

## **President's Report VIII**

Immediately after the October 2019 election, I set my goals for my tenure aligning with my campaign message embracing our core values of truth, transparency, trust and accountability to meet our long-term vision. Many activities that we had already undertaken such as "Visit Nepal 2020" had to be abruptly halted due to the pandemic. I very well remember that we had a strategic planning meeting in Pokhara, Nepal in January 2020 to review past activities, set strategic direction and develop a "Road Map" to implement our strategic plan for 2019-21. But as we come to the end of the tenure 2019-21; we must acknowledge that though we came across challenges that were never before confronted by NRNA; we have stood true to our motto "For Nepali by Nepali".

The effect of the second wave of COVID-19 in our motherland was very traumatizing and many of our compatriots lost their lives due to lack of timely supply of medical oxygen. NRNA supplemented the government's efforts in mitigating the effects by providing 1010 40L oxygen cylinders, 1560 regulators, 553 10L oxygen concentrators and we are moving ahead with the plan to install four 50 m<sup>3</sup>/hr medical oxygen plants in different provinces of Nepal. We have been able to established cordial relationship with International Organizations to partner in the "Relief, Repatriation and Rehabilitation (RRR)" activities. Under this activity, from the grant of ILO, we have till date provided various support to 20,619 migrant workers.

I am proud to noted that the impacts of the pandemic did not deter us from implementing many activities envisioned in our Road Map at the beginning of our tenure such as the establishment of NRN Investment Company Limited to provide equal opportunity to invest capital and knowledge in our beloved country, NRN Foundation to manage philanthropic activities and NRNA Policy Institute to guide us in formulating appropriate policies. I am delighted to inform you all that these activities are being led by leaders of NRN movement; past presidents Dr. Upendra Mahato, Jiba Lamichhane and Dr. Shesh Ghale.

We were also able to finally complete all our responsibilities for the LMSDP and hand it to the Darche Rural Municipality on behalf of the beneficiaries. I thank VP and project coordinator, Sonam Lama and co-coordinator, Shyam Tamang, for their hard work. I also thank CEO of NRA, Sushil Gyawali, for committing to support 4 lakhs to each beneficiary amounting to 230 million rupees for the development of proper infrastructure. I also thank all the individual and institutional donors as well as volunteers that provided their valuable times.

We have equally pursued our interest in NRN citizenship and amendment of NRN Act 2007. In spite of resource constrains we have already donated one Mobile Blood Bus and are in the process of ordering another one. We are equally commitment to construct Public Restroom in Kathmandu but due to some bottleneck it is taking more time than we anticipated. Our leadership for the very first time was able to organize the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention and Special AGM online very successful. We have implemented a technology-based-management system to effectively and safely manage member's records and for the first time we are in the process of implementing electronic based election.

The second wave of the pandemic has again emphasized on the need for unity, cooperation and coordination amongst us and I acknowledge and thank my executive body, my staff, the

Government of Nepal (GoN), advisors, press, consultants, committee chairs and committee members, volunteers, international organizations and all stakeholders. TOGETHER, we can come out being more resilient and humane.

Regular interactions between IES/OB members and other stakeholders on issues related to NRNA is a continuous process and some details have been highlighted for your reference.

- ➤ On 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, 77<sup>th</sup> OB meeting was held to discuss on and approve the agenda for the 77<sup>th</sup> ICC meeting.
- ➤ On 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, meeting of the Central Monitoring Committee was held to on discuss on how to make the expenses of COVID-19 Relief to Nepali Migrant Workers in UAE more transparent and effective.
- ➤ On 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, the 77<sup>th</sup> ICC meeting was held where discussion and decisions related to NRNA Projects and NCC General Assembly were held.
- ➤ On 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, a joint press conference was organized by Finance Ministry and NRNA to disseminate information on NRN Investment Company Limited, NRN Foundation and Laprak Model Settlement Development Project.



➤ On 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021, LMSDP was officially handed with the landowner certificate to the Chair of Darche Rural Municipality on behalf of the beneficiaries in the presence of the CEO of National Reconstruction Authority (NRA), other related stake holders and the beneficiaries.



- ➤ On 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, meeting with the Secretary of MOFA, Bharat Raj Poudel, was held to discuss on the registration possibilities of NRN Foundation.
- ➤ On 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, soft launch of NRN Singing Idol organized by Cultural and Heritage sub-committee was held.
- ➤ On 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, 560 40L oxygen cylinders donated by Middle East were donated to the Nepal Government.

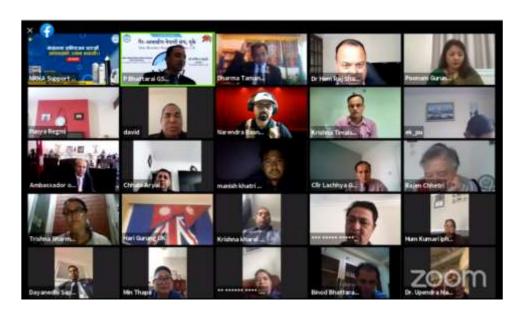


- $\triangleright$  On 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 I participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> interim board meeting of NRN Foundation.
- ➤ On 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021, 560 regulators donated by Middle East was handed to the Ministry of Health.

- ➤ On 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2021, the 36<sup>th</sup> IES meeting was held to discuss on how NRNA could contributed to mitigate the effects of the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic.
- ➤ On 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2021, meeting between ICC and NCC representatives was held to discuss and identify ways of supporting Nepal for the second phase of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ➤ On 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, 37<sup>th</sup> IES meeting was held to discuss on the additional possibilities of supporting Nepal to combat the lack of oxygen supply face during the second wave of the pandemic by providing medical oxygen concentrators and plants.



- ➤ On 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021, the audition for NRN Singing Idol was announced.
- ➤ On 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, meeting was held with the Minister of Health and Population, Hon. Sher Bahadur Tamang, to discuss on distribution of 483 10L medical oxygen concentrators forwarded by NCC UK, Canada, South Korea and the ICC.



➤ On 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, Cooperation-Agreement between IOM and NRNA was signed.

➤ On 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, NRNA Sports Academy distributed relief materials to sports personalities affected by the second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.



- ➤ On 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, the 38<sup>th</sup> IES meeting was held to discuss on the upcoming National General and International General Assembly.
- ➤ On 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 450 40L oxygen cylinders donated by various organization and coordinated by Trilok Gurung, advisor, arrived at the NRNA secretariat and it was handed to various provincial hospitals.



- ➤ On 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2021, I participated in the second interim board meeting of the NRN Foundation.
- ➤ On 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, an agreement between NRNA and Sagoon Inc. was signed to mutually cooperate with each other.
- ➤ On 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 the first round of Global NRN Singing Idol was held.



➤ On 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 pre-audition press conference of NRN the Singer was held.



- ➤ On 30 June, 2021, a seven-member Election Committee was formed and the first introductory meeting between the members, ICC president and General Secretary was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2021.
- ➤ On 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021, the opening round of the NRN Singing Idol was held.



➤ On 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2021, the OB meeting endorsed Chief Patron and Past President, Dr. Shesh Ghale, as the Chair of the NRNA Policy Institute.

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