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Heartfelt Congratulations !!!



Rt' Hon'ble Prime Minister and
Chancellor of Kathmandu
University, Sushil Koirala.



Hon'ble Education Minis-
ter and Pro-Chancellor of
Kathmandu University, Mrs.
Chitralekha Yadav.

Rt. Hon'ble Vice President Mr. Paramananda Jha at KU



Rt. Hon'ble Vice President of Nepal Mr. Paramananda Jha, paid a gracious visit to KU Central Premises, Dhulikhel, on 11 February 2014. He observed class rooms, laboratories, canteen and library of the University. He interacted with KU officials and expressed his satisfaction with the contribution of KU for providing high-skilled human resources to the country.

Dr. Sharma Received Honorary Doctorate Degree



Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) honored Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma, the founding Vice Chancellor of Kathmandu University, with the degree of 'Doctor Honoris Causa' in a special ceremony at Trondheim, Norway, on 28 March, 2014.

The NTNU had decided to award Dr. Sharma

for recognition of his significant contribution to the development of higher education in Nepal. The decision stated: "Your work in many ways personifies our university's mission 'Knowledge for a better world'".

Dr. Sharma was the first Nepalese recipient of honorary doctorate from NTNU.

At a special ceremony Prof. Gunnar Bovim, Rector of NTNU, bestowed a certificate of 'Doctor of Honoris Causa' and a 'Golden Ring' to Dr. Sharma. We congratulate to Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma.

APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Bipin Adhikari Appointed as the Dean of School of Law

The Executive Council of Kathmandu University appointed Dr. Bipin Adhikari the Dean of the newly established School of Law, on 25 December 2013. Dr. Adhikari has a Ph.D. in Law from Delhi University, and has established himself as the country's leading constitutional jurist. Prior to his appointment in KU, he has headed Nepal Consulting Lawyers Inc. and Nepal Constitution Foundation (NCF), organizations engaged with the constitution building process in Nepal.

The Kathmandu University School of Law (KUSoL) is join to launch its first five year Undergraduate Law programme in August, 2014.



Associate Dean in School of Education

On 20 March 2014, the Executive Council appointed Dr. Bal Chandra Luitel, Associate Professor, as the Associate Dean of School of Education for three years.

National Seminar on Media Ethics

The Department of Languages and Mass Communication at Kathmandu University (KU) organized a one-day national seminar on "Media Ethics" on March 23, 2014. The seminar brought together a number of distinguished academics, scholars and practicing journalists actively involved in the field,

Five-day Training Program on Data Analysis and Statistical Interpretation

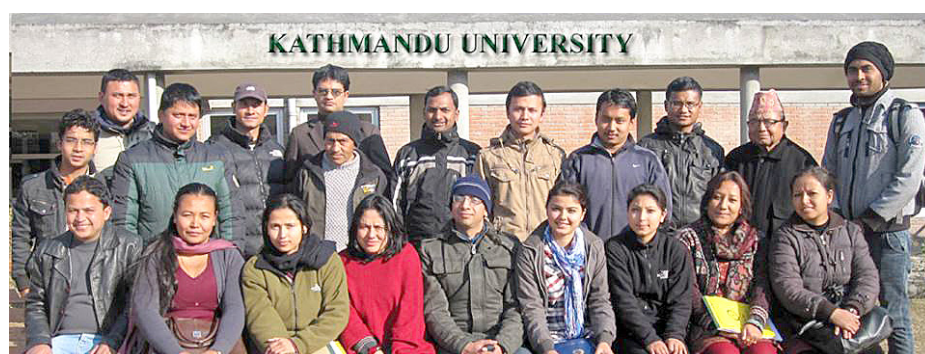
A five day training program on Data Analysis and Statistical Interpretation was held from 25 February to 3 March 2014. Nine persons participated in the training : seven participants from KU, one from TU and one from CTEVT. Prof. Dr. Jyoti Upadhyaya was the resource person.

Various methodologies of application of statistical analysis to the research data and its correct interpretation were discussed in detail. The role of data in interdisciplinary research was also elaborated

Workshops on Technical Communication & Outcomes-Based Pedagogical Process

- On 29 December 2013, Humanities and Management Unit (HMU), School of Engineering, organized a workshop on Technical Communication. Eighteen teachers from different Departments of School of Engineering and School of Science participated in the Workshop.
- A two-day Workshop on "Outcomes-Based Pedagogical Process" was organized in School of Engineering during 27-28 January 2014. Fifteen faculty members from School of

Engineering, School of Science and School of Medical Sciences participated in the Workshop. The workshop covered different pedagogy themes as Planning for Learning: How and Why, Developing Learning Outcomes: Bloom's Taxonomy at Work, Deciding on Classroom Activities, Making Classroom Teaching Effective, and Developing Assessment Strategies of Dr. Bal Chandra Luitel, Associate Professor of School of Education, facilitated the two day workshop.



