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FEDERATION, PROVINCE AND LOCAL LEVEL (COORDINATION AND INTER-RELATION) ACT, 2077 (2020)

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An Act Designed to Manage Coordination and Inter-government Relations Between Federation, Province and Local Level

Preamble:

Whereas, it is expedient to make necessary arrangement for managing the interrelations of the Federation, Province and Local Level in exercise of their state authority as per the Constitution of Nepal on the basis of the principles of cooperativeness, co-existence, coordination and mutual cooperation in order for strengthening the pluralism based competitive multiparty federal democratic republican governance system adopted by the country,

The Federal Parliament has legislated this Act.

Chapter-1 Preliminary

1. Brief title and commencement:

(1) This Act shall be called "Federation, Province and Local Level (coordination and inter-relations) Act, 2077 (2020)."

(2) This Act shall come into force immediately.

2. Definition: Unless the subject or the context otherwise requires, in this Act:-

a. "Inter-provincial Council" means the Inter-provincial Council as per Article 234 of the Constitution.

b. "Council" means the National Coordination Council created as per Section 16.

c. "Province" means the province formed as per the Constitution.

d. "Provincial Coordination Council" means the Provincial Coordination Council constituted as per Section 24.

e. "Thematic committee" means the thematic committee as per Section 22.
Chapter-2 Foundation of Inter-relations between the Federation, Province and Local level

3. Foundation of Inter-relations between Federation, Province and Local level:

(1) Apart from the provisions of Constitution, the foundation of inter-relations between the Federation, Province and Local level shall be as follows:

a. Fundamentals of national interest,
b. Preservation of national glory and unity,
c. Working for the adherence to and implementation of the Directive Principles, Policies and Duties of the State,
d. Implementation of fundamental rights,
e. Respect for and implementation of national policies,
f. Consolidation and harmony of constitutional institutions,
g. Working for the development of a socialism-oriented economy based on democratic norms and values,
h. Respect for the existence and functional independence of another level of federal entity while exercising authority in the matters of common interest and concern within the framework of the Constitution,
i. Security and equality of treatment for all Nepali citizens,
j. Mutual coordination, consultation, cooperation and exchange of information in the enforcement of law, policy and judicial or administrative decisions.
k. Conservation of natural and physical resources,
l. Sustainable management of natural, physical and fiscal resource and fair distribution of benefits,
m. Corruption prevention and promotion of good governance,
n. Mutual cooperation and collaboration,
o. Adoption of proportional, inclusive and participatory governance system,
p. Effectiveness of services to be provided for the citizens,
q. Mutual cooperation and coordination in the expansion of trade, transportation of goods and services,
r. Other matters as provided in the prevailing law about maintaining coordination and inter-relations among federal, province and local level.
(2) Subject matters specified in sub-section (1) shall also be considered by the province and local level while formulating laws under their respective exclusive list.

Chapter-3 Formulation of Law, Policy and Plans

4. Attention to be paid while formulating law or policy:

(1) The Federation, in addition to other provisions of the Constitution and this Act, shall consider the following matters while formulating law or policy under its exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction:

   a. Shall not encroach in exclusive rights of province and local level.
   b. Appropriateness of involving provincial and local level to implement those subject matters from the point of view of the cost, sustainability or effectiveness of service delivery.
   c. Continuity of the role of federal, provincial and local level without duplication in the implementation of any subject matter.

(2) The Province, in addition to other provisions of the Constitution and this Act, shall consider the following matters while formulating law or policy under its exclusive or concurrent jurisdictions:

   a. Shall not encroach upon the exclusive rights of federal and local level.
   b. Not to be inconsistent with federal law.
   c. Compliance with national policy and priorities and helpful for their implementation.
   d. Appropriateness for the implementation of those subject matter through local level from the point of view of cost, sustainability or effectiveness of service delivery.
   e. Continuity of local role without duplication in the implementation of any subject matter.

(3) The local level, in addition to other provisions of the Constitution and this Act, shall consider the following matters while formulating law or policy under exclusive or shared jurisdiction:

   a. Shall not encroach the exclusive rights of federal and provincial level.
   b. Not to be inconsistent with federal and provincial laws.
   c. Compliance with national policy and priorities and helpful in their implementation.
   d. Compliance with provincial policy and priority and helpful in their implementation.
   e. No duplication in the implementation of any subject matter.

