

**KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY
OFFICIAL PROPOSAL**

Proposal #: **43**

Assignment: **E**

Country: **Nepal**

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Title: An act to provide access to clean water, basic sanitation and hygiene to prevent the spread of childhood diseases and death for the people of Nepal.

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Justification Clause: Nepal, a small country in South Asia, is one of the least developed and poorest countries in the world. They have the worst drinking water and sanitation coverage for its population compared to other countries with similar populations. Contaminated water allows the spread of diseases that are making the people very ill and even killing them, especially children under five years.

Section I: Water borne diseases are transmitted through contaminated water and poor sanitation. Diarrhea, Cholera, intestinal worms, gastritis and jaundice are the top five water borne diseases in Nepal. Other serious and often fatal common diseases are malaria, tuberculosis, and dysentery, Hepatitis A, Typhoid Fever and HIV/AIDS. Nepal has the lowest life expectancy rate in Southern Asia.

Section II: Control and prevention of disease is dependant of the availability of safe drinking water and proper sanitation procedures and sewer systems. Unfortunately, only about 37% of the population has access to safe drinking water and only 6% have access to proper sanitation facilities.

Section III: World Vision is an international humanitarian organization that spends over \$90 million a year to improve water conditions. They work in the poorest and most remote areas to provide drinkable water, improved sanitation, and hygiene education so that waterborne illnesses decrease; health improves, and lessens the burden on women and children by reducing the distance to water sources. Improvements such as latrines and hand washing stations, dramatically helps to reduce disease transmission through contaminated water and unwashed hands.

Section IV: Combining water, sanitation and hygiene interventions can cut preventable child deaths by up to 57 percent.

Section V: World Vision will work with local authorities and volunteers to identify where the greatest need is and oversee these improvements.

Section VI: World Vision invests over \$90 million dollars every year to promote its programs in countries all over the world.

Section VII: This proposal will go into effect immediately upon passage.