

1. MONITORING OF NEWS RELATED TO ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGES

1.1 INTRODUCTION

One of the major threats the world faces today, environmental degradation, is bound to make life difficult for all the life forms, including human beings, now or later. Survey and studies by some of the eminent organizations reveal that the deterioration of environment is occurring at an alarming rate (ADB, ND¹), National government, stakeholders, local bodies and province's government are giving concern to published environmental news, so that they could take further action including formulation of environment related policies and plan. The number of environment related news published on daily national and local newspapers play a vital role to encourage environmental planner and manager to assign further task for improvement on environmental condition. To monitor the different categories of environment related news that has been published on national and local newspapers, Nepal Forum of Environmental Journalists (NEFEJ) started to analyze these issues from the year 2018.

The four national daily from central and one local daily from each province were selected for the study to recognize the trend and patterns of news that have been published between Jan, 2019 to March, 2019. Out of four national daily newspaper, three of them are in Nepali medium viz. Gorkhapatra, Kantipur and Nagarik, and The Himalayan Times is an English medium newspaper. Likewise, the local newspapers named Blast Daily, Janakpur Today, Samadhan Daily, Butwal Today, Anumodan Daily were selected from Provinces 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 respectively. These newspapers were selected depending upon their high popularity among the readers and huge areas of news content. Contrast to the previous report, some more fields were added to the existing news category that has greater influence on environmental issues.

Limitations of the study: The unavailability of e-paper has somehow affected on the analysis and interpretation of the report. Even the hard copies of news were not available of province 2 and 6, it may be due to the remoteness of the area and technology barriers.

¹ ADB ND: Country Environment Note, Nepal

Table 1: Summary of modification category

SN	Previous	This report
1	Pollution	Pollution/Environmental degradation
2	Climate change	Climate change/Weather conditions
3	Biodiversity	Forests and Wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock
4	Disaster	Disaster/Hazard
5	Sustainable development	Sustainabledevelopment/Infrastructure development
6	Solid waste	(comes under the first category)

1.2 DATA PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

1.2.1 National daily

Kantipur seems more effective on follow-up of news and it is realized that the responsible body of nation has even take the appropriate action to resolve the identified issues. For example, initially the photo story/feature related to unmanaged electric wire was published on dated Jan 23, page 5 and following it an editorial has been published on dated Jan 24, page 6. In the same issue, the news mentioning directions for management of those unmanaged wire has published on dated Jan 27, page 11. Hence, with this reference it can be said that the news published on national daily newspapers somehow play indirect role for resolving the local and national issues. During this study, amongst all the categories of news, Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock is the one on which the maximum number of news were published in national daily newspaper (refer Table 2, Table 4, Figure 4).

Nagarik daily newspaper is more focused on category Pollution /Environmental degradation and frequent follow-ups have been published on these issues. It includes the issues related to illegal excavation of riverside materials and cleanup campaigns.

Table 2: Quantity of news published on national daily newspaper on category Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Wildlife

Newspaper name	News on category Forests and Wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	Total no. of news published
National		
Gorkhapatra	313	379
Kantipur	144	243
Nagarik	100	164
The Himalayan Times	42	98