(4) Notwithstanding anything written in sub-section (2) and (3), provincial and local level shall not make laws:

   a. Restricting or limiting the exercise of fundamental rights, constitutional rights or rights guaranteed by federal laws.
b. Restricting any action allowed by the provisions of federal law or allowing any action restricted by provisions of federal law.

5. Execution of Exclusive Jurisdiction:

(1) Federal, provincial and local level shall necessary make laws their on exclusive rights list and implement such power.

(2) When formulating or implementing any law on any matter, provincial and local level shall comply with condition or standard of the Constitution if any given in the Constitution and federal law enacted as per the federal policy on such matter.

(3) Province shall not encroach upon federal law and local level shall not encroach upon federal and provincial law while making and implementing laws on matters that overlap in the exclusive rights of federal, provincial and local level more than one.

6. Execution of Concurrent Jurisdiction:

(1) Federal government should consider following matters while making law or implementing concurrent rights list:

   a. Determination of crime and punishment, infrastructural development of national level or importance expanding from more than one province and determination and regulation of national standards or quality to be implemented equally in all provinces shall be according to the federal law.

   b. Following matters shall be according the provincial law:

      1. Development of infrastructure and operation of provincial level roads, electricity, drinking water and irrigation,
      2. Public awareness in education, health and environmental sector,
      3. Employment promotion, entrepreneurship development, social security,
      4. Service delivery at provincial level,
      5. Province level regulation of public health, consumer’s interest, quality in public service delivery.

   c. Public health and service delivery at local level, consumer’s interest, regulation of quality in public service delivery at local level and public awareness shall be according to local level laws.

(2) When implementing any matters in the federal and province concurrent rights list, province shall make laws in compatible with federal law in that regard.
(3) Notwithstanding anything written in sub-section (2) province can legislate and implement matters in the list if a federal law is not enacted.

(4) On matters relating to Schedule-9 of the Constitution, if a federal law is not enacted than province and if federal or provincial law is not enacted than local level can implement such matters by enacting necessary laws remaining subject to the constitution and this act.

7. To be Governed by Federal Law:

(1) The following activities shall be governed by the federal law:

a. Matters under the exclusive rights list of federal government,

b. Matters relating to policy and standard made by federal government,

c. Matters determining any act as criminal offense and award penalty and punishment,

d. Matters relating to establishment of special court, establishing judicial body or tribunal or change in jurisdiction of such court, judicial body or tribunal.

e. Matters relating to residual rights.

(2) Notwithstanding anything written in sub-section (1) (c) in case any matter operated and governed by the province or local level shall be governed by administrative penalty and punishment as per the law.

8. To be Governed by Province or Local Level:

(1) While formulating laws on exclusive or residual rights of federal government, matters relating to the rights of province or local level can be managed by provincial or local body or official.

(2) Federal government while formulating laws on concurrent rights list and residual rights and matters implementing thereof, if matters that deem appropriate to be implemented at provincial or local level in terms of investment, sustainability and effectiveness of service delivery can arrange implementation of such matters at provincial or local level.

(3) Province while formulating laws on exclusive or concurrent rights list and matters implementing thereof, matters that deem appropriate to be implemented at local level in terms of investment, sustainability and effectiveness of service delivery can arrange implementation of such matters at local level.

(4) For the construction of infrastructure or any project related to exclusive rights of province or concurrent rights, two or more province can formulate laws and implement or operate jointly.

(5) For the construction of infrastructure or any project related to exclusive rights of local level or concurrent rights, two or more local level can formulate laws and implement or operate jointly.

9. Investigation of Crime and Institution of Case:
(1) In case the federal law has specified that the investigation of a criminal offense shall be carried out by the provincial police or any province-level authority or official, then the investigation shall be carried out as per the federal law by such authority or official,

(2) In cases investigated at the provincial level as per Sub-Section (1) where Government of Nepal is a petitioner, the attorney general or the public prosecutor designated by him/her or an official as per the federal law shall register the case in the name of the Government of Nepal before the authority overseeing the case.

10. Arrangements for Appeal in the District Court:

(1) While formulating laws province or local level can arrange for appeal against the decision of administrative penalty and punishment as per such law at concerned district court.

