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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A developer conveying mechanism includes a first lateral conveyance path forming portion and a second lateral conveyance path forming portion. The first lateral conveyance path forming portion includes a first conveyance member that is configured to convey developer in a first lateral direction. The second lateral conveyance path forming portion includes a second conveyance member that is configured to convey, in a second lateral direction, the developer that has fallen down from a lower opening of the first lateral conveyance path forming portion. The lower opening is formed such that its width expands from an upstream side to a downstream side in the first lateral direction.

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