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ONE MILLION LEADERS ASIA (OMLAS) FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM JOURNEY REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM THE CO-FOUNDER OF NELIS (NEXT LEADERS INITIATIVE FOR SUSTAINABILITY) GLOBAL

The world is in dire need of better leadership. Leadership based on ethics, compassion and respect both for other people and for the natural world upon which we all depend.

OMLAS is all about empowering a new generation of transformational leaders – people who have both the courage and the skills to act for a livable future. People who, as I personally define it, choose to live with a “big self” rather than a “small self”. Big in the sense that they care not only for themselves, here, now, but also for others and for future generations.

We have seen already, in just the few years OMLAS has been in existence, how leaders are born or transformed, how they impact their communities and, how they, at the same time, expand their own lives immensely.

We are hugely grateful to all the people who made this journey possible and to the Fellows and Champions who had the courage to join us and the consistency to stay with the program to the very end. An “end” which is just “another beginning” as we, together, continue our journey to empower one million next generation leaders by 2030 – not just in Asia, but also with the fraternity of One Million Leaders Fellowship programs that are active also in Africa, MENA (Middle East and North Africa) and Latin America.

Peter David Pedersen

Co-Founder/Executive Director, NELIS Global



MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM LEAD, ONE MILLION LEADERS ASIA (OMLAS) SECRETARIAT

As the Program Lead of the One Million Leaders Asia Fellowship Program, it is my honor to present the 2023/24 OMLAS Fellowship Journey Report, which encapsulates the remarkable journey, milestones, and impact of our efforts to empower sustainable and ethical leadership. This report is a testament to the collective dedication of our fellows, champions, mentors, trainers, and supporters, whose unwavering belief in our mission has driven us on track to our vision of empowering **One Million Sustainability Leaders by 2030**.

With the completion of two cohorts in 2023 and 2024, our program has been successful to reach new heights. With 115 Fellows and 2039 champions trained, 46 impactful projects implemented in 17 Asian countries. These achievements underscore the power of collaboration and the limitless potential of individuals committed to creating a better future. As you explore the pages of this report, I invite you to reflect on the stories of resilience, innovation, and transformation shared by our fellows. Each initiative, no matter how small, contributes to the collective impact we aspire to achieve—a sustainable, equitable world for all.

This journey would not be possible without the support of our stakeholders. To our partners, and individual donors: thank you for believing in this vision and for your continued investment in the changemakers of tomorrow. To our fellows and champions: you are the heart of this mission, and your courage and creativity inspire us every day.

As we look ahead, we remain steadfast in our commitment to fostering sustainable, ethical and transformational leadership and empowering young people to thrive. Together, we can transform challenges into opportunities and pave the way for a brighter, more sustainable future for the Asia Pacific Region.

With deep gratitude, hope and courage,
Rashmi Kiran Shrestha
Program Lead, OMLAS Fellowship Program

OMLAS STORY

One Million Leaders Asia Fellowship Program is a brain child of Peter David Pedersen, the co-founder of Next Leaders Initiative for Sustainability (NELIS), Japan. The vision of this program is to empower young leaders across the Asia-Pacific region to redefine the future of the young people and the region.

The journey began with a simple yet impactful question: How can we equip the next generation of leaders with the tools, networks, and resilience to create meaningful impact? In October 2022, OMLAS took its first steps, bringing together a cohort of diverse fellows united by their shared passion for leadership, sustainability, and community empowerment.

From its inception, OMLAS has been built on five foundational pillars: leadership development, entrepreneurial skills, sustainability, personal well-being, and community engagement. These pillars became the cornerstone of an intensive and dynamic program designed to transform individuals into proactive leaders capable of addressing complex challenges in their regions.

OMLAS began with a pilot program, offering rigorous training that blended theory with practical application.

The early days saw the formation of a vibrant network of fellows, champions, and mentors who collaborated to design and implement impactful community projects aligned with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

What started as an ambitious idea soon grew into a movement. By 2024, OMLAS had expanded its reach, empowering thousands of young leaders and catalyzing transformative projects across multiple countries. The program's emphasis on peer learning, mentorship, and capacity building created a ripple effect, inspiring fellows to mentor champions within their communities and scale their initiatives.

OMLAS is more than just a fellowship program—it is a platform for change makers, a network of passionate youth, and a catalyst for sustainable development. Each year, as the network grows, the spirit of collaboration, innovation, and impact continues to drive the program forward.

Today, OMLAS stands as a testament to the power of youth, united by a shared vision of building a sustainable and equitable future for all. This is our story, and it is still being written—one leader, one project, and one community at a time.

OMLAS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2023 & 2024

The fellowship program offers a unique blend of intensive training, mentorship, and hands-on experience. It fosters leadership development by working on personal growth, mentoring young champions, and creating a community to innovate sustainable initiatives. Fellows are supported every step of the way, from learning foundational skills to implementing transformative projects and building networks for lasting impact.