11. Coordination and Consultation to be held:

(1) The Government of Nepal shall coordinate and consult with the provincial government on the following matters:

   a. While formulating law and policies on matters of concurrent powers mentioned in Schedule-7 of the Constitution,
   b. While formulating laws and policies on matters mentioned in Schedule-6, at the request of two or more than two provinces,
   c. While implementing large projects of national importance, inter-provincial projects or programmes,
   d. While developing national plans and policies that the Province also has to follow or implement,
   e. While operating inter-province national road, power transmission line and inter-provincial irrigation or similar projects,
   f. While signing treaties or agreements on matters that fall on the list of competencies of the Province,
   g. Other matters deemed appropriate by the Government of Nepal.

(2) The Government of Nepal may coordinate and consult with the local level as required on following matters:

   a. While formulating national plan and policies that the local level should also follow or implement,
   b. Other matters deemed appropriate by the Government of Nepal.
(3) The Government of Nepal may coordinate and consult with the province and local level as required on the following matters:

   a. Formulating laws and policies on matters of concurrent jurisdiction specified in Schedule-9 of the Constitution,
   b. On policy matters concerning the revenue allocation and enforcement of a new tax system,
   c. Distribution of natural resources and its benefits.

(4) In addition to matters mentioned in Sub-section (1), the Government of Nepal may consult and coordinate as required with the provincial government while formulating laws on matters that concerned with the provincial government and on matters of residual powers as per Article 58 of the Constitution.

(5) The province shall coordinate and consult with the line ministry or body of the Government of Nepal while drafting laws and policies on matters mentioned in the list of concurrent powers as per Schedule-7 and 9 of the Constitution.

(6) The local level shall coordinate and consult with the line ministry of the Government of Nepal and also with the line ministry or body of the concerned provincial government while drafting laws and policies on matters mentioned in the list of concurrent powers as per Schedule-9 of the Constitution.

(7) The province shall coordinate and consult with the local levels in the province while drafting laws and policies on matters mentioned in the list of concurrent powers as per Schedule-9 of the Constitution.

(8) In case consultation is not provided when sought in relation to any task as per this Section, it shall not be deemed to have obstructed to move ahead with the task or to have adversely impacted the validity of any activity only for it being carried out without the said consultation.

12. Publication and Archive of Laws:

(1) The Act, regulations and formation order formulated by the federal government shall be published in the Nepal gazette.

(2) The Act and regulations formulated by the province shall be published in the province gazette.

(3) The Act and regulations formulated by the local level shall be published in the local gazette.

(4) The policy, directive and working procedures formulated by the province and local level shall be made public by publishing it.

(5) The certified copy of the act and regulations formulated by the province and local level should be documented safely by the concerned level.
(6) The concerned province and local level should send a certified copy of the Act, regulations and formation order as per Sub-section (2) and (3) to the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs of the Government of Nepal.

(7) A copy of the Act, regulations and other legislation formulated by the local level shall also be sent to the concerned provincial government.

(8) The Government of Nepal shall make necessary arrangements to maintain an integrated record of the public documents passed as per the Constitution and prevalent law by the Federation, Province and Local level.

(9) Provincial Government and Local levels shall keep their official notices published in provincial and local gazettes as it is (in format) in their website and arrangement shall be made to safely store electronic copy of such gazette with necessary security protocol.

13. Project Planning and Implementation:

(1) Planning projects of national level or of national interest, projects expanding in more than one province and projects with difficult technical capacity or that needs large investment shall be done by the federal government and while planning these projects members of the federal assembly shall have a consulting role.

(2) Planning of projects that comes under province and is implemented at provincial level shall be done by provincial government and while planning these projects members of the provincial assembly shall have a consulting role.

(3) Planning of projects that comes under local level and is implemented at local level shall be done by local level.

(4) As mentioned in this section provincial and local level while planning projects, budget and while implementing them shall comply with the standards set by the federal law.

(5) As per Sub-section (1) federal government can plan projects that can be implemented through province or local level and province or local level shall implement such projects.

(6) Thematic committee shall arrange for necessary coordination among projects planned by the federal, provincial and local level and concerned institution.

14. Support to be provided:

(1) In case of a request from the province and local level in formulation of law, policy and plans on matters that falls under the exclusive list of competencies and work responsibilities of the province and local level, the Government of Nepal may provide the necessary support.
(2) In case of a request from the local level in formulation of law, policy and plans on matters that falls under the exclusive list of competencies and work responsibilities of the local level, the provincial government may provide the necessary support.