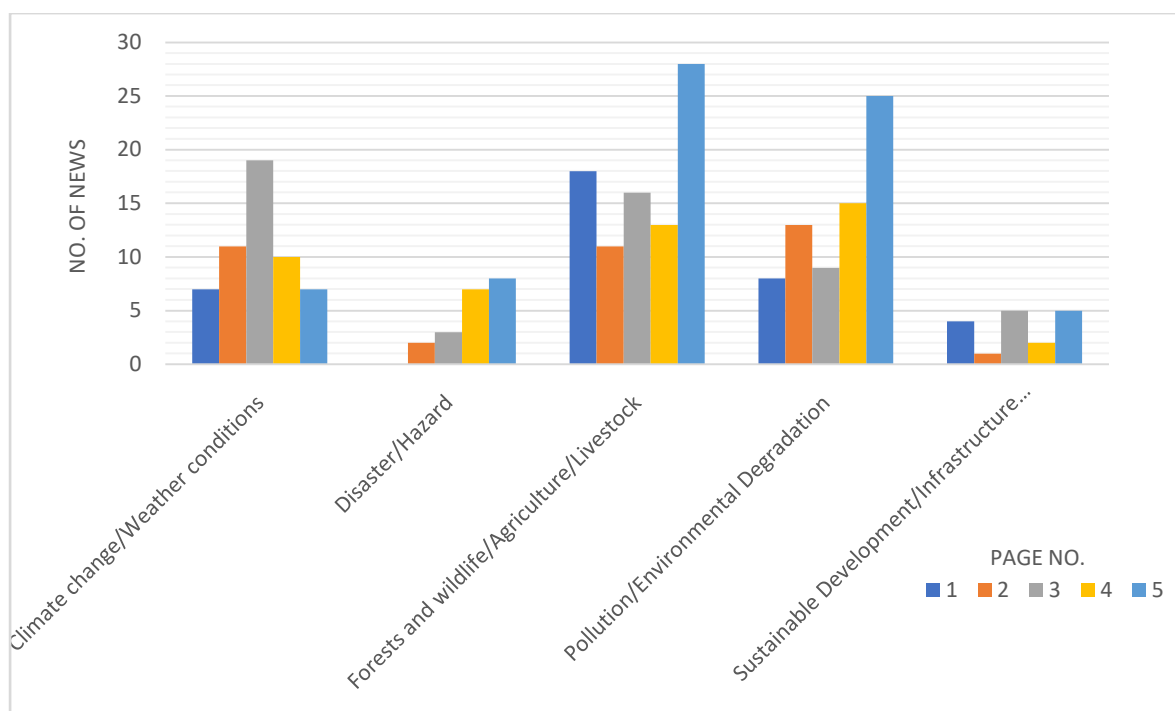


Figure 1: News priority on first five pages of national daily newspaper

Figure 1 shows the published news category and their corresponding page numbers. It reveals that the first page contains highest news related to Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock following two categories simultaneously viz. Pollution/Environmental degradation and Climate change/Weather conditions. No news has been published in first page on the category Disaster/hazard. The news related to sustainable development were also in very low numbers at first page. Amongst all the news categories, page 2 and page 3 contains highest number of news related to ‘Pollution/Environmental degradation’ and ‘Climate change/weather conditions’ respectively. According to Figure 1, in between the first five pages of national newspapers, very less news was published on categories Sustainable development/Infrastructure development and Disaster/Hazard.

Table 3: Newspaper and their news type

Newspaper name	News type				Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Gorkhapatra	20	31	8	320	379
Kantipur	5	16	23	199	243
Nagarik News	9	15	13	127	164
The Himalayan Times	12	17	12	57	98
Grand Total	46	79	56	703	884

Table 3 refers the number of news type that has been published on different national daily newspapers. Out of total 884 news published on national daily newspapers, highest content of environmental news has been published on Gorkhapatra (43%), following

Kantipur (27%), Nagarik (19%) and The Himalayan Times (11%). The news published on The Himalayan Times seems very less as compared to other national daily newspapers.

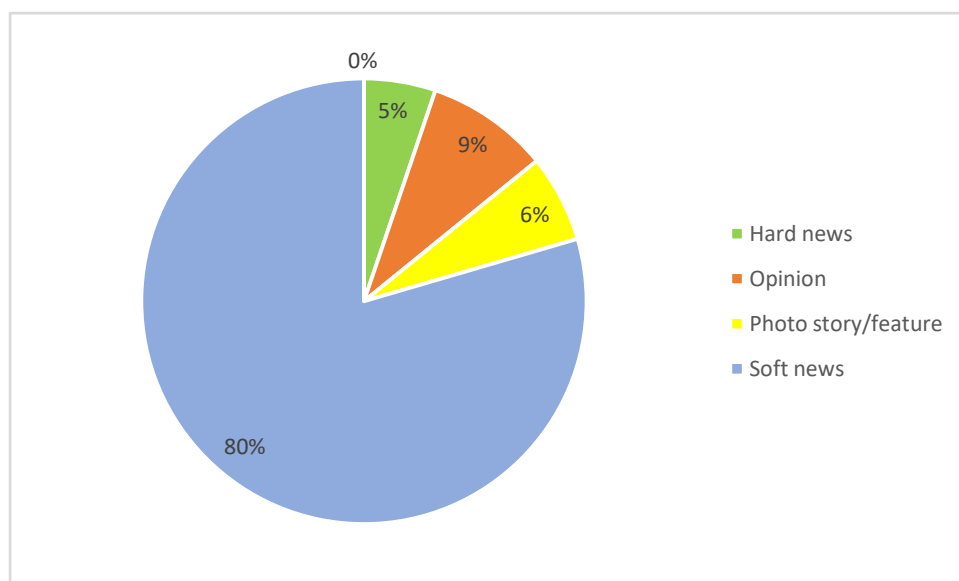


Figure 2: News type and its coverage on national newspaper

Figure 2 shows that the soft news that has been published on newspapers were almost eight times greater than that of hard news, opinion and photo story/feature.