FOUR PHASES OF THE PROGRAM

PHASE 1

FELLOWS' INTENSIVE TRAINING

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PHASE 2

LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

Fellows connect, inspire, and empower local youth by sharing their learnings and forming teams. The new layer of leaders nurtured by the fellows is called as Champions.

PHASE 3

ACT-FOR CHANGE

The teams of Fellows and Champions built in Phase 2 launch community projects to address local challenges, applying the knowledge and skills they have gained through the program.

PHASE 4

GRADUATION AND OML ALUMNI COMMUNITY

Fellows and Champions who have completed the fellowship join the OML alumni community. They will connect with NexGen leaders from other regions, inspire and empower each other, and gain opportunities for networking and support.

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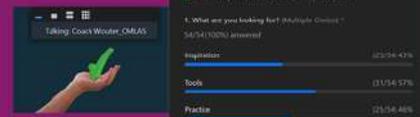
Leadership is like a Rocket



- ✓ Direction — *agreed and set*
- ✓ Alignment — *of all resources*
- ✓ Commitment — *fuel is ignited*

You can use this metaphor or choose another one.

What are y



Addressing the leadership blind spot

You can only lead others, if you can lead yourself



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Year 2025

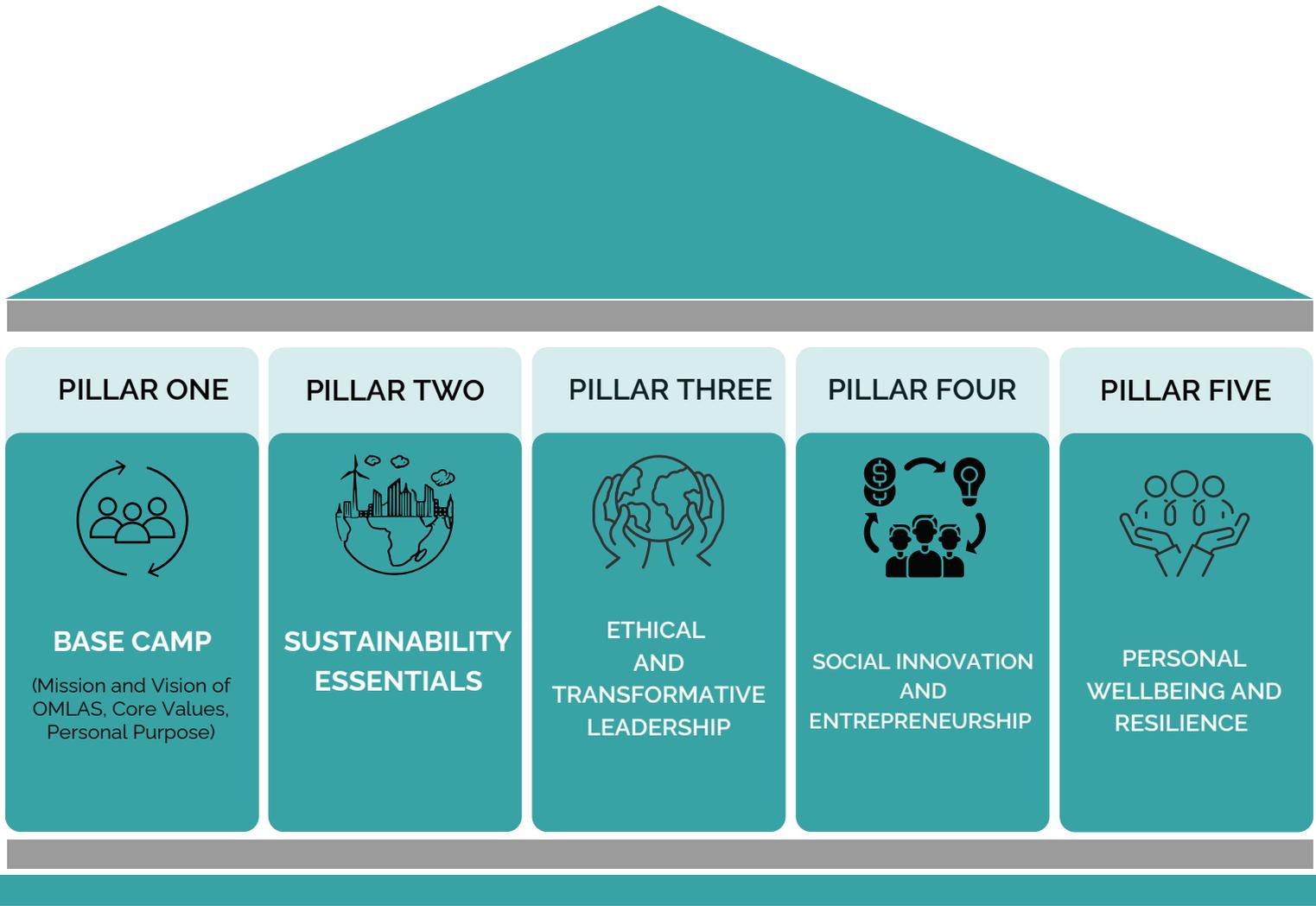
- OMLAS Fellowship Organising Committee
- 2025 Fellows Intake : 150
- OMLAS Fellowship 2025 : Two phases + 100 Countries OML Summit (October 2025)

