

President Report V submitted to International Coordination Council (ICC) during 75th ICC meeting.

Most of our time in the last few months, after the declaration of COVID-19 pandemic, have been devoted to mitigating and addressing this issue. But at the same time, we have also been able to conduct various NRNA ICC activities such as Regional Meetings, biennial NRN Global Knowledge Convention and lobby with the government in addressing NRN issues such as NRN Citizenship, NRN Act, establishment of NRNA Foundation etc. Though the situation is not ideal; we have not deviated from our objectives and are regularly assessing our goals and trying to move ahead in the best possible way.

COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers program is progressing smoothly though the number of recipients of benefits need to be increased. Till 18/11/2020 altogether 3477 individuals have been benefitted. NCCs Qatar, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, UAE and Kathmandu office have provided service to 1115, 443, 287, 250 and 1179 individuals respectively and the trend is on the rise.

We are also looking into the possibilities of working together with Rastrya Dalit Aayog in abolishing the cast discrimination in Nepal and have been regularly holding meetings of Emerging Nepal Fund (100-million-dollar collective investment fund) and have appointed a consultant, Anal Bhattarai, and a legal firm, Pioneer Law Associates, to facilitate in establishing the company legally in Nepal.

We have been supporting the Nepal Government in mitigating the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in many fronts; but yet, the pandemic is not under control. The pandemic is spreading at an alarming rate in Nepal and many health experts predict that the situation would get even worse if not out of control. Hence, I request that we once again join hands in raising funds or health materials to support Nepal Government fight against this pandemic.

We are organizing regular interaction between the IES/OB members on issues related to NRNA and some details have been highlighted for your reference. I have held repeated meetings the Foreign and Labor Ministers and regularly participated in NRNA High Level COVID Response Committee. We are still in the process of donating various preventive medical products to the Nepal Government. Given below are some highlights.

➤ On 21st June, 2020, we held a meeting with the Chief Minister of Province 1, Honorable Sher Dhan Rai, where we discussed about the impact of COVID-19 in the province and how NRNA and the province could work together in mitigating the impacts.



- ➤ On 21st June, 2020, the 73rd ICC meeting was held where various issues related to the association including the mitigation activities for COVID-19 were discussed.
- ➤ On 22nd June, 2020, meeting with NRN medical professionals was coordinated by the Health Committee where issues related to COVID-19 was discussed.
- ➤ On 23rd June, 2020, meeting with the NRN Desk Chief, Joint Secretary, Kumar Kharel, was held to discuss on issues related to COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers, Special General Assembly and NRN Act. MOFA has provided approval for online Special General Assembly.



- ➤ On 27 June, 2020 the 16th IES meeting was held where activities of NRNA related to mitigation of COVID-19 and repartition were discussed. Similarly, the Health Committee and European Women Forum held meeting to discuss on the impact of COVID-19 and how to mitigate them.
- ➤ I also participated in a discussion forum organized by SEJON on FDI and Monetary Policy.
- ➤ On 29th June, 2020, I participated in the signing of Agreement between NRNA and ILO.
- On 3rd July, 2020, I participated in the 2nd NRN Knowledge Convention and 9th General Assembly of NCC USA.