Table 4: Category-wise news published on national newspaper

Newspaper name	News Category					Grand Total
	Climate change/Weather conditions	Disaster/Hazard	Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	Pollution/Environmental Degradation	Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	
Gorkhapatra	26	3	313	22	15	379
Kantipur	38	9	144	38	14	243
Nagarik News	19	7	100	32	6	164
The Himalayan Times	16	11	42	21	8	98
Grand Total	99	30	599	113	43	884

1.2.2 Local newspaper

In case of local newspapers published from provinces, there are no frequent follow-ups about the environmental news. The following data were prepared and analyzed regarding local newspapers.

Table 5: Newspaper-wise quantity of news on category Forests and Wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock

Newspaper name	News on category Forests and Wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	Total no. of news published
Local		
Blast Daily (Province 1)	68	140
Janakpur Today (Province 2)	5	14
Samadhan Daily (Province 4)	57	146
Butwal Today (Province 5)	70	110
Anumodan Daily (Province 7)	16	36

Table 5 reveals that not only the national daily newspapers have published the highest news on category Forest and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock but also the province based local newspaper followed the same pattern. The graphical representation of the mentioned pattern is shown in Figure 4. (For detail data, please refer to annex.)

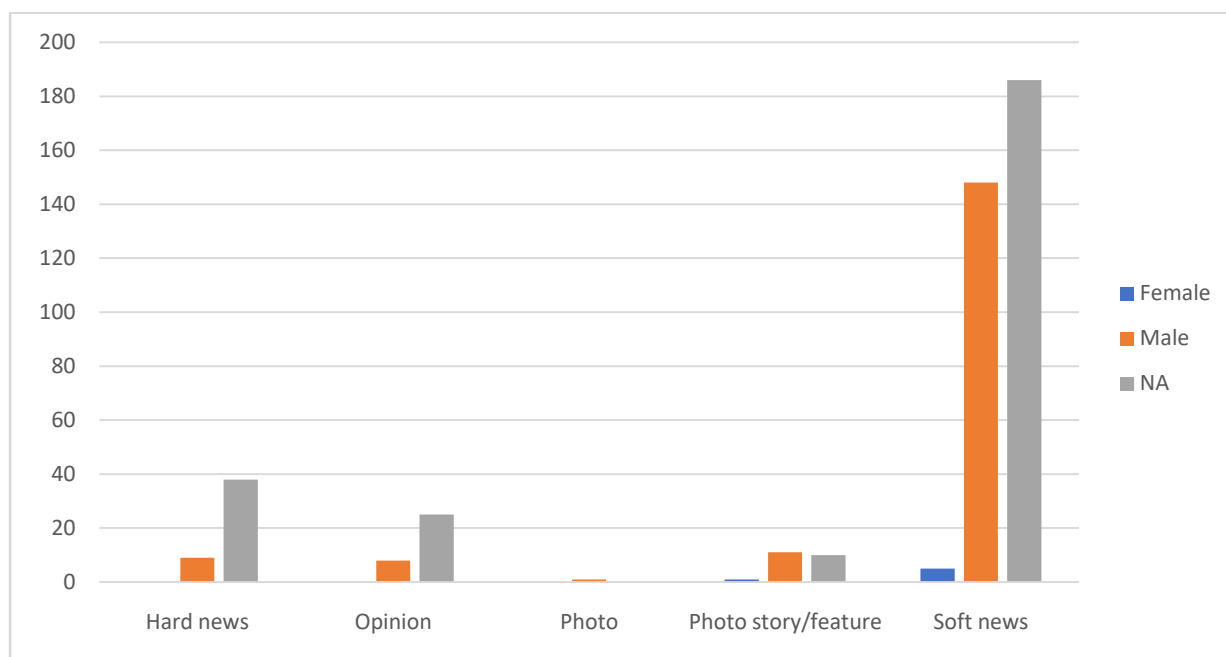


Figure 3: News priority on first five pages of province based local newspaper

Figure 3 reveals that the first page follows the similar pattern of news as in the national daily newspaper, the high number of news related to Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock were published in first page. Less number of news have been published on the categories Climate change and Disaster/hazard (refer annex for detail data). It should be noted that the local based newspaper must put focus on news related to these categories.