One Million Leaders Asia Fellowship Program

OMLAS Fellowship Organising Committee 2025



Five Curriculum Pillars of OMLAS Fellowship Program



PILLAR 01 BASE CAMP

In this Pillar, Fellows are introduced to the OMLAS mission, vision, values, the Fellowship phases, the OMLAS curriculum, and Fellows will explore their vision/purpose in this Pillar. Fellows during these sessions try to embrace the core values of OMLAS: responsibility, integrity, sustainability, and ethics. Fellows will also identify their personal purpose for a meaningful change.

PILLAR 02 SUSTAINABILITY ESSENTIALS

In this phase the fellows are acquainted with the mega trends in Asia. Fellows will have in depth knowledge on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the progress in different countries in Asia. Fellow are also familiarised with challenges Asia is facing in areas of food, water, environment, climate induced disasters, circular economy, and culture. The sustainable living case study will also enlighten Fellows on the meaning of living sustainably.

PILLAR 03 ETHICAL AND TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP

In this Pillar, Fellows learn about ethical leadership, and the characteristics of ethical leadership. Similarly in the transformational leadership ,Fellows are familiarised with different styles of leadership, team building, communication, and they practice among each other. Fellows navigate different challenges they face a leader, and mentors and trainers support them in navigating the challenges Fellows face in everyday life.

PILLAR 04 SOCIAL INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The fellows are empowered to identify and analyze community challenges, ideate and prototype innovative solutions, and pitch their ideas. In this Pillar Fellows explore different aspects of entrepreneurship from drafting their personal story to pitch competition.

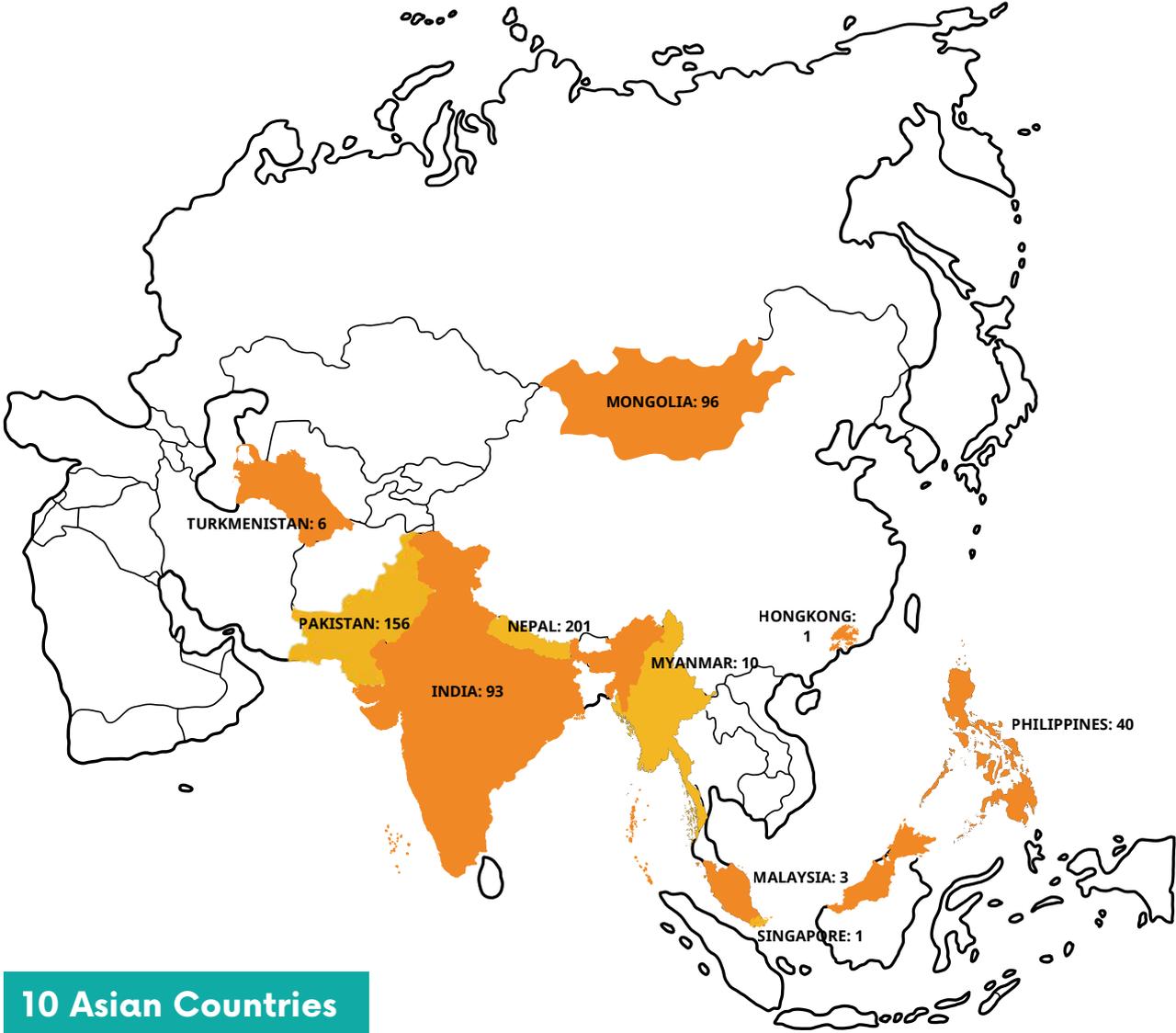
PILLAR 05 PERSONAL WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE

