#### REINFORCING CREDIBILITY AND ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTORAL PROCESSES

The Role of Electoral Stakeholders and Electoral Administrations

# Efforts made to include civil society, media and observers in Nepal's electoral process

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Total Voters: 12.12 million (F: 50.77% M: 49.02%)

Voters turnout: 79.82 % (F: 52.08 % M: 47.91 %)

26.6 m

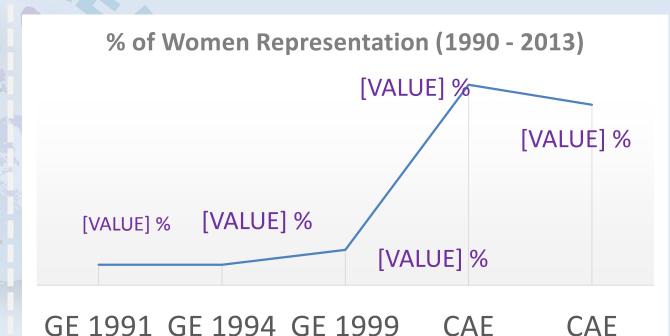
Population

125

Caste Ethnic Groups

123

Languages

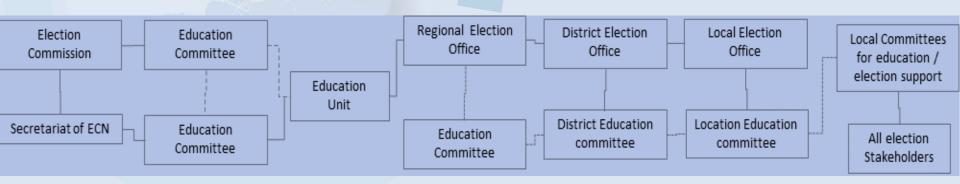


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### **ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY**

- Extensive consultation with CSOs at national, regional and district level through out pre-during-post electoral phases in election planning and implementation
- Engagement with CSOs on electoral reforms processes (voter registration, election security, gender, electoral law)
- Utilization of CSOs to disseminate voter education message



#### **ROLE OF MEDIA**

- Extensive use of PSA, TV, Radio/FMs, print media in multi-languages (28)
- Establishment of in-house Media Center
- Regular interaction and briefings with media
- Training and capacity building of media personnel on elections reporting, media and gender BRIDGE specific module
- Independent media monitoring

### **ROLE OF ELECTORAL OBSERVERS**

Total observers deployed	31,903
46 Domestic groups	31,654
3 International groups (EU, the Carter Centre, ANFREL)	249

- Policy, guidelines, code of conduct for domestic and international observers
- Simplified accreditation process
- Pre-election briefings and orientation for observers
- Establishment of well equipped Observer Resource Centre

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