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## COUNTRY DIRECTOR - NEPAL ADARA DEVELOPMENT

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Pralhad Kumar Dhakal is the Country Director - Nepal of Adara Development, part of the Adara Group.

The Adara Group (formerly the ISIS Group) was established in 1998 and consists of Adara Advisors (formerly ISIS Asia Pacific), a private placement and corporate advisory business, and Adara Development (formerly The ISIS Foundation), a non-profit organisation, which provides services to people living in poverty in Nepal and Uganda. Adara Advisors was established as a “for purpose” business with the principle objective of supporting the work of Adara Development. Today, Adara Development helps over 30,000 people in poverty a year.

Adara Development funds and manages, in partnership with local community groups, numerous health, education and other essential services projects for women and children in remote areas of Nepal and Uganda. Adara Advisors has provided millions of dollars in core support costs to Adara Development since inception.

Before working at Adara, Pralhad started his career with the Nepal Red Cross, a large humanitarian organisation. He began as a field worker, engaging directly with community and Red Cross volunteers. He later became a Training Officer, training large numbers of workers and volunteers.

Pralhad moved on to work for Save the Children, UK initially as a Training Officer, and later as an Advocacy Programme Officer. While working for Save the Children he had the opportunity to work as a Child Protection Advisor in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

Pralhad then worked with Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) as the Programme Manager of their governance programme which aims to promote the rights of Dalit, women and people with disabilities, by building their organisational capacity to protect and assert their rights. Pralhad helped many NGOs, especially those working with and for children in Nepal, to enhance their capacity to work with and for children.

Pralhad has more than 21 years of experience in training, managing and working with development organisations, partners, projects and people.

Pralhad has a Master's Degree in Political Science.