

Chitwan-Annapurna Landscape REDD+ Pilot — Community Forest Carbon Trust Funds (Nepal)

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Nepal

Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Nepal's first REDD+ pilot paid 112 community forest user groups across three watersheds (Dolakha, Chitwan, Gorkha) via new Forest Carbon Trust Funds — \$285,000 distributed 2010-2013 to 16,000+ households, 60% of it weighted toward social-equity criteria.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	3/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	0/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-16

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