Recognizing the importance of mental and physical health, this pillar focuses on equipping fellows with tools to maintain personal resilience and wellbeing as they tackle complex challenges. Sessions are given to fellows to teach them strategies for stress management and self-care, build emotional resilience for leadership and balance personal wellbeing with professional commitments.

OMLAS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2023

Phase	Details	Timeline
Application Phase	247 applications were received from which 24 fellows were selected.	
Phase 1: Fellows Empowerment	Participants: 24 fellows. Activities: 32 online training sessions focused on four pillars of OML Curriculum	October 2022 - January 2023
Phase 2: Stars and Champions Empowerment	Participants: 160 stars and 429 champions. Activities: - 8 online training sessions for stars. - 6 online training sessions for champions. - 6 master classes and onsite training/workshops.	February - June 2023
Phase 3: Project Identification and Implementation	Outcome: 12 community projects designed and implemented across various locations.	July - November, 2023
Phase 4: Project Completion and Graduation	Graduates: 18 fellows, 160 stars, and 429 champions. Projects Completed: 12 impactful projects addressing local challenges.	November, 2023

OMLAS 2023 COVERAGE



OMLAS FELLOWS' PROJECT 2023

SN	Project Name	Country	Project Areas
1	Banana Fibre Extraction: Replacing Polybags with Banana Nepal Fibre Bags	Nepal	SDG 1: No poverty SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth SDG 12: Responsible consumption & production SDG 13: Climate action
2	Biodiversity Citizen Science	India	SDG 13: Climate Action SDG 14: Life Below Water SDG 15: Life on land SDG 17: Partnerships for the goals
3	Castor farming in the Chure region and underutilised land of Chitwan	Nepal	SDG 1: No poverty SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth SDG 12: Responsible consumption & production SDG 13: Climate action
4	Enhancing Sustainable and Agrochemical Free Agriculture in Nepal	Nepal	SDG 2: Zero Hunger SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production
5	From Waste to Taste	Philippines	SDG 2: Zero Hunger SDG 4: Quality Education
6	Hiking with Knowledge	Mongolia	SDG 3: Good Health and Well Being SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals
7	Loop Wears: Revitalizing Threads	Nepal	SDG 12: Ensure Sustainable Consumption and Production SDG 13: Climate Action
8	Mind Matters	Myanmar	SDG 3: Good Health SDG 4: Quality Education SDG 10: Reduced inequalities
9	Skillistan: Empowering Youth for Pakistan Sustainable Growth	Pakistan	SDG 4: Quality Education SDG 5: Gender Equality SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth SDG 13: Climate Action
10	Stitching Wings: Empowering Her through Skillful Threads	Pakistan	SDG 1: No Poverty SDG 5: Gender Equality SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth SDG 10: Reduced inequalities
11	Upcycle Products with Non- recyclable Items by Aisuka. Life	Malaysia	SDG 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth SDG 13: Climate Action
12	Youth Wisdom Network Mongolia	Mongolia	SDG 4: Quality Education

PROJECT ACTIVITIES 2023



OMLAS leaders implemented diverse range of sustainable project ideas to address current issues at the community level. Through the implementation of these projects, the leaders demonstrated true leadership, setting an example within the community.