Inception Meeting

The NORHED Project with the acronym SUN-REM-Himalaya, administered by the Aquatic Ecology Centre, School of Science, Kathmandu University, organized an Inception Meeting from 29-30 Jan 2014 at CV Raman auditorium.

SUNREM-Himalaya is a collaborative

project between Norway, Nepal, Pakistan and Bhutan with focus on Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Climate Change Adaptation in the Himalayan Region to be implemented for a period of five years, with the possibility of extension for another five years subject to conditions.



Instructional Workshop on Applied Mathematics Organised

The Department of Natural Sciences (DoNS) (Mathematics Group), KU, organized a six- day Instructional Workshop on Applied Mathematics (IWAM 2014) from 21 to 26 February 2014, in collaboration with Tribhuvan University (TU), Nepal Sanskrit University (NSU) and Nepal Mathematical Society (NMS). A broader goal of the Workshop was to contribute to the enhancement of Applied Mathematics in Nepalese context.

Twenty five persons including faculties, research scholars, M. Phil. and Master level students from KU, TU and NSU actively participated in this Workshop.

The resource people for the workshops were Prof. Dr. Santosh Man Maskey (TU), Prof. Chet Raj Bhatta (TU) and Prof. Kanhaiya Jha (KU), and Prof. Rajendra Prasad Pant (Kumaon University, Nainital), and Prof. Pankaj Jain (South Asian University, New Delhi).

Closing Ceremony of KACE 2014

On 25 February 2014, KACE 2014, a weeklong co-curricular mega-event of School of Management, concluded with awarding of the trophy, medals and certificates to the winners and participants by Vice Chancellor amidst a function at the KUSOM, Balkumari.

MBA 2014 Spring won the Running Trophy this year by scoring the highest winning points.



IT Meet @ KU

Kathmandu University Computer Club conducted IT Meet 2013 as an annual IT related event on 27- 29 December, 2013 at the University Premises.

The main focus of the event were Software and Hardware competition and exhibitions.



WASH 2014 Held



A four day national level training on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene 2014 (WASH 2014) was held during 17 to 20 March at CV Raman Auditorium, Kathmandu University.

The third session in the series of WASH trainings that started in 2012, WASH 2014 saw participation of diverse groups of people including personnel from various NGOs/INGOs, health sectors, civil engineering, media and students of various institutions.

Agro- Food and Pharmaceutical Seminar

A two days seminar on "Role of Biotechnology in Agro-Food and Pharmaceutical Industry" was organized on February 13, at KU Dhulikhel Premises. Approximately 50 experts and students from different national and international sectors participated in the program.

Chinese NEW YEAR Celebrated

Kathmandu University Confucius Institute organized a cultural program to mark the Chinese New Year at the CV Raman Auditorium. The chief guest of the program was His Excellency Ambassador of China to Nepal, Wu Chuntai. On the occasion the students and faculty of the Institute presented Chinese songs and dance.

TTL Celebrates Second Anniversary



Second Anniversary Issue of Turbin Testing Lab.

On 18 March 2014, Turbine Testing Lab [TTL], Kathmandu University, celebrated its second anniversary at TTL Auditorium, Mr. Daman Nath Dhungana Chairman the Board of Trustees and Prof. Dr. Ram Kantha Makaju Shrestha Vice Chancellor of Kathmandu University, jointly launched TTL Bulletin.

MoU with Land Management Training Center

On 12 January 2014, KU signed MoU with Land Management Training Centre (LMTC) of Ministry of Land Reform and Management (MOLRM), to run Master in Land Administration Program in the Department of Civil & Geomatics Engineering (DCGE)

of Kathmandu University, Prof. Dr. Bhola Thapa, Registrar, KU, and Mr. Kalyan Gopal Shrestha, Executive Director, LMTC, signed the MoU on behalf of their respective organizations.



Faculty and Non-Teaching Staff Space

Farewell Program to Non-Teaching Staffs



A Farewell Program was organized for four non-teaching staffs; Mr. Rudra Prasad Aryal, Manager, Central Library, Mr. Sesh Raj Duwadi, Internal Auditor, Mr. Purusottam Pradhan, Officer, Examination, and Mr. Bel Bahadur Gurung, Assistant, Examination. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Ram Kantha Makaju Shrestha presented Token of Love to the retiring staffs.

