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NRN National Coordination Council of USA: Updates from March 2010

Dear friends and well wishers of NRN USA:

We have been extremely busy lately with many exciting initiatives.

1. Upcoming NRN Conference in Houston: I would like to see all of us be in Houston during May 28-30 to attend NRN Regional Conference hosted by NRN NCC USA And NRN NCC Canada. It is a perfect platform to showcase our work as well as build global network. Please follow our announcements, website and facebook presence. Please log into <http://nrnusa.org> and register for the conference as well as reserve your hotel. If you are an international participants and need assistance with travel Visa, please contact our Sr. VP Mr. Mukesh Singh @ ileshsingh@gmail.com and if you are a journalist, please contact our media coordinator Mr. Ram C Kharel @ rk@nepalvusa.com for any help. We thank our local organization, Nepalese Association of Houston for their hospitality.

2. Town hall Meetings: I would like to thank Nepal Seattle Society (NSS) and Northwest Sherpa Association (NSA) for hosting a successful townhall meeting in Seattle (WA). Mr. Ratan Jha, NRNICC Gen Secretary, Ms. Bishnu Thapa, Gen Secretary of NRNNCC of USA and former Regional Coordinator of NRNICC for America Mr. Naresh Koirala (Canada) attended the meeting.

Now we are set for a series of town hall meetings and they are to be held at following cities:

1. Denver, CO: April 17, 2010
2. Hartford, CT: April 18, 2010
3. Boston, MA: April 18, 2010
4. Atlanta, GA: April 24, 2010

For more information you can visit our [website](#) and contact our leadership at those area for more information.

The purpose of these meetings are to reach out to general mass in USA, take NRN programs to various locations and get more people engaged and also invite them to NRN Convention in Houston.

3. Once a Nepali always a Nepali: We are working closely with NRN International Coordination Council on the issue of dual citizenship. Mr. Khagendra GC ji is leading our efforts from North America. We circulated NRN ICC position paper to Presidents of associations and many of you seeking for feedback. All feedbacks were appropriately forwarded. Currently NRN ICC Dual Citizenship Task Force Chair Mr. Ram Thapa (Germany) and Captain Hitman Gurung (UK), NRNA Regional Coordinator for Europe are travelling in Nepal to represent and meet with officials, lawmakers and others to lobby for this issue. We are also drafting a letter for all of us asking our family members back in Nepal demanding /supporting our efforts for dual citizenship. We truly believe once a Nepali always a Nepali.

4. Inclusiveness: We are fully committed to increase participation of every Nepali in NRN NCC of USA. It cannot be achieved just by increasing membership but having every community and every region actively join us into leadership role. We



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have been appealing every individual and organization to come forward join hands, give constructive feedback and shape this organization to be a very transparent organization. We look forward to adopt new by-laws by end of May. By-laws committee received good response from many of you.

7. Promote Nepal Tourism 2011: Our new task force is headed by Mr. Raja Ghale (GA). Our plan is to promote Nepal Tourism 2011 program as it has been adopted by NRN ICC as well. We are reaching out with every town hall meetings and other creative events. Going forward you will be hearing more about it from Raja Ghaleji. A special exhibition and a session is planned for it during 4th (April?)

8. NRN Associations and participation in Events: Dr. Bidya Ranjeet ji attended women's conference organized by NRN Europe/Women's Forum. She also got opportunity to interact with many members of the NRN leadership in Europe and brought many ideas back home. In addition, founding President of International Nepali Literary Society (INLS) Mr. Homnath Subedi and current Vice President of INLS Ms. Bharati Gautam of USA were honored along with other writers of Nepali language in Kathmandu during 100th anniversary celebration of Mahakavi Laxmi P Devkota.

9. Newsletter: Our newsletter is making good progress. We receive good feedback. Please send updates on your local NRN activities to our Editor Dr. Padam Sharma ji. He has taken our newsletter to a high professional level and we are thankful. We have also made a significant presence in facebook. Please lookout for NRNNCC in facebook.

11. Earthquake Preparedness and Disaster Relief for Nepal: We are proud to join a joint efforts led by the America Nepal Medical Foundation (ANMF), the American Society of Nepalese Engineers (ASNEng), and the Computer Association of Nepal-USA (CAN-USA), for a general strategy to investigate areas needing improvement in Nepal's earthquake preparedness.

12. Emergency Fund: We are working on officially announcing an emergency fund. The idea was discussed in KY meeting and will be announcing the details soon. The idea is to establish enough principal so that the interest generated will help out victims of unfortunate situation in USA. Please look out for our detailed announcement soon. We need everyone to join our hands.

Thank you so much. We will continue updating on our progress and events. Visit <http://nrnusa.org> and lookout for us on facebook.

Sincerely,

4/2/2010

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Revised version and apologies for using older letterhead.