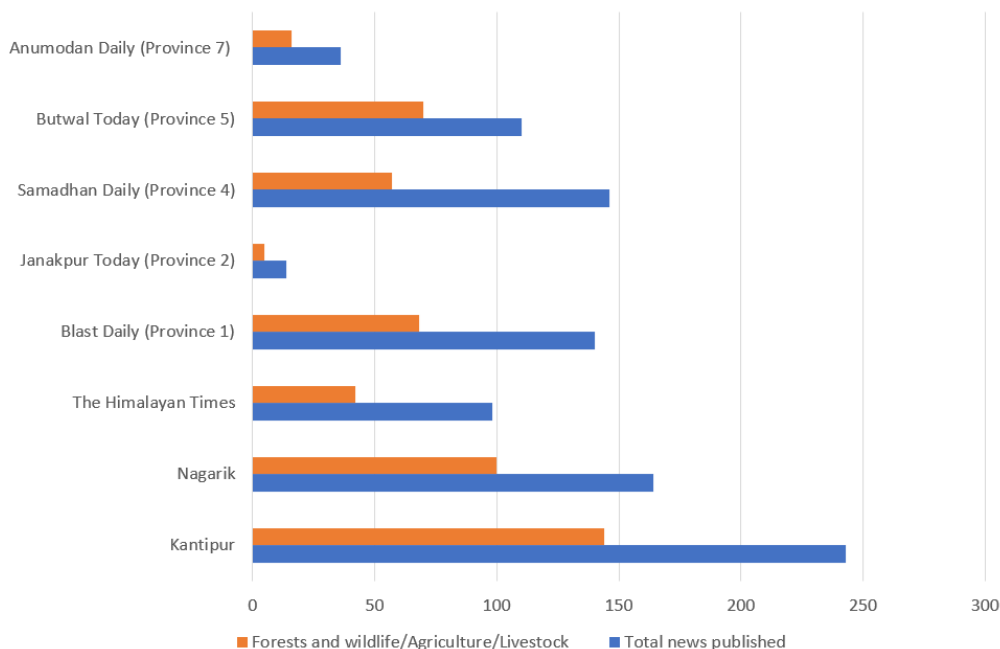


Figure 4: Newspaper wise data on category Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock

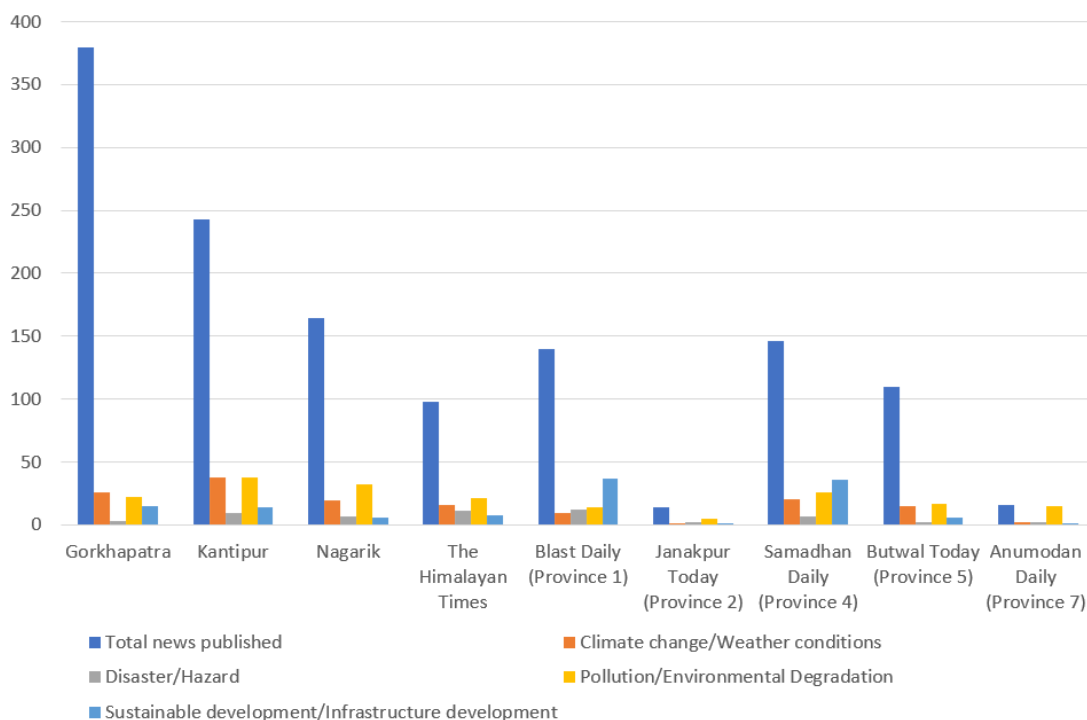


Figure 5: Total news published and their corresponding categories

Figure 5 reveals that very less news has been published related to ‘Disaster/Hazard’ and ‘Sustainable development/Infrastructure development’ categories. Amongst all the selected local newspapers that have been published from other province, Blast daily and Samadhan daily have published more news on environment related issues.

