

Meet the Nepal farmer to farmer team



Phaindra Pandey is the project Director for the Farmer-to-Farmer Program in CRS Nepal. He manages the F2F programming in Nepal from country project design, start up and implementation and close0out. He ensures the F2F program delivers high-quality programming and continuously works towards improving the impact of ifs programming. Prior to joining CRS Nepal, Phaindra worked to implement an enabling environment, economic empowerment, market system and earthquake recovery projects in Nepal. He served as a Program Manager in ICCO cooperation, making markets works in Adam Smith International and was the Deputy Director (Agro business promotion) in the Federation of Nepalese Chamber or Commerce and Industries-Agro Enterprise center. In work with USAID, DFID and NGOs, Phaindra has focused on monitoring and evaluation, capacity development and program development.



Prachanda Kattel, F2F Project Coordinator: Mr. Kattel has a professional degree on Bachelor's in Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry and a Master's in Veterinary Science (M.V.Sc). He has more than seven years of working experience in the agriculture and livestock-based livelihoods promotion. Currently he is functioning as Project Coordinator in CRS/F2F program in Nepal. He supports in identifying hosts, analyzing and designing technical assistances for technical services for crops and livestock commercialization in Nepal. He has garnered experiences in implementing projects working with Heifer International Nepal and Save the Children (USAID-SABAL program). He has extensively worked in analyzing and coordinating activities in rural and semi urban areas of Nepal.



Chhan Bhattachan is working as Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL) Coordinator at Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Nepal for USAID funded Farmer-to-Farmer (F2F) Program since October 2018 with main responsibility to lead F2F MEAL activity in Nepal and Timor-Leste with additional support to Nepal F2F team for volunteer management in the field. Mr. Bhattachan has years of experiences in international development arena in areas of poverty reduction, social inclusion and women empowerment, agriculture and livelihood improvement with program management and implementation responsibilities. Before joining CRS, he worked with Winrock international for Asia F2F program for five years where he managed many F2F volunteer assignments and documented outcome and impact achievements. He had also worked with CARE international in Nepal and leaded many researches and evaluation works by involving with other national and international institutions including UNDP. He holds master's degree (MSc) in Statistics from Tribhuvan University Nepal.



The team in Nepal with volunteer Bob Bond.

Left to Right: Phaindra, Chhan, Prachanda & Bob Bond