

INTERNATIONAL
LAND
COALITION

ASIA

LAND
=
EQUALITY,
DEMOCRACY,
LIFE

WHY LAND?

Equitable land rights are the key to progress in human rights, flourishing and healthy societies and a sustainable planet. We're working to get land rights recognised as a solution to multiple global crises.



WHO WE ARE

ILC Asia is the regional platform of the International Land Coalition (ILC), a global alliance of **300** civil society and intergovernmental organisations that contributes to placing people at the centre of land governance.

We are a network of **59 civil society organisations in 14 countries** with a shared goal of advocating for secure land rights for all. We use the term Peoples' Organisations for constituency-based organisations that directly represent and are accountable to people depending upon land - such as farmers, producers, women, Indigenous Peoples, agricultural workers, fishers, the landless, pastoralists, and forest users.

These members directly represent

14 million people

24 people's organisations

620,000+ hectares of land secured

OUR VISION

A just, equitable, and sustainable world.

OUR MISSION

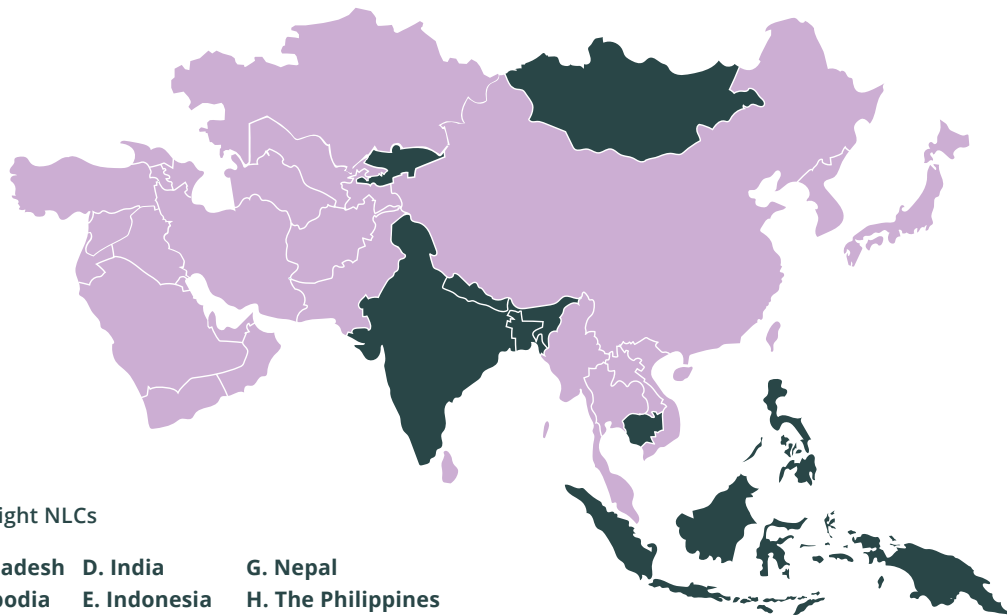
Shifting power to the women, men, and communities who live on and from the land.

OUR GOAL

People-centred land governance.

WHAT WE DO

NATIONAL LAND COALITIONS (NLCs)



List of eight NLCs

A. Bangladesh D. India G. Nepal
B. Cambodia E. Indonesia H. The Philippines
C. Kyrgyzstan F. Mongolia

National Land Coalitions (NLCs) are multi-stakeholder platforms working to push through people-centred land governance and reform in a given country. They draw on the strength of ILC's diverse membership and promote collaboration with government agencies, international organisations, grassroots organisations, and academia.

NLCs work with:

340+
PARTNERS

100+
GOVERNMENT
OFFICES

20+

United Nations agencies and international organisations:

International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), and many more.

Because land issues vary from country to country, every NLC is **different**. There is no one-size-fits-all solution. In many countries in the region, social norms prevent women from enjoying secure land rights, despite carrying out **75% of agricultural work***.

Corporations and governments have pushed for large-scale land acquisitions, including for extractive industries, which leave the most marginalised communities in the region vulnerable to land conflicts and extreme inequality.

In 2020 alone, our regional data study recorded **1,371 land conflicts** in six Asian countries - Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, and the Philippines.

**UN Women Asia-Pacific*

REGIONAL INITIATIVES

COMMITMENTS	COUNTRIES
Family Farming	Philippines, Bangladesh, Nepal, Cambodia, Indonesia, India, Kyrgyzstan
Rangelands Initiative	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan
Women's Land Rights	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal
Territorial Rights for Indigenous Peoples	India, Nepal, Philippines, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar, Taiwan
Locally Managed Ecosystems	Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, Philippines
Youth and Land Rights	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Philippines
Transparent Information and Accountability	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, Philippines
Protected Land Rights Defenders	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines

We facilitate a space to share and learn from the experiences of ILC members and partners from across the region. ILC draws on its **10 Commitments** as a compass for our work, making sure no one is left behind in our fight for land rights.

We amplify our members’ voices — especially women and youth – in global and regional advocacy spaces, uniting across borders. We support people’s organisations to lead strong regional and global partnerships to shape the narrative and move towards the recognition of land rights as a human right.



SEEING REAL IMPACT ON THE GROUND 2019-2023



26
**POLICIES
CHANGED**



55
**PRACTICES
CHANGED**

THE PHILIPPINES

Assistance to 97 displaced Talaandig Indigenous families affected by land grabbing in the context of private agricultural investment, enabled through the ILC's Land and Environmental Defenders (LED) Emergency Fund.

KYRGYZSTAN

The amendment of the Pasture Law of 2009, pushed by ILC members, resulted in nomadic pastoralist communities being granted more responsibility to restore pasturelands in the face of climate change.

NEPAL

11,180 rural women benefited from the Joint Land Ownership campaign with the support of National Land Coalition Nepal's policy advocacy efforts.

INDONESIA

444 hectares of land returned to local communities as part of a bottom-up approach to land redistribution under the Indonesian Government's Agrarian Reform programme.

UNITED FOR LAND RIGHTS

OUR PLEDGES



GENDER JUSTICE

We actively build a gender-sensitive work culture, safe spaces for all, and support women's full participation and leadership, within our network and beyond.



DEFENDING THE DEFENDERS

We commit to doing what we can to protect our members and their communities who are criminalised, intimidated, and marginalised for advocating change. We facilitate a solidarity fund for land and environmental rights defenders within our membership and is intended to respond to emergency situations.

GOVERNANCE

Under the strategic supervision of the Asia Steering Committee (ASC), ILC Asia is facilitated by a Regional Coordination Unit (RCU) that provides technical support to ILC members in strategy formulation, operations, communications, knowledge management, and learning.

We organise the Asia Land Forum and Regional Assembly on an annual basis, creating a unique space for ILC members and partners to learn, share, and inspire each other in advocating for land rights.

Learn more about our members and our work
Partner with us to promote secure land rights!

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