff College, was established through NASC Act on 27 Sept 1982 with mandates to strengthen public administration of Nepal through training, research and consulting services. Since its establishment, NASC is engaged to produce new knowledge, strengthen capacity of public administration and contribute in administrative reform. Following the promulgation of Constitution of Nepal, NASC is taking initiatives to building public sector capacity for implementation of the Constitution.

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NEPAL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COLLEGE



CENTRE FOR FEDERALISM STUDIES

INTRODUCTION

The Constitution of Nepal, promulgated through historical Constitution Assembly in 20 September 2015, declared Nepal as a 'federal democratic republic' state with three levels of governments having 761 federal units including one federal union, seven provinces and 753 local units. Nepal witnessed a historical transformation in polity from constitutional monarchical system of governance to republicanism and from a unitary form of state structure to federal form of governance. The division of state-powers among federal, provincial local level provides the bases for exercising federal system of governance in Nepal. Following the constitutional spirit, elections for three levels of governments have been conducted in 2017 that brought a safe landing of political transition. With this, the elected governments are functional to deliver 'perpetual peace, good governance, development and prosperity' and safeguard citizen's entitlements. However, a number of political-administrative and economic agendas pertinent to effective implementation of the constitutional mandates need to be appropriately taken care. This calls for right appreciation of the mandates, continuous assessment of the citizenry aspirations and trust towards the public governance, systematic analysis of the service delivery and evaluation of immediate socio-economic impacts of the new governance system. It also requires to build the capacity of public officials and elected representatives; prepare knowledge-base on federal affairs and support the government for effective implementation of the Constitution. With a felt need of supporting in these aspects through training, research, consulting and informational activities, the Nepal Administrative Staff College takes new initiative to establish and operate a dedicated unit 'Centre for Federalism Studies'.

SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

- Design and deliver training courses on federal affairs to federal, provincial and local government including civil employees and representatives of citizens
- Engage in research and analysis on issues related to federalism
- Act as a resource center with excellence for consultation and advice on federal affairs to all levels of government
- Organize events related to federalism affairs for sharing of knowledge and experiences

- Build network with academics and research institutions in Nepal and abroad who have expertise and experience in federal affairs
- Produce different knowledge products related to federal affairs
- Serve as one-stop federalism resource centre
- Build training capacity on federalism that supports the NASC's core training mandate

MAJOR FUNCTIONS

Training

Organize specialized trainings on the aspects of federalism for officials and elected representatives of federal, provincial and local governments. Prepare materials to be used in training. Develop capacity of provincial training institutions and work collaboratively to reach out to sub-national government.

Research

Conduct studies and research on different aspects of federalism and prepare knowledge-base on federalism. Study and document the initiatives taken by federal, provincial and local governments on implementation of federalism. Study and draw lessons from international practices on implementation of federalism and disseminate among stakeholders.

Consulting

Provide consulting services to federal, provincial and local governments on organization structure, public policy management, administrative and fiscal affairs.

Seminar and Conference

Organize seminar and conference for exchanging experiences and good practices of federal, provincial and local government in course of implementation of federalism.

Knowledge Centre

Manage national and international reports of research and studies, relevant documents, publications and information related to federalism and make them accessible to interested readers.