



## Nepal

### Client

**The Rural Region and Agro-Forestry Development Centre (RRFADC)**

### Action

Improving the local end of the value chain of briquette production, and strengthening the capacity of the NGO to scale up the project.

### Advisory days

40

### Results

- RRAFDC provides training to other NGO resource persons and works as a central liaison agency between dealers, companies, women groups and other service providers;
- Briquette production provides a new source of income for poor households, with 537 female-headed households – representing about 3,000 people.
- Productivity was enhanced by 224 per cent as a result of the innovations introduced;
- About 40 per cent of the 215 producer households were able to send their children to school with income generated from briquette production;
- The living standards of a majority of the producer households were improved as the additional income was channelled into health care, better quality food and other basic needs.