



Progress Report 2017-2019

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1. Held several meetings with Pradesh 3 Government representatives on Nepal University Project
2. A full report submitted to Pradesh 3 Government to NRN ICC and for follow up.
3. Presented NRN Academy status report to ICC meeting in 2018
4. Organised a meeting with a theme "Collaboration opportunities with RECAST- IN Oct 2017. A MoU was signed between NRNA and RECAST to jointly share facilities for collaborative research project with Diaspora community and support global scholar exchange program
5. Organised a workshop in NRN ICC regional meeting in Sydney, April 2018 and presented NRN Academy activities updates and concept paper on Diaspora University
6. Organise NRN Australia SKI workshop in Adelaide in April 2019. A project on EMF radiation was endorsed for submission and presentation to NRN Global convention workshop. The project has already got interest from a potential partner Telstra, Australia Telecom company to conduct a scoping study on EMF awareness campaign and health hazard to later develop into a full-fledged project proposal
7. SKI workshop organised in Netherlands in 2018 in collaboration with Nepal Embassy and professional associations.
8. SKI participated in NAPA activities and contributed chapters to a book on Ag Food Security
9. Presented NRN Academy SKI update in a NZ NCC organised interaction meeting. NZ NCC is working to develop a project to host the Ag summit early next year. The report will be presented and submitted to ICC in global convention.
10. Represented and participated in NRNA Ag committee activities and provided inputs to MUNA and others projects
11. NSF provided input on S&T policy to NRN Nepal Policy Institute document submitted to Government of Nepal.
12. NRN Global convention organised and a full status report with recommendation submitted to Government of Nepal in Dec 2018.
13. NSF was an associated partner in the International POLYMERS FOR SUSTAINABLE GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT – POLY-CHAR 2019 CONFERENCE

Program for the next two years

1. Approval and implementation of NRN Academy and Diaspora University proposals.

2. Establish NRN Academy in Pradesh 3.
3. Organised 2nd Global Knowledge Convention
4. Initiate a joint project with RECAST in Ag Biopolymer area

Concerns

1. NRNA Academy and Nepal University status report already signed by respective stakeholders NRNA and GoN Pradesh 3. Despite several follow up meeting, there has been no serious decisions and follow up from NRNA and warrants immediate attention.
2. NRNA NSF needs to commit budget to conduct joint project with RECAST for 20190-2020
3. Follow up with NAST about re-signing of specific MOU on selected projects in national priority areas. Failure to get any outcome from earlier MOU is losing traction and confidence to keeps its commitment.

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Kailali Prison Library inauguration



