INTEGRATING GENDER SENSITIVE & CLIMATE RESILIENT URBAN PLANNING FOR SUSTAINABLE CITIES

PRIORITIZATION STUDY
UNOPS conducted a prioritization study following an in-depth desk study of relevant literature, policies, and concepts and an assessment of the 221 municipalities, which were long-listed to nine and then, after the field study, shortlisted to five.

URBANIZATION IN NEPAL

In 2021, 66% of the municipalities have increased their population.

ACCELERATED URBANISATION
IS SPREAD OVER ITS SMALL & INTERMEDIATE CITIES

Unplanned URBAN GROWTH & its related INEQUALITIES need to be addressed in an integrated way.

The 2015 Nepal Constitution highlights the importance of DECENTRALISATION AND POWER DEVOLUTION.

GENDER, CLIMATE, AND CITIES IN NEPAL

In Nepal
PUBLIC SPACES ARE
- often unsafe;
- not accessible; and
- not designed for WOMEN’S NEEDS

Only 7 out of 221 municipalities have a female mayor, limiting the INCLUSION OF GENDER CONSIDERATION IN URBAN AND CLIMATE PLANNING.

According to the Climate Risk Index 2021, Nepal is ranked as the 10th most affected country by climate change in the world.
The Cities for Women Programme will integrate inclusive and resilient urban planning and design in municipal infrastructure planning and implementation processes, focusing on public spaces.

OUTCOMES

1. Municipal women officials have leading roles in local planning and municipal budget processes, and include voices of women’s constituents.

2. National and Local governments follow a gender responsive and climate resilient approach in their urban planning and budgeting processes.

3. Municipalities in Nepal identify, prepare and implement an increased number of inclusive and resilient spatial projects in their planning process focusing on public space.

4. Municipalities and national knowledge institutions jointly participate in the generation and exchange of knowledge related to participatory processes, urban planning, gender, and climate-related initiatives.