

MEET THE NEPAL FARMER-TO-FARMER TEAM



Nirmal Gadal joined CRS as Country Project Director for the Farmer-to-Farmer program in August 2021. With over a decade of hands-on experience in leadership roles within the Government of Nepal and International Organizations, Gadal is a result-oriented leader focused on delivering strategic direction, particularly in the agricultural sector. Throughout his career, he has successfully overseen public, and donor-funded projects and ensured the highest standards of program management. His expertise lies in agile-strategic leadership and crafting growth strategies for organizations. Having worked across esteemed institutions such as the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MoALD), CIMMYT Intl, and currently with CRS, he possesses a diverse range of high-quality program management skills.

Mr. Gadal holds a Master of Science degree in Agroecology from the Wageningen University & Research, Netherlands. With more than 20 years of working in the seed sector, Nirmal has honed his skills as a renowned maize seed production expert. Furthermore, he has contributed significant research articles in renowned academic journals. These experiences significantly bolstered his qualifications, allowing him to navigate complex programs, and partnerships and drive impactful initiatives as country manager in CRS Farmer-to-Farmer Program.



Suprava Acharya is the Program Coordinator for Farmer-to-Farmer program at CRS, Nepal. Over the course of her five years professional journey, she has garnered a wealth of diverse expertise including agriculture and environment-centric research, project management and strategic planning. Her professional journey included leadership positions such as International Relations Manager at 4-H Nepal, Local Resource Person at the World Wildlife Fund, CEO of Bairen Agro-Consultant and Traders Pvt. Ltd. In these capacities, she contributed to the strategic planning, financial management, and fostering effective collaborations with a wide range of partners, including government and private enterprises. Furthermore, her involvement in initiatives that promote gender equality and social inclusion has deepened her understanding of these critical aspects of development programs.

She holds a master's degree in agriculture with specialization in plant breeding and genetics. Her additional skills involve proficiency in using statistical tools such R-studio, and SPSS, which enables her to effectively monitor project activities and offer insights grounded in data analysis.