PROJECT ACTIVITIES 2023

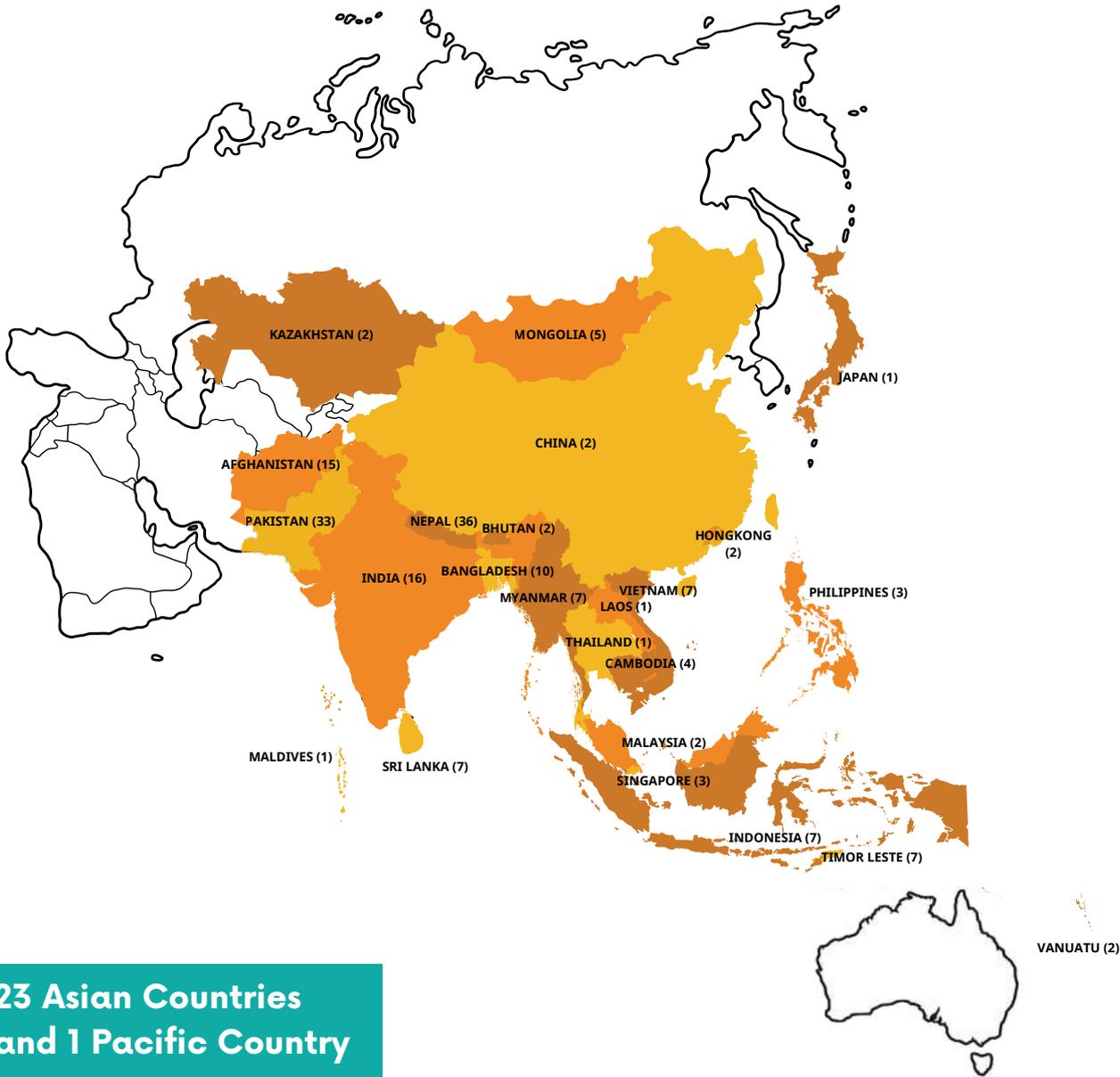


OMLAS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2024

In 2024, the program received an overwhelming response, with over 3,300 applications submitted (15 times more than the first phase). Out of these, a highly competitive selection process resulted in the selection of only 175 fellows.

Phase	Details	Timeline
Application Phase	Applications Received: 3300 applications submitted, 175 fellows selected for training.	March 4 - May 31, 2024
Phase 1: Fellows Empowerment	Participants: 175 fellows trained. Activities: 35 sessions covering 5 pillars of OMLAS.	March 4 - May 31, 2024
Phase 2: Stars and Champions Empowerment	Participants: 97 Fellows selected and empowered 1,450 champions to design and implement community projects. Activities: Training sessions for champions led by fellows.	June 1 - July 31, 2024
Phase 3: Project Identification and Implementation	Participants: 40 fellows and their champions launched impactful projects. Focus: Projects aligned with SDG goals addressing local challenges, emphasizing peer learning and capacity building.	August 1 - October 31, 2024
Phase 4: Project Completion and Graduation	Graduates: 97 fellows and 1,450 champions joined the OMLAS alumni network. Outcome: Lifelong ambassadors committed to transformational change in their communities.	November 25, 2024