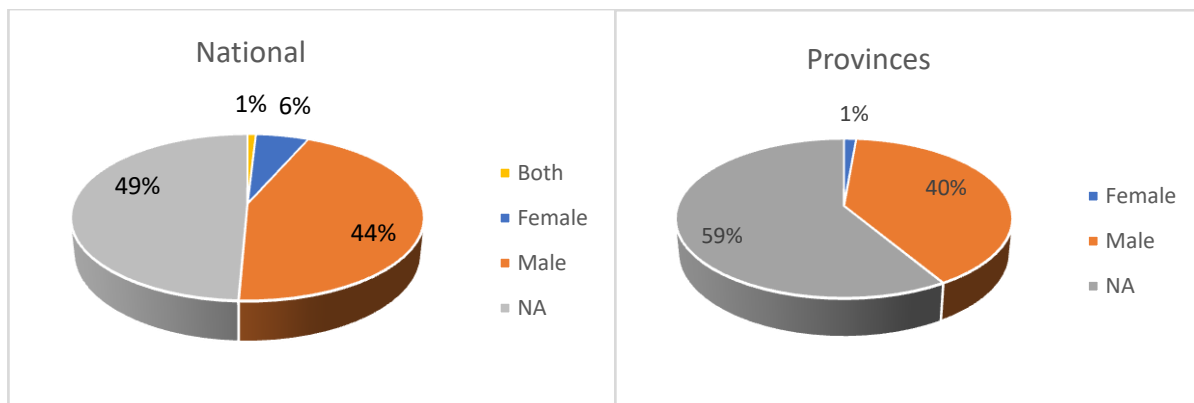


Figure 6: Byline gender statistics

Figure 6 shows that the media industry is also dominated by male, very less participation of female on environmental journalism have been noticed. The chart reveals the significant difference between the male (44%) and female (6%) participation on environmental journalism on national daily newspaper. In case of provinces, among the total number of authors, only 1% are female whereas males’ portion is 40%. Following this data, it can be concluded that the capacity building and environmental issues related training for female journalist should be kept on more focus to ensure the increased female participation on media.

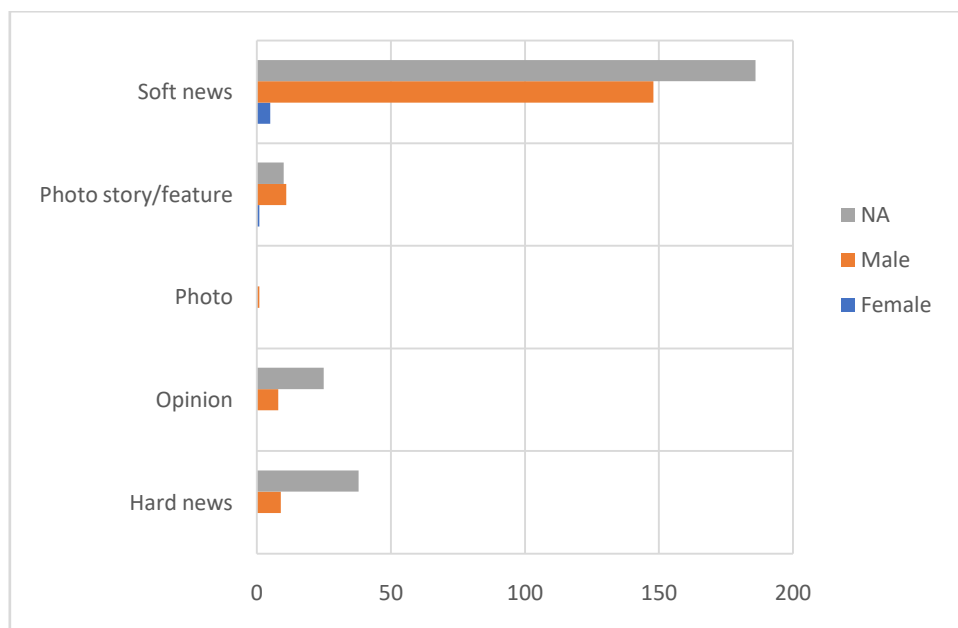


Figure 7: Gender-based involvement on different news categories (local newspaper)

Figure 7 shows the passiveness of female journalists on reporting of environment related news. No females were involved on categories ‘Pollution/Environmental degradation’ and ‘Sustainable Development/Infrastructure development’. As compared to female involvement in national daily newspapers, very least number of females were engaged with media reporting on environmental issues. The data suggests that the training should focus on newcomer female journalists and enhancing the capacity of existing female journalist. The local newspaper also should provide platform to produce female

journalists in the field of environmental journalism by providing appropriate media related trainings, environment and other climate related issues, etc.

No news has been published by the female author on the newspapers named Anumodan daily and Janakpur Today.

