2ND INTERNATIONAL SUSTAINABLE MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM CONFERENCE

SCIENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT POKHARA, NEPAL, 6 - 8 OCTOBER 2023

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Venue: Crystal Mahal and Hotel Mount Kailash Resort, Lakeside, Pokhara

5 October 2023: Arrival of participants to the conference site and on-site registration

Day 1: 6 October 2023

8:00-8:45	Registration (continued), Tea and Coffee (Crystal Mahal, Main Hall)
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Plenary Session, Crystal Mahal, Main Hall

8:45-10:10	OPENING SESSION
10:10-10:30	Tea/Coffee Break
10:30-11:10	Keynote Speech 1: Martin Price Mountains on global agendas – a five-decade perspective
11:10-11:50	Keynote Speech 2: Teiji Watanabe Regenerative tourism: address in a population declining town of Kamikawa, Daisetsuzan National Park, Japan
11:50-12:00	Discussion
12:00-13:15	Lunch (Crystal Mahal)

Parallel Session, Crystal Mahal, Main Hall

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Technical Session S-01A: Geo-conservation, geo-park and geotourism				
Chair: Lalu Prasad Paudel				
13:15-13:35	Lalu Prasad Paudel	Geotourism: Global perspective and Nepal's potential		
13:35-13:55	Ranjan Kumar Dahal and Shuichi Hasegawa	Exploring Geopark Potential in the Nepal Himalaya		
13:55-14:15	Ramji Sharma and Som Nath Sapkota	Geotourism: An Unexplored Treasure of Nepalese Tourism Trajectory		
14:15-14:35	Michał Krobicki and Lalu Prasad Paudel	Pieniny Mountains (Polish Carpathians) and Kali Gandaki Valley (Nepalese Himalaya) – geotourism treasures comparison		
14:35-14:55	Ronit Paudel, Gaurab Gyawali, Subash Chaudhary, Arjun Budhathoki and Kabi Raj Paudyal	Geo-tourism Assessment of the Dolalghat-Kodari section of the Sindhupalchok District, Central Nepal		
14:55-15:05	Discussion			
15:05-15:20	Break			
Technical Se	ssion S-01B: Geo-conservation, g	geo-park and geotourism		
Chair: Kabir	, ,			
15:20-15:40	Ananta Prasad Gajurel and Mary Hubbard	Tourism of Geology and landscape of the Everest (Sagarmatha) Region, Nepal		
15:40-16:00	Susmita Dhakal, Prem Nath Paudel, Dinesh Pathak and Ranjan Kumar Dahal	Potentials of Geo-Conservation Concept for the Environmental Conservation in Lumbini - Palpa area, Western Nepal		
16:00-16:20	Nawaraj Parajuli and Durga Khatiwada	Tourism and Hidden Geology for Tourist within the Annapurna Mountain Range		
16:20-16:40	Katsuhiko Asahi	High aptitude for UNESCO Global Geopark implementation in Nepal		
16:40-16:50	Discussion			
16:50-17:00	Break			
Technical Se	ssion S-01C: Geo-conservation, g	geo-park and geotourism		
	ta Prasad Gajurel	, <u> </u>		
17:00-17:20	Kabi Raj Paudyal, Aashish Gautam, Sunil Lamsal, Dhurba Kandel, Rabindra Nepal, Suman Maharjan, Manjari Acharya, Gaurab Gyawali, Subash Chaudhary, Lalu Prasad Paudel and Sunita Pokharel	Geo-tourism site in the Bhairahawa-Tamghas section of Lumbini Province, western Nepal		
17:20-17:40	Manjari Acharya and Kabi Raj Paudyal	Inventory of geotouristic routes along the southern hills of the Kathmandu Valley		
17:40-18:00	Sanjeeb Pandey , Prativa Pokhrel and Kabi Raj Paudyal	Prospecting Geo-Tourism and Geo-Conservation in Pokhara-Ghandruk, Gandaki Province, Nepal		

18:00-18:20	Indra Lamsal, Prakash Luitel and Ranesh Raj Pant	Exploring Geodiversity and Geo-Tourism Opportunities in Surkhet District, Karnali Province, Nepal
18:20-18:30	Discussion	
18:45-20:30	Gala Dinner (Hotel Kailash)	