OMLAS 2024 COVERAGE



23 Asian Countries
and 1 Pacific Country

Not in actual scale

OMLAS FELLOWS' PROJECT 2024

SN	Project Name	Country	SDG Goals
1	Women's Engagement in Kitchen Gardening at Home	Afghanistan	2,3,5,12,13 and 17
2	From Pollution to Solution Recycle Today for Tomorrow	Bangladesh	13,14 and 15
3	Circular Pathways Initiative (CPI)	China	4,12,13 and 17
4	Green Space Made by Green Leaders	Indonesia	11,12 and 17
5	Harmoni: Sustainable way of life	India	1,4,5,11,14 and 15
6	"Pahal: Igniting Initiative Among Youth"	Nepal	4,5 and 8
7	Research, advancement, and documentation of indigenous knowledge for alternative livelihoods (radikal)	India	2,10,11,13,14, 15 and 16
8	The Vuna-Yaaru Project	Maldives	5 and 8
9	The "Thrive Together Youth"	Mongolia	3 and 4
10	Sustainable Artivism: Using ART as Voices for Environmental, Social, and Economic Change	Malaysia	
11	Integrated Sustainable Initiative	Nepal	4.5,8,9,12,13 and 15
12	Sustainability Session	Nepal	4,5,7,8,9,11,12 and 13
13	Craftovate (Craft + Innovate)	Pakistan	1,5 and 8
14	Zero-Waste Sesame: Milk Production and Nutrient-Rich Compost	Pakistan	2.12.13 and 15
15	M.J. Happy Lives :Transforming communities through a holistic approach that blends empowerment, sustainability, and joy	Pakistan	1,2,4,5,8,9,13 and 15
16	YELP! For leadership in sustainability: Youth Exchange and Learning Programme for Leadership in Sustainability	India	4,11,13 and 17
17	Sarsabz Zindagi : Enhance environmental sustainability and community well-being in Karachi by promoting urban gardening and providing educational programs on environmental stewardship	Pakistan	3,11,12 and 13

OMLAS FELLOWS' PROJECT 2024

SN	Project Name	Country	SDG Goals
18	Roshan Foundation: Empowering Minds, Elevating Futures	Pakistan	3,4,8,11 and 13
19	Sustainable sea-sponge farming in Sri-Lanka the first sea sponge farm in south asia	Sri-Lanka	1,8,11,13 and 14
20	Bud Network Disability and Entrepreneurship	Vietnam	8 and 10
21	Green Oasis with Green life	Pakistan	1,2,4,13,15,17 and 18
22	"Eco-Linguistic" Sustainability Through English and Waste Management	Indonesia	4 and 12
23	Eco-Edu Outreach	Myanmar	4,13,15 and 17
24	Life Literacy for Afghan Girls	Afghanistan	3,4 and 5
25	Empowering Tomorrow's Digital Citizens in Timor-Leste	Timore-Leste	
26	Climate Resilience, Environmental Protection and Promotion of Recycling activities and industrialization investments	Timore-Leste	13
27	The Level Up Project	Laos	
12	Agro-Forest Biodiversity Conservation through Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship: Promoting Indigenous Seeds and Native Flora	Nepal	1,2 and 13
29	AASHA (Hope): Foster proper mental health and well-being	Nepal	3 and 4
30	Cultivating a New Cohort of Wildlife Stewards in Kathmandu Valley	Nepal	4 and 11
31	Urvara: Regenerating and Sustaining Nepal's Ecosystem	Nepal	2,12 and 13
32	Chinta Chetana: A Solution to Climate Anxiety	Nepal	3,4,5 and 13
33	Community-Based Biochar and Bio Briquettes Production From the IAPS Project	Nepal	1,3,13 and 15
34	TrailArray : Trail means Offbeat Path and Array means a Collection. When combined it roughly translate to a Collection of Offbeat Path	India	4 and 8

PROJECT ACTIVITIES 2024



Most of the community projects will continue in the long run through partnerships between local stakeholders and young individuals within the community.



PROJECT ACTIVITIES 2024



OMLAS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

IMPACT 2023 AND 2024

The impact of this Fellowship program is phenomenal in terms of interest of the young people to enrol in the program. From first year to the second year, the applicants number is 15 times more. The experiences of these young Fellows inspire and encourage us to do more of this program in the region.

The projects implemented by these Fellows with limited resources show the power of young energy and innovation.

The table below summarises the overall combined impact in the year 2023/24.

Year	2023/24
Fellows	115
Champions	2039
Community Projects	46
Direct Beneficiaries	19363

The program has demonstrated significant growth and impact over time. In 2023, we engaged 18 fellows and 584 champions, including 155 stars, and supported 12 impactful community projects, collectively involving 602 participants. By 2024, we achieved substantial scaling, with 97 fellows and 1,450 champions driving 34 community projects, reaching a total of 1,547 participants.