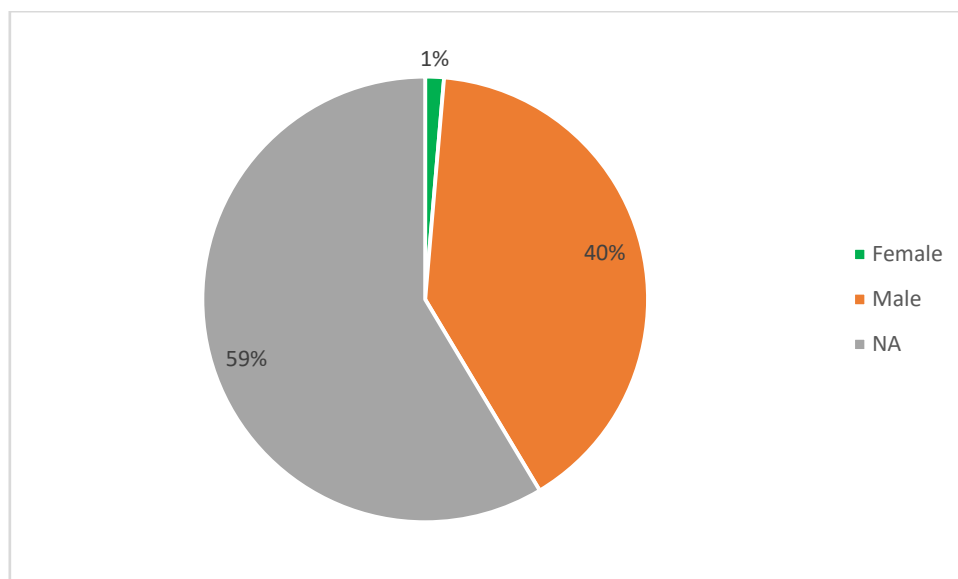


Figure 8: News type and its coverage on local newspaper

Figure 8 reveals the portion of news type including hard news, opinion, photo feature and soft news that has been published on local daily newspaper. The pie chart was prepared by compiling all the data from province based local newspapers. It shows that massive news that have been published on local newspaper were soft news (77%), followed by hard news (11%), opinion (7%) and finally photo story/feature (5%).

Table 6: Local Newspaper and their news type

Newspaper name	Province	News type					Grand Total
		Hard news	Opinion	Photo	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Blast daily	1	13	7		2	118	140
Janakpur Today	2	3				11	14
SamadhanDainik	4	16	9		17	104	146
Butwal Today	5	14	13	1	3	79	110
Anumodan	7	1	4			27	32
Grand Total		47	33	1	22	339	442

Table 6 reveals that out of total 442 news published on province-based local newspapers; the highest number of environmental news were published on SamadhanDainik from province 4 i.e. 146, followed by Blast daily from province 1 (140), Butwal Today from province 5 (110), Anumodan daily (32) and Janakpur Today (14).

1.3 CONTENT QUALITY ANALYSIS

Amongst all the newspaper, news content in Kantipur daily newspaper is more fact-based and in-depth study as compared to other newspapers. Despite this, there are few weaknesses on the pattern of news content.

- Many news has been published on event of climate change conferences. But no news on the detail outcome of the event, real benefits to Nepal with those conferences, no clear targets for future to follow on climate change issues, etc. Very few opinions were published that contains in-depth knowledge about climate change issues. Many of the byline writer have focused their content on generic information about climate change impacts, but not on the specific reason resulting the scenario. No details of byline author were included on opinion type of news that shows their field of expertise. It would help the readers to build trust on the presented information. The effects of climate change were linked with many other factors of the environment such as agriculture, wildlife, forests, natural resources, etc. There exist lack of news including views, suggestions and comments from respective field experts on the climate change issues. In some of the opinion news, the quantitative data were mentioned but no reference were provided. For example, one of the byline-writers had written that 0.6⁰C temperature rise on mountainous area has resulted the melting of snow. Even if the author has presented the real data, the reference should be included for reliability of data. Similarly, news related to death of large number of Yaks were also published with high priority, but no news has been published for possibility of pre-information deliverables regarding the weather conditions, livestock's safety measures, evacuation practice, etc.
- Human-wildlife conflict news: The news published on this heading were frequently seen in national and local newspapers. The news were focused mainly on harm-based incidents with some possible causes. No research-based news was published on actual reason for wildlife to enter the human settlements, no information on the further actions to return that wildlife to their natural habitats, responsible agency to implement these tasks. Many news have been published on the damages of crop field and fruit farm by wildlife, no news has been published that focus on the long-term safety of farmland from wildlife and in-depth study on the causes of wildlife entering the farmland.
- Brick kiln pollution and environmental degradation: Many photo features were published on most of the local and national newspaper showing the emission from brick kiln and some sort of news containing protest by local people. No news was published on the replacement of those industries on other appropriate locations, possible pro-active activities to reduce emission, expert suggestions for minimization of impacts.
- Riverside material excavation: The news published on local/national newspaper had focused on the involvement of local political leaders on excavation of riverside resources. It shows very poor implementation of laws, rules and regulations. No opinion news has been published mentioning the punishment criteria for politicians for their involvement on environmental degradation.
- Waste production and management: Various news were published on production of waste, their impacts, dumping site issues, clean-up campaigns etc. But no news has been published for scientific management of waste products, international

best practices and their possibility in Nepal for management of different types of waste, 3R's principle for waste management, plan policies on waste management,