Parallel Session, Crystal Mahal, 2nd Floor

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Technical Session S-02: Ensuring provision of sustainable recreational use in mountainous protected areas				
Chair: Ting	Wang and Teiji Watanab	e		
13:15-13:35	Yusuke Kobayashi and Teiji Watanabe		Evaluation and monitoring of trail's repair work in Daisetsuzan National Park, Japan	
13:35-13:55	Pragya Bhatt and Catherine		Monitoring mountain tourism using user generated social media data	
13:55-14:15	Tomoya Sakai, Yuichi S. Hay Yusuke Kobayashi		Applicability of smartphone-borne LiDAR for mountain trail management	
14:15-14:35	Ting Wang , Teiji Watanabe, Regmi and Dhananjay Regmi		Degradation of natural-surface trails on yak pasturelands in Sagarmatha National Park, Nepal Himalaya	
14:35-14:45	Discussion			
14:45-15:00	Break			
Technical Sea	ssion S-03: Geodiversity a	nd connec	tivity in mountain rivers with high-definition surface data	
Chair: B.M.	Refat Faisal and Yuichi S	. Hayakaw	a	
15:00-15:20	B. M. Refat Faisal and Yuichi S. Hayakawa		ometric characterization and sediment connectivity in mountainous river basin: Brahmaputra	
15:20-15:40	Yuichi S. Hayakawa, Fumitoshi Imaizumi and Ryoko Nishii	Evaluation of sediment production processes in a large landslide using multi-sensor high- precision uncrewed aerial systems		
15:40-16:00	Yu Xinyue, Xiaoxiao Wang, Masato Hayamizu and Yuichi S. Hayakawa	Evaluating vegetation recovery patterns on landslide-impacted mountainous slopes after the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi earthquake (Japan) through aerial and satellite multispectral imaging		
16:00-16:20	Abdul Azim Muhammad Zulhilmi and Yuichi S. Hayakawa	Exploring Geomorphological Landscapes through Virtual Reality: A Case Study of Landslides in Hokkaido, Japan		
16:20-16:30	Discussion			
16:30-16:45	Break			
Technical Se	ssion S-05: Hydrology & v	water reso	urces management	
Chair: Vishn	u Prasad Pandey			
16:45-17:05	Muhammad Mahmood Ul Hassan and Koichi Isobe	Exploring Extreme Precipitation Dynamics and Temperature Relationships Using Clausius- Clapeyron Equation in Three Pakistani Cities		
17:05-17:25	Anjana Paudel and Dinesh Pathak	Groundwater Significance to Sustainability of People Living in Siwalik Region of Manahari Watershed, Central Nepal		
17:25-17:45	Umesh Chandra Bhusal, Hari Ghimire and Shikha Gautam	Significance of geophysical method for groundwater exploration to ensure sustainability of the resource		
17:45-18:05	Sunita Magar, Shraddha Dhungana, Neelam Maharjan and Dinesh Pathak	Hydrochemical Analysis and Water Quality Assessment Using Water Quality Index in Siwalik Region of Central Nepal		
18:05-18:15	Discussion			
18:45-20:30	Gala Dinner (Hotel Kailash)			

8:45-18:35	Poster Session (Hotel Kailash, 2 nd Floor Entrance)
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Day 2: 7 October 2023

Plenary Session, Hotel Kailash, 2nd Floor

9:35- 9:55	Keynote Speech 5: Ghana Gurung WWF Nepal	
9:15-9:35	Keynote Speech 4: Frédéric Kauffman Developing Sustainable Base Camp in Mt. Everest, Khumbu, Nepal	
0.43-9.13	Mountain Cleaning Campaign	
8:45-9:15	Keynote Speech 3: Bri. General Sundar Pandey	