(3) The Government of Nepal may provide model law draft to the province and local level to formulate laws.

(4) The Provincial government and local level shall provide necessary support in implementing the laws, policy and plans introduced by the Federation.

(5) The Government of Nepal shall provide necessary support in the implementation of the laws, policies and plans formulated by the province and local level on matters that fall under the exclusive list of competencies and work responsibilities of the province and local level.

15. Collaboration of Work:

(1) Federal assembly, provincial assembly and local level can coordinate for uniformity and consistency while arranging work and procedure.

(2) For the purpose of coordination as per Sub-section (1) federal assembly, provincial assembly and local level can exchange information, hold discussion or consultation as deemed necessary.

Chapter-4 Council and Committee

16. Formation of National Coordination Council:

(1) As per this Act, a National Coordination Council shall be formed as follows in order to manage the coordination and inter-relations between the Federation, province and local level:

   a. Prime Minister- Chairperson
   b. Minister of Finance, Government of Nepal - Member
   c. Minister of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Government of Nepal-Member
   d. Minister of Home Affairs, Government of Nepal - Member
   e. Minister of Federal Affairs and General Administration, Government of Nepal-Member
   f. Chief Ministers of all Provincial Governments - Member
   g. Leader of opposition party of the House of Representative or a member of the federal parliament designated by him - Member
   h. Seven persons including at least three women nominated by the Prime Minister on the basis of principle of inclusion to be representative of all the provinces from National Association of Rural Municipality in Nepal, Municipality Association of Nepal and Federation of District Coordination Committees - Member.
(2) The concerned Minister of the line ministry, and responsible official authority or experts may be invited as required for the meeting of the Council.

(3) The meeting of the Council shall be held for at least once in a year.

(4) The date, time, location and agenda for discussion of the Council meeting shall be as specified by the Council Chairperson.

(5) Presence of majority members including the Chair shall be required for the holding meeting of the Council.

(6) The Council meeting shall be chaired by the Chair of the Council.

(7) Other procedures relating to the meeting and decisions of the Council shall be as determined by the Council.

17. Function, Duties and Power of the Council:

The function, duties and power of the Council shall be as follows:-

- a. Coordinate between Federation, Province and local level on formulation of laws and policies on matters of concurrent rights,
- b. Coordinate on matters concerning national interest and concern to be implemented at the province and local level,
- c. Coordinate to address the complexities relating to the implementation of national plan, policy and laws at the province and local level,
- d. Coordinate in the formulation of laws, policy and strategies that affect inter-province and local level,
- e. Coordinate in relation to the implementation of the large development projects operated at the inter-province level,
- f. Evaluate and analyze, cause to evaluate and analyze the police, laws and plans formulated at the federation, province and local level in course of implementation of federalism,
- g. Carry out necessary activities in order to maintain adjustment in the delivery of service at the federation, province and local level,
- h. Provide suggestions to the Government of Nepal, Provincial government and local government on matters relating to formulation and implementation of laws,
- i. Hold discussion and coordination as required on matters sent for discussion from the Government of Nepal, Council of Ministers, thematic committee and provincial coordination council.

18. Secretariat and Human Resource:

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(1) The Secretariat of the Council shall remain at the Government of Nepal, Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers.

(2) Secretary of the Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers shall function as a secretary of the council.

(3) The budget and human resource essential for the Secretariat at per Sub-section (1) shall be managed by the Government of Nepal.

19. Study of Federal, Provincial and Local Level Laws:

(1) Authority designated by Government of Nepal shall study the laws and its implementation at federal, provincial and local level.

(2) While conducting study as per Sub-section (1) such authority shall coordinate with concerned ministry of Government of Nepal and hold discussion with concerned local level.

(3) Authority as per Sub-section (1) shall submit its study report with conclusion every year before the month of Asoj (September/October) to the Council.

20. Recommendation to be made:

(1) Council can hold necessary study and discussion concerning the report submitted as per Section 19.

(2) Council can form special committee or take advice from the concerned expert while holding necessary study and discussion concerning the report submitted as per Sub-section (1).

(3) Council can recommend for modification of laws made by federal, provincial and local level if found it is found so while holding study and discussion as per Sub-section (1) and (2).

