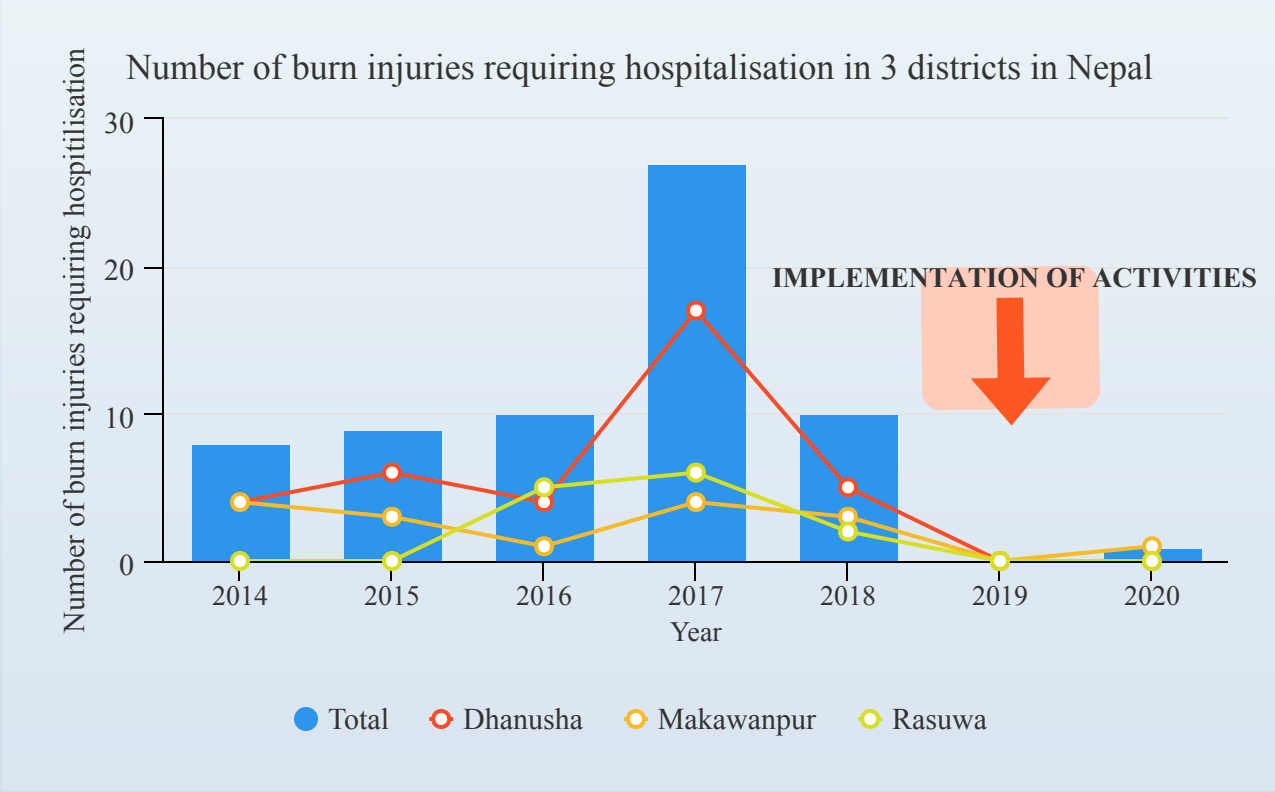


BURN PREVENTION IN NEPAL: A success story

In 2019, the NGO 'SAGUN' began implementing carefully-developed, locally-relevant burn prevention programmes in 3 districts in Nepal, in order to engage the community in burn awareness and prevention activities. (District names: Dhanusha, Makawanpur and Rasuwa)

Since these activities commenced, burn injuries have dropped dramatically across all 3 districts, which can clearly be seen in the graph below.



Burn Prevention Activities



1

Training of health workers and community health volunteers

- Systematic training for health workers and volunteers on the causes and effects of burn injuries, as well as appropriate referral mechanisms.
- Provision of training on burn prevention and proper first aid.



3

Community engagement

- Creation and utility of posters and leaflets to share burn-related messages with community people in simple language (with visuals).
- These materials are also then used by health workers to interact with the community on burn prevention and first aid.



2

Burn Magazine

- Collect information from various individuals and organisations on local burn related issues.
- These are then published and shared widely with readers to contribute to burn prevention and first aid.



4

Orientation in burn prevention in schools and women's groups

- Trained facilitators help spread knowledge among the local community to increase awareness of causes of burns and ways to prevent them.