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	ession S-08A: Education fo chi Ueno and Chi Huyen T			
10:00-10:20	Phanchung	Sustainability of indigenous and local traditional knowledge of mountain people through mainstreaming into the university curriculum in the Hindu Kush Himalayan region		
10:20-10:40	Kenichi Ueno	Explore the opportunities of ESMD in Asia		
10:40-11:00	Shirou Xiang	Enhancing Geoscientific Education: A Case Study of Tokachi-Shikaoi Geopark, Japan, Using Questionnaire Survey and GIS Analysis		
11:00-10:20	Narayangopal Ghimire	Role of Engineering Geology Education in Infrastructure Development in Mountain region, Nepal		
11:20-11:30	Discussion			
11:30-11:45	Break			
	sion S-08B: Education for sus ii Ueno and Chi Huyen Truor	tainable mountain development ng (Shachi)		
11:45-12:05	Ganga Ram Gautam	Engagement of the Nepali Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Education for the Sustainable Mountain Futures		
12:05-12:25	Chi Huyen Truong (Shachi)	Sustainable Eco-tourism Development in the Central Himalayas		
12:25-12:45	Yangdon	Cashi Gyeltshen and Higher education institution curricula and graduate competency for sustainable mountain futures: A case of Bhutan		
12:45-12:55	Discussion			
12:55-15:00	Lunch (Hotel Kailash)			
Technical Se Chair: Ram		ovative nature-based solutions for the restoration of mountain landscapes		
15:00-15:20	Mohan B. Chand	Reconstructing the history of Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs) in Nepal		
15:20-15:40	Arbindra Khadka, Fanny Brun, Patrick Wagnon, Tenzin Chogyal Sherpa and Dibas Shrestha	Surface energy and mass balance of Mera Glacier in Everest region and their sensitivity to temperature and precipitation		
15:40-16:00	Alex C. Scoffield	Ice-contact lakes and their influence on Himalayan Glacier Evolution		
16:00-16:10	Discussion	<u> </u>		
16:10-16:20	Break			
	ession River A: 2nd Intern a Bhakta Kayastha	ational River Congress of SAIARD, India		
16:20-16:40	Invited talk (TBA)			
16:40-17:00	Anju Priya, Ram Kishore Tripathi What causes water pollution in Ganga River and how to conserve it?			
17:00-17:20	A Geographical Analysis of the Role of Rivers in the Spatial Distribution of Industri			
17:20-17:40	Shreeparna Ghosh, RamFlood susceptibility assessment based on Hydro-Geomorphologic Analysis usinKishore Tripathispatial Techniques in Shilabati River Basin, West Bengal, India			
17:40-18:00	I ripathi Mandakini River, Chitrakoot, Uttar Pradesh, India			
18:00-18:20	Tonisha Guin Riverine cartographies, cultural dichotomies epistemic reconstitution through the Ma Mangal Kavya			
18:20-18:40	Sangeeta Sirohi	River: Importance to the local community as a means of trade and management		
18:40-19:00	Anomitra Biswas	Wasteland: development in the East Kolkata Wetlands		
19:00-19:10	Discussion			