All the projects implemented by the fellows in 2024 were thoughtfully designed to align with various Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as illustrated in the accompanying chart. Each project focused on fostering sustainable solutions tailored to the specific needs of the communities they served while also contributing to broader global priorities. This alignment highlights the fellows' dedication to creating meaningful change that supports the shared vision of achieving the SDGs by 2030. In 2024, OMLAS projects directly impacted over 19,000 individuals and indirectly benefited 43,000+, demonstrating widespread community influence.

The direct beneficiaries include individuals who actively participated in or were the primary recipients of the projects' outcomes, while the indirect beneficiaries encompass those who experienced positive ripple effects, such as improved access to resources, enhanced knowledge, or strengthened community systems.



TESTIMONIALS 2023



I am a determined young woman from a faraway place called Gilgit-Baltistan. I embarked on a life-changing journey with OMLAS, and my story shows that with strong determination and courage, you can achieve amazing things. OMLAS equipped me with important skills in leadership, making the world better, and helping others. I even had the opportunity to find and support 20 awesome young leaders from my own place. My journey with OMLAS is making my community better too. My story is proof that no dream is too big, and OMLAS can help others like me do incredible things. With my passion, OMLAS will continue to be a source of change and hope for many more.

Bibi Taifa
Pakistan



Being part of OMLAS has been a transformative experience, helping me see life from different angles. It's widened my outlook, making me more positive and hopeful in every situation. Our project's significant impact has been our campaign to raise awareness about the harmful effects of agrochemical pesticides. Young leaders who were initially hesitant to face the public are now able to inspire school students to use pesticides safely. What started with one school has grown to a total of ten, and each young leader is excited to run this campaign on their own. This way, we aim to reach more than 100 community schools.

Sarad Pokhrel
Nepal

TESTIMONIALS 2023



“ My greatest achievement is "connecting" with new friends who are now part of a community of practitioners who "inspire" and "empower" each other. Through our involvement in various OMLAS activities and the OMLAS Fellow network, we have improved our sustainability leadership and developed a strong network of like-minded individuals. The multiple projects that we have taken on and executed are a testament to the fact that we are creating transformative change and are poised to change the world.

**Nathaniel Bhakupar
Dkhar, India**



“ I've learned and grown a lot through OMLAS trainings on Transformative Leadership, Sustainability, Social Innovation, and Entrepreneurship. I used to think leadership was only for a few people born with a special talent, but now I see it is about making a positive difference for others. The OMLAS fellowship program helped me find my life's purpose and make a lasting impact, like with the WASTE to TASTE (W2T) project.

I really value my OMLAS journey, and I feel confident as I keep learning and leading. I'm thankful to my fellow participants for teaching me valuable life lessons.

**Harison Palaran
Philippines**

TESTIMONIALS 2023



I'm honoured to share my OMLAS Fellowship journey, which transformed my leadership and community involvement. My most significant achievement was starting Skillistan, empowering Pakistani youth with sustainability and digital income skills. OMLAS supported me in refining leadership, community engagement, and building a like-minded network. Skillistan bridges education and employability for youth. OMLAS training empowered us to start from scratch, impacting thousands of Pakistani youth. Witnessing the positive transformation in the lives of these youth, as they gain the skills and confidence to secure a brighter future for themselves and contribute to their communities, has been incredibly rewarding. We expanded through partnerships with organizations like the UNDP Movers Programme. Witnessing youth transform and contribute to their communities has been rewarding. Thanks to OMLAS, I'm equipped to create lasting change through Skillistan. I endorse OMLAS for those passionate about youth empowerment in sustainability.

Shershah Khan
Pakistan



The OMLAS Fellowship program has been a transformative journey for me. The program's credible curriculum, training modules, exceptional mentors, and supportive network, including the OMLAS Secretariat, my OMLAS fellows, etc., have expanded my horizons. Personally, I have been inspired by the dedicated OMLAS leaders, including our fellows, stars, and champions, and their hard work. I have had the privilege of learning valuable insights and practices from my mentors such as Peter David, Coach Wouter, Jake, and others, as well as from my fellows across Asia. The experience, support, and guidance I've received have been instrumental in my personal and professional growth. I acknowledge that the OMLAS program embodies the spirit of empowerment and collaboration, adhering to values such as responsibility, integrity, sustainability, and ethics.

Zaw Myo Htet
Myanmar

TESTIMONIALS 2024



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OMLAS has truly transformed my journey, enhancing my leadership and social innovation abilities while motivating me to launch Hope Wave, a consulting firm focused on education, climate change, and capacity building in Afghanistan. This program strengthened my dedication to sustainable development and introduced me to remarkable mentors and change makers. To those considering applying: seize this chance to learn, grow, and develop meaningful solutions for a brighter future.