21. Special Committee may be formed:

(1) The Council may form special committees as required to manage its function and activities.

(2) The structure, function, duties and rights of the special committee to be formed as per Sub-section (1) shall be as specified by the Council.

(3) The provision related to the meeting and decision of the special committee as per Sub-section (1) shall be decided by the committee.

22. Thematic Committee:

(1) There shall remain thematic committees as follows to bring effectiveness to the implementation of policy and plans and development works through coordination among the concerned line ministry of the federation and province, and local level.
a. Minister of the line ministry of Government of Nepal-Chair
b. Minister of the line ministry of Provincial government-member
c. A mayor or chairperson of local level designated by the Chair-member

(2) The meeting of the thematic committee shall be held at least once in a year.

(3) The date, time, location and agenda for discussion of the thematic committee meeting shall be as specified by the committee chair.

(4) A majority of the members including the chair should be present for the meeting of the thematic committee.

(5) The thematic committee meeting shall be chaired by the committee chairperson.

(6) The thematic committee may invite as per the need thematic experts and representatives of stakeholder agencies to the meeting.

(7) The Secretariat of the thematic committee shall remain in the concerned Ministry of the Government of Nepal.

(8) Secretary of the thematic committee shall be the first class gazetted officer or officer of the same level form the concerned ministry as designated by the chairperson.

(9) Other procedures related to the meeting and decision of the thematic committee shall be as determined by the committee.

23. Function, Duties and Powers of the Thematic Committee:

(1) The function, duties and power of the thematic committee shall be as follows:

a. Consult with the province and local level during formulation of plan, policy and laws concerning sectors related to its subject matter (theme).

b. Carry out necessary coordination to maintain uniformity, continuity and quality in the thematic plan, policy and programmes and to bring effectiveness to the implementation of laws, plans, policies and strategies.

c. Provide suggestion to the Council during the formulation of national policies concerning sectors related to its subject matter (theme).

d. Implement, cause to implement the decisions and directives of the Council.

e. Carry out other activities specified by the Council.

24. Formation of the Provincial Coordination Council:
(1) At every provincial level, there shall be a provincial coordination council constituted as followed for managing the coordination or inter-relations between province and local level or between local levels in more than one District within a Province:

a. Chief Minister -Chair
b. Minister of Financial Affairs at the Provincial Government –member
c. Minister of Internal Affairs of the Provincial Government –member
d. Chief Secretary of the Provincial Government –member
e. One person from each district of the province from among the chairperson or Deputy Chair of Rural Municipality, Mayor or Deputy Mayor of Urban Municipality, and Head or Deputy Head of the district coordination council designated by Chief Minister based on principle of inclusivity ensuring the presence of one-third female –member
f. Secretary of the Province’s Chief Minister’s Office – Secretary

(2) The Secretariat of the Provincial Coordination Council shall remain at the Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers.

(3) Other procedures related to the meeting of the Provincial Coordination Council shall be as determined by the Council.

25. Function, Duties and Powers of the Provincial Coordination Council:

(1) Provincial coordination council shall coordinate and establish interrelations between province and local level or more than one local levels in the area of development projects or matters concerning concurrent rights list.

(2) Council can form committee on any issue necessary for establishing coordination and interrelation.

(3) Council can introduce any issue in the council for discussion if deemed necessary.

(4) If it is recommended as per Sub-Section (3) Council can hold necessary discussion and guide the concerned province or local level.

(5) The provincial government and the local levels within the province should follow and implement the guidelines of the provincial coordination council.

26. Coordination by District Coordination Committee:

(1) The District Coordination Committee shall coordinate on following matters:-

a. Infrastructural and development works to be carried out by the federation and province at the local level,
b. Federal government office stationed in the district, provincial government office and works to be carried by local level government.

c. Any other works as prescribed by prevailing laws.

(2) Any matters under this Act introduced in the Council or provincial coordination council if found being coordinated in any District by the District Coordination Committee, the Council or provincial coordination council may write to the concerned district coordination committee to continue the coordination and facilitation if it is coordinated better than the Council or the provincial coordination council itself.

(3) The District Coordination Committee if receives a written note as per Sub-section (2), it shall perform the work as written by the Council or the provincial coordination council and report back to the Council and the provincial coordination committee accordingly.