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10:00-11:30	Rajiv Ranjan Mishra- IAS, Rejuvenation of Rivers and their Ecosystem: A case of Ganga Basin				
11:30-11:45	Break				
Technical Ses	Technical Session S-06: Balancing act: Promoting sustainable mountain development amidst climate change				
and hydrolog	gical challenges				
Chair: Sures	h Baral				
11:45-12:05	Sanjay Baral , Deepika Dhungana and Suresh Baral	Climate Change Impact on Mountainous Hydropower: Sedimentation and Sustainable Solutions for Modi Khola Hydropower Plant			
12:05-12:25	Binaya Kumar Mishra	Precipitation extremes under climate change over Gandaki province, Nepal			
12:25-12:45	Indra Prasad Timilsina, Prakash K.C., Binaya Kumar Mishra and Suresh Baral	Experimental and simulations of rainfall -runoff and sediment in mountainous ungauged the Fusre River basin, Nepal			
12:45-13:05	Ishwar Timilsina and Arjun Gautam	An Assessment of Domestic Water-Security in Urban Area: A Case of Pokhara Metropolitan City, Nepal			
13:05-13:15	Discussion				
13:15-15:00	Lunch Break (Hotel Kailash)				
Chair: Jiho H	Ian, Kazuyuki Watanabe a	iety, mountain tourism, human-nature linkages, Himalaya and Hanlin Xu			
	Jiho Han , Hanlin Xu and Jaiwoong Moon	Characteristics of Lodging Management in Annapurna Conservation Area			
17.711-17.411	Teiji Watanabe and Natsuki Rokui	Tourism development and its effect on social transformation in a remote mountain region: an example from Shimshal, northern Pakistan			
	Natsuki Rokui and Teiji Watanabe				
16:00-16:20	Shigeru Shirasaka, Kazuyuki Watanabe, Teiji Watanabe and Jiho Han The Current Status of Agropastoralism in the Khumbu Himal, Eastern Nepal				
16:20-16:30	Discussion				
16:30-16:45	Break				
		iety, mountain tourism, human-nature linkages, Himalaya			
	Ian, Kazuyuki Watanabe a Kazuyuki Watanabe and	Regional production network of Yak and Yak-cow crossbreeds and increasing of Mule			
16:45-17:05	Shigeru Shirasaka	in case of Solu Khumbu district.			
	Hanlin Xu	Well-being in Mountain Communities			
	Ankita Gupta and Teiji Watanabe	Effects of Ecotourism on Land Use Land Cover Dynamics: Evidence from Sagarmatha National Park and Khaptad National Park, Nepal			
1 / 'An-1x'lln	Kiran Pandey and Dinesh Pathak Land Use and Land Cover Change Mapping and Landslide Risk Assessment in upper region of Babai River at Dang, Nepal				
18:05-18:15	Discussion				

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	Technical Session S-07A: Mountain hazard risk and adaptations				
Chair: Motil	Chair: Motilal Ghimire				
10:00-10:20	Nayan Bakhadyo, Janardhan Silwal, Sirash Sayanju, Eliza Sapkota, Anuja Shrestha, Trishna Shrestha, Bikalpa Dhungana and Abhas Maskey	Early warning system for Glacier Lake outburst flood using Satellite Technology and Artificial Intelligence			
10:20-10:40	Alton C. Byers	Glaciers and garbage: a sustainable solid and human waste management plan for the Sagarmatha National Park, Nepal			
10:40-11:00	Sudip Koirala	Haphazard Road Construction and its Implication on Mountain Environment			
11:00-11:20	Avani Dixit, Raju Chauhan, and Rajiv Shaw	Application of Smart Systems and Emerging Technologies for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in Nepal			
11:20-11:30	Discussion				
11:30-11:45	Break				
Technical Se	ssion S-07B: Mountain hazard risk	x and adaptations			
Chair: Ranja	Chair: Ranjan Kumar Dahal				
11:45-12:05	Motilal Ghimire , Niroj Timalsin and Pradeep Paudyal	Geographical Approach to Integrated Settlement for Sustainable Development in Mountains			
12:05-12:25	Mario Lillo-Saavedra, Angel García- Pedrero, Bastian Morales, Elizabet Lizama and Marcelo Somos- Valenzuela	Deep-learning as a tool for Spatio-temporal landslides detection in Patagonian of Andes			
12:25-12:45	Pradeep Paudyal and Niroj Timalsina	Human Activities in the Escalation of Landslide Hazard and Risk in Mountain Terrain			

12:45-13:05	Niroj Timilsina, Motilal Ghimi Pradeep Paudyal	An Approach to the Assessment of Multi-Hazard Risk in Mountain Settlements				
13:05-13:15	Discussion					
13:15-15:00	Lunch (Hotel Kailash)	Lunch (Hotel Kailash)				
Technical Session S-11A: Landscape change, ecological restoration, and sustainable development						
Chair: Dinesh Raj Bhuju						
15:00-15:20	Ram Avtar, Nabin Bhattarai and Ankita Gupta Geospatial data for Biomass estimation in Cambodia and Philippines					
15:20-15:40	Nabin Bhattarai, TeijiHarnessing REDD+ for Community Involvement and Equitable Benefit Distribution:Singh Karky and RajeshInsights from Dhankuta District, NepalBahadur Thapa					
15:40-16:00	Fatima Chaudhary and Teiji Watanabe	Assessing global research trends and ecological insights: A comprehensive study on the pika mammal				
16:00-16:20	Bhaskar Singh Karky Incentive instruments for addressing triple planetary crisis					
16:20-16:30	Discussion					
16:30-16:45	Break					
Technical Session S-11B: Landscape change, ecological restoration, and sustainable development Chair: Dinesh Raj Bhuju						
16:45-17:05	Rabindra Roy, Nabin Bhattarai and Ujjwal Amaty Rishi Adhikari	Study on Loss and Damage due to climate change in Karnali Province, Nepal				
17:05-17:25	Sunita Poudel, Ramesh Raj Pant, Lal Bahadur Thapa and Mukesh Kumar Chhetri	Seedling regeneration status of native trees in Chromolaena odorata invaded sites, Ramechhap, Nepal				
17:25-17:45	Sanu Raja Maharjan, Lal Bahadur Thapa, Chandra Prasad Pokhrel, Ram Kailash Prasad Yadav and Deepa Dhital	Soil CO ₂ efflux and carbon stock in forests of Phulchoki mountain, central Nepal				
17:45-17:55	Discussion					