Distribution of Education Awards



Registrar Prof. Dr. Bhola Thapa, distributed Education Award to the staff of KU. Government of Nepal distributes Education Award to the employee of Educational Institution who perform excellent of their jobs.



KU staff at Hyatt Regency to celebrate Women's Day



KU staff football team after the victory on The Fourth KU- Staff cup 7'A' Side football Tournament organized on 31 January 2014



KU Staff at Picnic



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PAPER PRESENTATION

Prof. Dr. Deepak Prasad Subedi, Associate Dean of School of Science, presented a paper entitled "Surface Characterization of Polymers Modified by the Coating of Aloe vera Gel" in the 2nd International Conference on Medical Materials, Devices and Regenerative Medicine (MMDRM, 2014) held in Kathmandu during January 11-13, 2014. Prof. Subedi also chaired a session on Biomaterials in the second day of the Conference.

Dr. Nirmala Mani Adhikary, Asst. Professor and Coordinator of Media Studies at School of Arts, delivered a speech as chief guest at the valedictory function of the International Seminar on Cinema and Literature at Shevgaon (Ahmednagar), Maharashtra, India on 28 December 2013. The seminar was organized on 27 and 28 December by New College of Arts, Science and Commerce affiliated to Pune University.

Mr. Purusottam Kharel, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, presented a paper entitled "E-Government Implementing Challenges Verification Using Fuzzy Logic." in the 4th IEEE International Conference held in Gurgaon, India, during 21-22 February 2014.

Mr. Manoj Kumar Gupta, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, presented a paper entitled "A System Model of Online Trading System for Nepal Stock Exchange" at IEEE International Conference: INDIA Com - 2014. The conference was held in Bharati Vidyapeeth's Institute of Computer Applications and Management (BVICAM), New Delhi, India, during 5-7 March 2014.

Mr. Prakash Subedi, Lecturer in English at School of Arts, presented a paper entitled "Images of War in South Asian Poetry" at the

SAARC Literary Festival, Dhaka, Bangladesh. The program was organized by the WRITE Foundation, the Bangladesh chapter of the Foundation of SAARC Writers, on February 27-28. The festival was focused on the theme "Beyond Borders: Towards Trust and Reconciliation." The festival was attended by noted scholars, academics, and writers from all the eight SAARC countries including Nepal.

Mr. Padam Raj Pant, School of Education, presented a paper titled "Virtual Classroom with moodle, the Best Practice Using ICT in Education" at FNCCI Hall of Hetauda, Makawanpur. The workshop, titled "Use of ICT in Education", was jointly organized by ICT Association of Nepal, Ministry of Education and Consulate General of India Birgunj, Nepal (CG Birgunj), on 14 March 2014.

Dr. Ken Ohashi delivers a special talk at KU

Dr. Ken Ohashi, former Country Representative of World Bank to Nepal delivered a special talk on "Why has Nepal fallen behind in development so far, and how can Nepal change it?" in a program organized by Kathmandu University on 26 February 2014.

Dr. Ohashi outlined the global developmental scenario and highlighted the features of East Asian development models along with pros and cons of each models. He pointed that innovativeness and inclusiveness are the key aspects of development for any country. Democratic stable government is a prereq-

uisite for achieving sustainable development of the nation, he stressed.

He suggested that society has to change its conventional thoughts of working style, existing culture bounded norms and values for gearing up the development process.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Ram Kantha Makaju Shrestha welcomed Dr. Ohashi at the University. Prof. Dr. Bhola Thapa, Registrar, students and teaching and non-teaching staffs of Kathmandu University and invitees from World Bank, Japanese Embassy, JICA and KOICA were also present in the talk program.



Courtesy Visits

His Excellency Ranjit Rae, Ambassador of India to Nepal, paid a visit to the Kathmandu University and Dhulikhel Hospital on 3 March 2014.



His Excellency Masahi Ogawa, Ambassador of Japan to Nepal, planting Sakura Tree at Dhulikhel Hospital.

Courtesy Visits

Dr. Philippe H. Le Houverou, Vice President, World Bank and Mr. Johannes Zutt, Country Director of World Bank to Nepal, at the Kathmandu University on 26 March 2014



Hon'ble Minister for Infrastructure and Transportation , Mr. Bimalendra Nidhi, at the Kathmandu University on 29 March 2014.

Prof. Dr. Bernard Amadei, US Science Envoy, Mortenson Chair in Global Engineering, University of Colorado and Mr. Ari Nathan, Director, Regional Environment Science Technology and Health Office for South Africa visited the University on 3 Feb. 2014

