

Nepal's Gender-Responsive Budgeting — Nearly Two Decades of Budget Tagging, and Its Implementation Gap

Gender Equality · Good practice · Nepal

Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Nepal has tagged its national budget by gender impact since FY2007-08, with the directly gender-responsive share rising from 11.03% to over 40%. A 2026 ActionAid-backed study found the lead ministry misapplied the scoring method and left up to 59% of its funds unspent.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	0/1
Effectiveness	0/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	0/1

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Data sources

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