8:45-18:50 Poster Session (Hotel Kailash, 2nd Floor Entrance)

Day 3: 8 October 2023

Plenary Session, Hotel Kailash, 2nd Floor

8:30-9:00	Keynote Speech 6: Duncan Quincey	
9:00- 9:30	Keynote Speech 7: Alton C. Byers The changing ecology of a high Himalayan valley: lessons learned from the Kanchenjunga Conservation Area, eastern Nepal	

Parallel Session, Hotel Kailash, 1st Floor

Technical Se Chair: Dines	ession S-04A: Water resource	es and mo	untain sustainability
9:30-9:45	Dinesh Pathak	Linkage between groundwater resource and mountain sustainability in the Himalayan Terrain	
9:45-10:00	Tikaram Baral and Bhesh Raj Thapa	Prospects of Conjuctive Water Management in Nepal to enhance the Agricultural Productivity	
10:00-10:30	Sanjiv Neupane , Usha Ghimire and Sangam Shrestha	Asian Cities	
10:30-10:45	Menuka Gautam , Pratibha Dhakal and Dinesh Pathak	Structural impact of groundwater occurrence in Lower reaches of Lothar khola, Central Nepal	
10:45-11:00	Discussion		
11:00-11:05	Break		
Technical Se	ession S-04B: Water resource	es and mo	untain sustainability
Chair: Bhes	h Raj Thapa		
11:05-11:20	Rabin Malla, Lalit Pathak and Sarad Pathak		Water Quality and Eutrophication Dynamics of Phewa Lake: Implications for Ecosystem and Water Resource Preservation
11:20-11:35	Uma Pandey, Dinesh Pathak, Kshamata Bhattarai, Balram Karkee and Surendra Raj Shrestha		Groundwater potential mapping linkage to sustainability of residents in mountainous region
11:35-11:50	Susmita Tiwari , Binit Timalsina, Sagar Sitaula, Anjal Mahat and Ramesh Raj Pant		Evaluating the Potable Water Quality within the Mardi Watershed, Gandaki Province, Nepal
11:50-12:05	Baburam Chalise, Prem Paudyal, Buddha Bahadur Kunwa, Kiran Bishwakarma, Bina Thapa, Ramesh Raj Pant and Bhanu Bhakta Neupane		Water quality and hydrochemical assessments of thermal springs, Gandaki Province, Nepal
12:05-12:15	Break		
Technical Se Chair: Rajiv	ession S-09: Ecotourism and	sustainab	le development
12:15-12:35	T	Sustainable Eco-tourism Development in the Central Himalayas	
12:35-12:55		Tourism in Nepalese Parks: Examining Local's Perspective	
12:55-13:15	Ruddhi Gyawali	Resource Dependency, Environmental Justice and Community Responses: A case of Appalachia Mountains, USA	
13:15-13:35	Jagadish Pounivar	Taking Digital Tourism to tourism for all to the last citizen of the world promoting universal accessibility: Relevance, Capacity and Competitiveness	
13:35-13:45	Discussion		
13:45-15:00	Lunch (Hotel Kailash, 2 nd Floor)		

