

### 13. Product Development and Labeling of Clean Cookstoves and Standardized Biomass Fuels for Nepali Market



The World Bank has provided technical assistance to the Government of Nepal (GoN) through the programme titled **Developing Improved Solutions for Cooking (DISC)**. DISC is currently supporting Alternate Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC) to prepare a roadmap on **Product Development and Labeling of Clean Cookstoves and Standardized Biomass Fuels for the Nepali Market**. DISC initiative of the World Bank (WB) assigned CRT/N to conduct a study and prepare a roadmap on Product Development and Labeling of Clean Cookstoves and Standardized Biomass Fuels for the Nepali Market.

#### Project Duration

- 12th August, 2015- 31st December, 2017

#### Project Area

- Throughout the Country

#### Beneficiaries

- All Bio-energy stakeholders in the country;
- Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC); Nepal
- Bureau of Standards and Metrology (NBS M) etc.



*Testing the quality of cookstove*

#### The Objectives

The objective of this program is to help broaden the menu of clean cooking options available to Nepalese households by identifying the attributes of high quality biomass fuel based cookstoves and processed biomass fuels that best meet the preferences of users in Nepal. The program has the following objectives:

- Establish cookstoves labeling criteria that will help identify high quality biomass based cookstoves that meet the criteria for Tier 3 and above that best meet the preferences of Nepalese users.
- Establish labeling criteria for processed biomass fuels available in Nepal that will help identify the highest quality fuels that best meet international standards and preferences of Nepalese users.
- Provide recommendations on possible next steps for the operationalization of a biomass based cookstoves and processed fuels standardization and labeling system for Nepal.

This assignment is a part of support to GoN through AEPC. The study was conducted by CRT/N together with its partners, Centre for Energy and Environment, Nepal (CEEN) and Energy Environment Research and Development Centre (EERDC) in close coordination with AEPC and World Bank.