- ➤ On 3rd July, 2020, the Health Committee discussed on phycological impact on the migrant workers in Middle East due to COVID-19 and remedial measures to be taken.
- ➤ On 5th July, 2020, NRNA provided bottled drinking water to 3 holding centers for 5 days in Kathmandu.
- ➤ On 7th July, 2020, representatives of NRNA and ILO discussed on accounting and management issues related to the grant.
- ➤ On 11th July, 2020, the 17th IES/OB meeting was held to discuss on activities initiated by NRNA in mitigating the pandemic, repartition activities, issues related to NRNA election and the initiation taken by various departments.
- On 11th July, 2020, a meeting between the related ICC executives and executives of NCC Malaysia, Qatar, UAE and Saudi Arabia was held to discus on issues related to relief and repartition.
- ➤ On 12th July, 2020, SMART NRNA Taskforce meeting was held to discuss on the progress on website development, electronic ID card, online membership registration and voting.
- ➤ On 12th July I also participated in a discussion forum organized by Media and Publication Committee where issues related ILO project, activities of mitigating COVID-19 impacts, membership and election of NRNA were addressed.
- ➤ On 15th July, 2020, a MOU between NRNA, Nepal Library Foundation-Canada and Nepal Library Foundation-Nepal was signed.
- ➤ On 18th July, 2020, the 18th IES meeting was held where we discussed about the election process, membership fee and Special General Assembly.
- ➤ On 19th July, 2020 Women & Youth Forum meeting was held to update on activities of these forums.
- ➤ On 19th July, regional meeting of the Asia-Pacific was held to discuss on the possibilities and modalities of holding the Speech Contest.
- ➤ On 25th July, 2020, the 19th IES meeting was held to update on the impacts of the recent flood and landslides in Nepal with the intention of supporting them. We also discussed on the collective investment fund of 100 million dollars and on how to expedite the process.
- ➤ On 25th July, 2020, the High-level COVID-19 Response Committee was held to access our activities and to develop future strategies.

- ➤ On 26th July, 2020, a press meet was organized on Facebook live to update the press on the ongoing preparation of the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention.
- ➤ On 30th July, 2020, a joint meeting of SKTT and NSFT was organized to discuss on issues related to COVID-19.
- ➤ On 30th July, 2020, discussion on organizing the Speech Contest was held among the Asia Pacific Women and Youth Forum.



- ➤ On 31st July, Executives of NRNA ICC discussed on the issues related to COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers and how best to implement it.
- ➤ On 1st August, 2020, meeting between ICC and NCC executives was held to discuss on the election process, organizational structure, COVID-19, support to flood and landslide victims and other related issue.
- ➤ On 4th August, 2020, the Logistic Distribution Coordinator, VP Sonam Lama, handed 16000 surgical masks to Traffic Police donated by NCC Macau.



➤ On 7th August, 2020, the Logistic Distribution Coordinator, VP Sonam Lama, handed 10000 surgical masks to Province 2 donated by NCC Macau.



- ➤ On 8th August, 2020, the 20th IES meeting was held to discuss on issues related to the election process, COVID-19 related activities and support to flood and landslide victims.
- ➤ On 8th August, 2020, a meeting of Emerging Nepal Fund Steering Committee was held to discuss on and expedite the process of implementing the 100-million-dollar fund.
- ➤ On 9th August, 2020, the first NRN Youth Speech Contest organized by Asia Pacific Region was held.
- ➤ On 10th August the meeting of the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention was held to discuss on program and sessions.
- ➤ On 15th August, 2020, 21st IES/OB meeting was held to finalize the agenda for the 74th ICC meeting and to discuss on the election process and membership fee.
- ➤ On 18th August, 2020, the Logistic Distribution Coordinator, VP Sonam Lama, handed 10000 surgical masks to CCMC to be distributed in the holding centers donated by NCC Macau.



➤ On 19th August, 2020, meeting with all stakeholder related to the implementation of the COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers was held.

- ➤ On 22nd August, 2020, the 74th ICC meeting was held where issues related to Special General Assembly, membership, selection of delegates and election process was discussed.
- ➤ On 23rd August, 2020, meeting of SMART NRNA Taskforce was held to discuss on online voting system.
- ➤ On 23rd August, 2020, meeting of the European Regional Women Forum was held to discuss on the activities of women forum in the region and other related issues.
- ➤ On 29th August, 2020, 22nd IES meeting was held to discuss on the proposed amendment on the NRN Act.
- ➤ On 30th August, 2020, meeting of Asia Pacific Region and Health Committee were held to discuss and finalize the agenda for the Asia Pacific Regional Meeting and Global Health Conference.
- ➤ On 1st September, 2020, the Logistic Distribution Coordinator, VP Sonam Lama, handed rupees 5 lakhs to the victims of the Lidhi landslide.