- Disaster/hazard: In this topic, most of the news were related to damages due to events like snowfall, heavy rainfall, earthquakes, forest fire, floods, etc. No news has been published addressing the need of advanced technology for weather forecasting, early warning system development, practices of other countries during similar natural calamities. Many people died with natural hazard at the same time of interval, but no news have been published by the journalists to force responsible lawmakers to build appropriate technology within disaster prone area.

1.4 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION:

NEFEJ aims to produce more environmental journalists and enhance the capacity of existing journalists working on the field of environmental issues. It can be done by conducting rigorous mentorship on in-depth reporting on environmental issues and organizing series of debates and discussion programs. The report will help to identify the areas to be focused for further training activities that bridges the existing knowledge gap.

The analysis of overall data has suggested to develop a framework for active women participation in environmental journalism. The more focus should be given to the rural women. The less quantity of environmental news published on the province-based local newspaper has suggested the need of some adorable efforts by local government and the media itself to publish more environmental issues related news. For the improvement on news content, the author/byline writer should be more research oriented, in-depth analyst, expert consultation, put references for mentioned critical quantitative data, include author's field of expertise. Additionally, the opinion news should be more focused on complete and specific news rather than generic and incomplete.

Data on News published in Gorkhapatra

Table 7: Status of news types based on defined category

Count of News Type Category	News type				Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions		6	1	19	26
Disaster/Hazard		2		1	3
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	17	14	5	277	313
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	2	7	1	12	22
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1	2	1	11	15
Grand Total	20	31	8	320	379

Table 8: Gender status on reporting

Category	Male	Female	Both	NA	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	14	2		10	26
Disaster/Hazard	1			2	3
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	119	14	1	179	313
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	3	1		18	22
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	5			10	15
Grand Total	142	17	1	219	379

Table 9: Category-wise news content on pages

Category/Page number	1	2	3	4	5	10	11	13	14	17	18	19	20	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	2	3	6	6		1	1		1		6			26
Disaster/Hazard		1		2										3
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1	2	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	14	269	9	4	313
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	2	4	2	6	1	1				2	2		2	22
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2	1	1	1	1		1			5	1		2	15
Grand Total	7	11	13	19	4	3	3	1	2	21	277	9	8	379

Data on news published in Kantipur

Table 10: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type				
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	1	2	34	38
Disaster/Hazard			2	7	9
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	3	9	12	120	144
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	1	6	7	24	38
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development				14	14
Grand Total	5	16	23	199	243

Table 11: Gender status on reporting

Category	Male	Female	Both	NA	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	24		2	12	38
Disaster/Hazard	4			5	9
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	93	7	1	43	144
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	21	5		12	38
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	10			4	14
Grand Total	152	12	3	44	243

Table 12: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers																						Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	6	5	3			1	1	3	1		4	2	7		2	1	1					38
Disaster/Hazard		1		4					1	1		1	1										9
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	9	5	2	8	2	6	5	2	2	4	15	21	19	13	11	6	1	2	3	3	4	1	144
Pollution/Environmental Degradation		4	1	5	13	4	2				2	1	1	3	1	1							38
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1		1	1	1				2	1		2	1		1	1	1			1			14
Grand Total	11	16	9	21	16	10	8	3	8	7	17	29	24	23	13	10	3	3	3	4	4	1	243

Data on news published inNagarik

Table 13: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News Type				
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	2	2	2	13	19
Disaster/Hazard		1	1	5	7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	4	7	3	86	100
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	1	4	7	20	32
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2	1		3	6
Grand Total	9	15	13	127	164

Table 14: Gender status on reporting

Category	Male	Female	Both	NA	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	12			7	19
Disaster/Hazard	3	1		3	7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	45	12	4	39	100
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	18			14	32
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	4	1		1	6
Grand Total	82	14	4	64	164

Table 15: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers																			Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	22	
Climate change/Weather conditions	2		5	1	2	1	1	3				1	1		1	1				19
Disaster/Hazard				1	2		1	3												7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	7		6	1	7	3	4	1	1	1	5	55	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	100
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	2	1	3	4	4	3		6			1	3	2		1	2				32
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1				1		2				1						1			6
Grand Total	12	1	14	7	16	7	8	13	1	1	7	59	5	2	3	4	2	1	1	164