Parallel Session, Hotel Kailash, 2nd Floor

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Technical Session Riv-B: 2nd International River Congress of SAIARD, India					
Chair: Ram Kishore Tripathi					
9:35-9:50	Mohammad Atik Nawaz and Sakshi River Regulation Zones for the River Hugli: A Study of the selected stretch is southern West Bengal.				
9:50-10:05	Nupur Budholia	Global Kumbh Festival on Rivers: Manages river system while supporting socio- cultural values and cooperation of local community			
10:05- 10:20	Asok Kumar Ghosh	Hydro-sociological management of Brahmani and Sankh River for use as source of water for an integrated steel plant			
10:20-10:35	Shiv Bahadur Singh	Impact of urbanization on the river: A case study of Ganga Basin in Uttar Pradesh, India			
10:35-10:50	Elangbam Ishwarjit Singh and Vijay Ramchandra Baviskar	Rethinking the Contemporary Indigenous Right and hydropower projects in Sikkim			
10:50-11:05	Vikash Dwivedi and Ram Kishore Tripathi	A geographical study of Brahmaputra River and it's related hazards in Assam, India			

11:05-11:20	Discussion				
11:20-11:35	Break				
Technical Session S-14: Tourism resources, disaster and tourism development					
Chair: Narendra Raj Khanal					
11:35-11:55	Narendra Raj Khanal, Teiji Watanabe, Sanjay Nepal and Dipak Bishwokarma	Disaster impact, recovery and tourism development in Nepal			
11:55-12:15	Tara Prasad Awasthi and Narendra Raj Khanal	Pilgrimage tourism development in Nepal			
12:15-12:35	Dhananjay Regmi, Narendra Raj Khanal, Kabindra Bhatta and Mani Raj Lamichhane	Tourism resources and support facilities in Nepal: An assessment			
12:35-12:55	Subas P. Dhakal	Labor & Skills Shortages in the Nepalese Tourism Sector: Policy and Future Research Implications			
12:55-13:15	Bikal Khanal Nepalaya Sustainable Village Blueprint: A collaborative and innovative solution to dis risk and mitigation				
13:15-13:35	Ramjee Prasad Pokharel and Narendra Raj Khanal	Open spaces and tourism development in Pokhara Metropolitan Area, Nepal			
13:35-13:45	Discussion				
13:45-15:00	Lunch (Hotel Kailash, 2 nd Floor)				
15:00-16:00	Closing Session (Hotel Kailash 2 nd Floor)				

Days 1-3: 6-8 October 2023

Poster Session, Hotel Kailash, 2nd Floor

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Kshamata Bhattarai, Dinesh Pathak, Uma	Hydrogeochemical evaluation of spring water and its suitability analysis around Khadadevi			
Pandey and Surendra Raj Shrestha	- Manthali, Ramechhap, Central Nepal			
Urusha Gautam, Devaki Kafle, Dinesh				
Pathak, Rewant Kumar Rawat and Ananta	Groundwater Flow Modelling in the Hetauda Valley			
Man Singh Pradhan				
Devaki Kafle , Urusha Gautam, Rewant Kumar Rawat and Dinesh Pathak	Urbanization and its Impact on The Water Quality of Hetauda Valley			
Kabiraj Rokaya and Bhogendra Mishra	Estimating Glacier Velocity and Understanding Climate Change Impacts in the Nepalese Himalayas			
Sunil Lamsal, Ashok Dhakal, Kabiraj	The Development of Eco-Geotourism in Dhauwadi Area of Gandaki Province, Western Nepal			
Paudyal, Sundar Adhikari and Utsab				
Bhattarai	Nepai			
Ronit Paudel, Gaurab Gyawali, Subash	Geo-tourism Assessment of the Dolalghat-Kodari section of the Sindhupalchok District,			
Chaudhary, Arjun Budhathoki and Kabi Raj				
Paudyal	Central Nepal			
Bindu Ghimire, Muna Pokherel, Prakash				
Singh Thapa, Komal Raj Rijal and Prakash	Antibiotic resistance Escherchia coli in Bagmati river basin, Kathmandu, Nepal			
Ghimire				
Anil Regmi and Yagya Murti Aryal	A geotourists trail along Rasuwa and Dhading District			

End of the programme