- ➤ On 4th September, 2020, meeting with Foreign Minister, Ambassadors of Malaysia, Qatar, UAE and Saudi Arabia along with IES and NCC executives was held to discuss on the implementation of the COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers and facilitating the program.
- From 4th to 6th September, 2020, the Regional Meeting of the Americas Region and 2nd NRN Knowledge Convention was held.



➤ On 10th September, 2020, 16000 surgical masks were handed to the Chief Minister of Gandaki Province, Honorable Prithivi Subba Gurung, donated by NCC Macau.



- ➤ On 23rd September, the 23rd IES meeting was held where the upcoming NRNA activities were discussed.
- ➤ On 11st September, 2020, the Logistic Distribution Coordinator, VP Sonam Lama, handed additional support of two and half lakh rupees to the victims of the Lidhi landslide.
- From 12th to 13th September, 2020 Oceania Regional Meeting and Knowledge Convention was held.



From 18th to 20th September, the 2nd NRN Global Health convention was held.



- ➤ On 23rd September, 2020 a delegation led by VP and Chair of CNC met with the Chair and representatives of Nepal Law Commission to discuss on NRN Citizenship and NRN Act.
- ➤ From 26th to 27th September, the 8th Regional Meeting of the Asia Pacific Region and First Knowledge Convention was held.



From 3rd to 4th October, 2020, the 13 Regional Meeting, 11th European Regional Women Meeting and Knowledge Convention was held.



From 9th to 11th October, 2020, the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention was organized where the Rt. Honorable Prime Minister was the Chief Guest.



- ➤ On 11th October, 2020, NRN Day was observed by organizing a felicitation program where NRN leaders, leaders of political parties and NRNs were present.
- From October 16th to 17th NCC Qatar hosted the 7th Middle East Regional Meeting.



➤ On 20th October, 2020, a meeting was held between NRNA and FNCCI representatives to discuss the possibilities of organizing a Labor Summit.



- ➤ On 20th October, 2020, a meeting of Youth and Women Forum was held to discuss on organizing a Women & Youth Conference.
- From 28th to 29th October, NRNA representatives led by VP and LMSDP Coordinator visited Laprak to take stock about the progress and to discuss with the beneficiaries and decide on future activities.



➤ On 5th November, 2020, a delegation of NRNA led by VP, Dr. Badri KC, met with the Chair of the Nepal Law Commission and other integral ministry representative to present NRNA's suggestions on the proposed NRN Act.



➤ On 6th November, 2020, VP, Dr. Badri KC, handed 10000 Antigen Test Kits to the Nepal Government through the State Minister of Health which was provided by the Honorary Council member Mr. Kapil Dev Thapa.



- ➤ On 6th November, 2020, a online meeting was organized with the Governor of NRB where the Governor was requested to facilitate the implementation of the 100 million dollar Emerging Nepal Fund
- \triangleright On 8th November, 2020, a zero-hour meeting between NCC and ICC representatives and the 1st meeting of the Constitution Committee was organized.
- ➤ On 8th November, 2020, the 25th IES meeting was where issues related to the Special General Assembly and agenda for the ICC meeting were discussed.
- ➤ On 9th November, 2020, VP, Dr. Badri KC, meet with the foreign minister to discuss on issues related to COVID-19 Response to Nepali Migrant Workers and registration of NRNA Foundation.

➤ On 10 November, 2020, a delegation of NRNA led by VP, Dr. Badri KC, met with the Honorable Minister for Labor, Employment and Social Security to discuss on the concept and possibility of organizing a Labor Summit.



- ➤ On 15 November, 2020, the 26th IES/OB meeting was held to discuss on the agendas to be tabled at the 75th ICC meeting.
- ➤ On 15th November, 2020, executives of IES held a meeting with NCC executives of Africa, Europe and Middle East to discuss on the collection and mobilization financial resources in their respective NCCs.

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