Data on news published in The Himalayan Times

Table 16: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type				
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	Grand Total
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	4	1	10	16
Disaster/Hazard	1		2	8	11
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	7	8	1	26	42
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	2	3	5	11	21
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1	2	3	2	8
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Grand Total	12	17	12	57	98

Table 17: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	2	13	16
Disaster/Hazard			11	11
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	6	4	32	42
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	5		16	21
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2	1	5	8
Grand Total	14	7	77	98

Table 18: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers												Grand Total
	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	18	
Climate change/Weather conditions	2	2	3	5	4								16
Disaster/Hazard			3	6	1							1	11
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1	4	4	17	9	1	1	1	2	1	1		42
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	4	4	3	7	3								21
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development			3	2	2			1					8
Grand Total	7	10	16	37	19	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	98

Data on news published in The Himalayan Times

Table 19: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type				Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions		1		8	9
Disaster/Hazard	2			10	12
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	9	3	2	54	68
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	1	1		12	14
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1	2		34	37
Grand Total	13	7	2	118	140

Table 20: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions	4		5	9
Disaster/Hazard	1		11	12
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	33	1	34	68
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	8		6	14
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	26		11	37
Grand Total	72	1	67	140

Table 21: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers										Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions				1		1				7	9
Disaster/Hazard	1	1	3	2	1	2				2	12
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	6	4		5	4	7	5	3	1	33	68
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	1		2	1	1	2				7	14
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	7	1	1	3	1	10	1	1		12	37
Grand Total	15	6	6	12	7	22	6	4	1	61	140

Data on news published in Janakpur Today, Pradesh 2 (available e-paper of march only)

Table 22: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions	1			1
Disaster/Hazard			2	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1		4	5
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	2		3	5
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development			1	1
Grand Total	4	0	10	14

Table 23: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type		Grand Total
	Hard news	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions		1	1
Disaster/Hazard		2	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1	4	5
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	1	4	5
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	1		1
Grand Total	3	11	14

Table 24: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers					Grand Total
	2	3	5	7	12	
Climate change/Weather conditions				7		7
Disaster/Hazard			10			10
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	4	6		7		17
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	4	3		7	12	26
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development				7		7
Grand Total	8	9	10	28	12	67

Data on news published in Samadhan Daily, Province 4

Table 25: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type				Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	1	4	14	20
Disaster/Hazard	1		1	5	7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	4	3	8	42	57
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	6	4	1	15	26
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	4	1	3	28	36
Grand Total	16	9	17	104	146

Table 26: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions	13		7	20
Disaster/Hazard	4	1	2	7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	22		35	57
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	9		17	26
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	22		14	36
Grand Total	70	1	20	146

Table 27: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers								Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Climate change/Weather conditions	1	1	5		1	6	5	1	20
Disaster/Hazard	1	1				2	3		7
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	5	4	2	2	1	10	30	3	57
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	4	6	5	3	1	4	3		26
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2		5	2		9	16	2	36
Grand Total	13	12	17	7	3	31	56	6	146

Data on news published in Butwal Today, Province 5

Table 28: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type					Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Photo	Photo story/feature	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions		3		1	11	15
Disaster/Hazard		1			1	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	9	8	1	1	51	70
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	3	1		1	12	17
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2				4	6
Grand Total	14	13	1	3	79	110

Table 29: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions	3	2	10	15
Disaster/Hazard			2	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	19	2	49	70
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	3		14	17
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2		4	6
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Grand Total	27	4	79	110

Table 30: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Column Labels							Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Climate change/Weather conditions	2	2	2	1	4	1	3	15
Disaster/Hazard				1		1		2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1 3	8	1 2	7	1 2	5	13	70
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	5	3	3	1		1	4	17
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development	2	2					2	6
Grand Total	2 2	1 5	17 0	1 0	16 8	8 22	110	

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Table 31: Status of news types based on defined category

Category	News type			Grand Total
	Hard news	Opinion	Soft news	
Climate change/Weather conditions			2	2
Disaster/Hazard		1	1	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	1	1	14	16
Pollution/Environmental Degradation		2	13	15
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development			1	1
Grand Total	1	4	31	36

Table 32: Gender status on reporting

Category	Gender			Grand Total
	Male	Female	NA	
Climate change/Weather conditions			2	2
Disaster/Hazard			2	2
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	3		13	16
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	5		10	15
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development			1	1
Grand Total	8	0	28	36

Table 33: Category-wise news content on pages

Category	Page numbers				Grand Total
	1	2	3	4	
Climate change/Weather conditions			3	4	7
Disaster/Hazard		2	3		5
Forests and wildlife/Agriculture/Livestock	4	8	12	16	40
Pollution/Environmental Degradation	8	4	6	12	30
Sustainable Development/Infrastructure Development				4	4
Grand Total	12	14	24	36	86