**Husnulmubarak
Mustafa, Afghanistan**



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I highly recommend the OMLAS Fellowship for aspiring leaders passionate about making a meaningful impact. This program offers invaluable mentorship, fosters global connections, and provides a platform for personal and professional growth. The fellowship encourages collaboration with diverse, driven peers and empowers fellows to drive social change. If you are committed towards leadership, social innovation, and creating sustainable impact, OMLAS is an exceptional opportunity to sharpen your skills and make a difference.

**Zehra Shallwani,
Pakistan**

TESTIMONIALS 2024



“ To put it in short, OMLAS not only connected me to a global youth network but also honed my project design and proposal development skills which empowered me to secure several projects across both profit and non-profit sectors in Afghanistan.

If you're ready to think outside the box and turn ideas into action, OMLAS is the perfect platform to grow, connect with thousands of youth, and inspire millions worldwide.

**Sanaullah Salam,
Afghanistan**



“ Being selected as an OMLAS Fellow among 175 exceptional leaders from Asia has been a transformative milestone. The program challenged me through intensive training in leadership, innovation, and sustainability, enhancing my ability to lead impactful projects by blending art and advocacy. Representing Malaysia in the One Million Leaders Asia has been an honor, deepening my resolve to drive change. OMLAS is a life-changing experience for those ready to amplify their leadership potential.

**Sugaanesh Ganesan,
Malaysia**

TESTIMONIALS 2024



“ In just nine months, OMLAS Fellowship has taught me lessons I hadn't learned in my 23 years of life. It showed me the essence of true leadership - not merely leading but empowering others to lead, shaping knowledge, and creating ripple effects of positive change.

Alveena Farooq
Pakistan



“ My experience in the OMLAS fellowship was challenging but rewarding, requiring strong commitment over nine months with multiple phases. What I enjoyed most was to learn about transformational leadership, which aligned with my professional experience. The OMLAS team offers great support, celebrating milestones and sharing opportunities for growth. Joining OMLAS will boost your skills and leadership—an experience worth pursuing.

Ade Damayanti,
Indonesia

TESTIMONIALS 2024



I firmly believe this initiative has a transformative impact, equipping young leaders with the confidence, tools, and opportunities to evolve into the best versions of themselves while championing sustainable and impactful projects. For future participants, this fellowship will undoubtedly offer a platform to showcase their ideas, gain recognition for their efforts, and engage in valuable action-based learning that drives real-world change.

**Oshan Thapa Magar,
Nepal**



The OMLAS Fellowship taught us that leadership is a marathon, not a sprint. From day one, the program provided tools and a mindset for long-term impact. We received comprehensive training and passed on our knowledge by mentoring champions, fostering a cycle of growth and empowerment. OMLAS guided us in developing strong project proposals and offered a platform to secure funding for initiatives. I'm deeply grateful to OMLAS and NELIS Global for their unwavering support. If you're passionate about becoming a leader but are unsure where to start, I highly recommend this Fellowship.

**Aishwarya Lodha,
India**

TESTIMONIALS 2024



“ Participating in the OMLAS Fellowship has been a transformative experience. It enhanced my leadership skills and expanded my network. This program is a catalyst for discovering purpose, sharpening vision, and driving impactful action. For aspiring applicants, I highly recommend it—it’s an opportunity to grow, lead, and create meaningful change in your community and beyond.

**Aminath Ali,
Maldives**



“ When I first joined OMLAS, I hoped to connect with like-minded individuals to engage in meaningful discussions and exchange insights with peers. However, OMLAS turned out to be much more than I anticipated. The program, starting from Ikigai to entrepreneurial development, guided me in discovering my true passion—a journey I believe is one of the most profound yet challenging discoveries one can make.

**Ashra. M. Wickramathilaka,
Sri Lanka**

TESTIMONIALS 2024



“ Being an OMLAS fellow was a life-changing experience. I can clearly see the difference in myself before and after the fellowship. What I learned in one year through OMLAS—about leadership, sustainability, and creating real-world impact—which I could not have learned within three years at university. This program not only shaped my skills but also gave me the confidence to implement impactful projects. For aspiring applicants-OMLAS is your gateway to transforming ideas into action and becoming a true changemaker.

Mohima Rahman
Bangladesh



“ Joining OMLAS has been one of the most transformative journeys of my life. Thanks to the trust and support of OMLAS, I was able to turn my rough ideas into impactful projects. It not only allowed me to engage in community work but also inspired me to move forward, experiencing the joy of creating positive change. More than a leadership program, OMLAS empowers your vision into action. So if you want to lead with purpose and make a real lasting impact, this is the place to start.

Khin Myat Noe,
Myanmar



Call to Action

"Join us in empowering the next generation of changemakers. Whether as a fellow, partner, or supporter, your contribution can drive transformative change in communities across Asia and beyond"

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