Chapter-5 Dispute Resolution

27. To perform activities in non-controversial manner:

The Federation, Province and Local level while performing activities of their respective jurisdictions shall do so in a non-controversial way.

28. Dispute between federation and province and inter-province disputes:

(1) In order for the Inter-provincial council to resolve any political disputes arising between the federation and province and among provinces, the concerned party to the dispute needs to report such disputes in writing at the Inter-provincial Council Secretariat within fifteen days of occurrence of the dispute.

(2) The Inter-provincial council secretariat shall immediately inform the council chair about the report upon receiving it as per Sub-section (1).

(3) Chairperson shall call a meeting for discussion after having received information as per Sub-section (2). While holding a discussion on disputed issue, and before making a decision on the issue, it has to be first decided whether the dispute is political or not.

(4) The Inter-provincial council may form a sub-committee or task force for carrying out the task as per Sub-section (3).

(5) The structure, mandate, tenure and working procedure of the sub-committee or task force as per Sub-section (5) shall be as determined by the Inter-provincial council during the formation of such sub-committee or task force.
(6) The Inter-provincial council shall resolve the dispute under this Section through negotiation, discussion, consultation and reconciliation.

(7) If the dispute is not resolved as per Sub-section (6), the Inter-provincial council may take necessary decision on the dispute.

(8) The decision made as per Sub-section (7) shall be implemented, or ensured to be implemented by the concerned party.

(9) The Inter-provincial council shall resolve the dispute under Sub-section (1) within three months from the reported date.

(10) Notwithstanding anything written elsewhere in this Section, the Inter-provincial council shall not take any decision under Sub-section (7) on disputes concerning matters that are under consideration of the Federal Parliament or Provincial Assembly.

29. Jurisdiction of Constitutional Bench not to be adversely affected:

(1) Nothing written in this Chapter shall be deemed to have caused any adverse implications on the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court’s Constitutional bench under Article 137 of the Constitution.

(2) During settlement of a dispute between Federation, province and local level, if the Constitutional bench deems it appropriate to settle some elements of such dispute through mutual talks, consultation and reconciliation then it may, as per need, provide the concerned parties just opportunity and incentive for the same.

30. Secretariat of the Inter-Provincial Council:

(1) The Secretariat of the Inter-provincial Council shall remain in the Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers.

(2) The Chief Secretary of the Government of Nepal shall serve as the Secretary of the Inter-provincial Council.

Chapter-6 Miscellaneous

31. Consultation and Contact between Federal Units:

(1) On matters requiring coordination or inter-relations under this Act, the province or local level shall consult the Federation through the line ministry of Nepal Government.

(2) On matters consulted as per Sub-section (1), the line ministry of the Government of Nepal shall resolve the issue after having the subject matter examined.
(3) Notwithstanding anything written in Sub-section (2), the line ministry of the Government of Nepal shall submit the following subject matters to the thematic committee:-

a. Implementation of matters related to concurrent rights,

b. Any policy issues that requires to maintain uniformity between any other province or local level.

c. Any other matters that cannot be resolved by the line ministry.

(4) Among the submitted subject matters, the thematic committee shall resolve issues that it can, and submit to the Council concerning following issues:-

a. Implementation of policy issues concerning coordination and maintenance of uniformity in any other provinces,

b. Other matters of national importance not resolved by the thematic committee.

(5) Government of Nepal shall inform the secretariat of the council about the dispute resolved by the line ministry or thematic committee as per Sub- section (2) and (4).

(6) Line ministry of Government of Nepal shall contact and make necessary arrangement with line ministry of provincial government or local level for ensuring coordination and interrelations between province and local level as per this Act.

32. Submission of Report:

On matters related to the performance of activities under this Act, the provincial coordination council and the thematic committee shall submit an annual report to the Council and the Council to the Federal Parliament.

33. Prevailing Law to be Applicable:

This Act shall be applicable in matters specified in this enactment, and in other matters prevalent law shall be followed.

34. Rulemaking Power:

The Government of Nepal may formulate necessary rules for implementing this Act.

35. Repeal and Saving:

(1) Section 105 of the Local Government Operation Act, 2074 (2017) is hereby repealed.

(2) All activities and actions carried out under Section 105 of the Local Government Operation Act, 2074 (2017) shall be deemed to have been done under this Act.