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An Interaction Program Celebrating the 16th National Library Day: Reviewing "Bhaktapur: The Capital of the Malla Nepal Mandala"



Prof. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari, Presenter of the Program, receiving Token of Love from Er. Sujan Maka, Principal, KhEC.

15th Bhadra

In a captivating celebration of the 16th National Library Day, the Library Section of Khwopa Engineering College (KhEC) and Khwopa College of Engineering (KhCE) came together to organize an enlightening interaction program. The focal point of this event was the presentation on recently published book, "Bhaktapur: The Capital of the Malla Nepal Mandala," authored by the esteemed Professor Dr. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari. This event brought together scholars, students, and enthusiasts of Nepalese history

and culture to delve into the richness of Bhaktapur's heritage.

The presentation, delivered by Professor Dr. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari, delved deep into the essence of Bhaktapur's



historical significance. The content of the presentation was structured in a way that unveiled various aspects of this ancient



city's heritage:

Khopringga - the Town of the Rising Sun: Exploring the significance of Bhaktapur as the "Town of the Rising Sun," where history and culture converge.

Sivagalathana: Uncovering the religious and spiritual importance of Bhaktapur through its sacred sites.

Sundhara and the Waterscape: Analyzing the unique waterscape of Bhaktapur, highlighting Sundhara as a pivotal element.

The Festive Landscape: Showcasing the vibrant festivals that adorn Bhaktapur,



adding colors and vibrancy to its heritage.

The Royal Goddess in the Saptagranthakuta: Delving into the intricate tales of the goddess and her connection with Bhaktapur's history.

The Capital - Imaging the Cosmos of Shakti and Vidya: Discussing the city as an embodiment of cosmic energies and knowledge.

Rediscovering Tripura Palace: Unveiling the hidden stories of the Tripura Palace, a historical gem in Bhaktapur.

The People of Varnimathana - Candimagala: Recognizing the significance of the people in Bhaktapur's historical narrative.



Of Kings, Queens, and Princes: Narrating the tales of royalty and their contributions to Bhaktapur's legacy.



Thanthu, Thanthu Rajakula, and Yuthunimum Palaces: Exploring the grandeur of these palaces that adorn Bhaktapur.

The 3rd Edition of *Nenyapa Jhya Layeku*: Introducing the latest edition of the cherished literary work, a testament to Bhaktapur's rich cultural heritage.

The program commenced with a warm welcome speech by Jastara Koju, Head of the Library Section, who introduced the event's objectives and its significance in celebrating Nepal's literary and cultural heritage.

Professor Dr. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari, the author of "Bhaktapur: The Capital of the Malla Nepal Mandala," was showered with gratitude by Sujan Maka, Principal of KhEC, and Sunil Duwal, Principal of KhCE. They acknowledged the invaluable contribution of Dr. Tiwari in preserving and promoting Bhaktapur's history

through his comprehensive research and the publication of this remarkable book. They also expressed their gratitude to the



publisher and esteemed alumna Ar. Sabina Tandukar.

As a token of appreciation, a stunning art craft of the famous Nyatapola Temple was presented to Professor Dr. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari.

Ar. Rabina Shilpakar, a faculty member from the Department of Architecture, added her insightful perspectives to the program, emphasizing the architectural marvels of Bhaktapur and their symbiotic relationship with its cultural heritage.

The interaction program on the 16th National Library Day provided a platform for attendees to deepen their understanding of Bhaktapur's rich history and cultural significance. It celebrated the invaluable contributions of scholars like Professor Dr. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari and underscored the importance of preserving and sharing Nepal's heritage for future generations.

Exploring Urban Design and Conservation: Seminar on Field Study at Vyas Municipality

7th Bhadra

The Post Graduate Department of Urban Design and Conservation at Khwopa Engineering College recently organized a field study seminar, marking a significant event for the Batch 2079. The seminar, which took place on the 7th of Bhadra 2080, provided a platform for the master's students to present their original survey and research work pertaining to urban design and conservation issues in the contemporary and historical context of Vyas Municipality.

Distinguished guests and experts were present in the program, including Senior Division Engineer Rabindralal Mool, who was invited as an external juror. Hailing from the Vyas Municipality of Tanahun District, Engineer Rabindralal Mool brought a wealth of practical insights to the seminar.

The seminar was a convergence of intellectual exchange, where the students showcased their comprehensive understanding of urban design and conservation matters. With a focus on Vyas

Municipality, the students delved into the challenges and prospects of maintaining a delicate balance between modern development needs and the preservation of historical heritage.

The presentations were not only notable for their depth of research but also for their clear and logical interpretations. This was facilitated by the invaluable suggestions provided by a distinguished panel of experts, including Prof. Dr. Mohan Moorti Pant, Ar. Bires Shah, and Ar. Libas Phaiju. Their guidance enabled the students to refine their analysis and articulate their findings with precision.

The seminar served as a testament to the commitment of Khwopa Engineering College's Post Graduate Department of Urban Design and Conservation to fostering a culture of scholarly exploration and practical application. The integration of real-world challenges and academic rigor was evident throughout the seminar, showcasing the program's dedication to producing professionals who can contribute meaningfully to the field.



Heritage Impact Assessment Workshop

11th Bhadra

Ar. Pramila Shilpakar represented Khwopa Engineering College in the National Workshop on Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) held from August 28-29, 2023. The event, a joint effort by UNESCO and the Department of Archaeology, emphasized the importance of HIA in preserving Nepal's cultural heritage.

The workshop, attended by municipal representatives from various Nepalese cities, featured presentations by experts. Dr. Ronald Lin from UNESCO discussed the significance of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) and authenticity in heritage conservation. Ramesh Raj Poudel,

Chief Archaeological Officer, outlined the legal status and procedural provisions of Impact Assessment in Nepal, while Dr. Kai Weise shared insights from past HIA projects.

Eugene Jo from ICCROM-IUCN World Heritage Leadership Programme explained the HIA process. Attendees later evaluated the impact of an infrastructure project near Patan Durbar Square. The assessment revealed potential impacts, emphasizing the need for comprehensive HIA procedures to protect Nepal's cultural heritage.



Students' Visit to Construction Site in Lalitpur

27th Bhadra

In an enriching educational experience, the students of the 2076 Batch (7th Semester, BE Civil) embarked on a field trip to the CG Lake View Housing construction site in Dhapakhel Thecho, Lalitpur. This insightful visit took place on 27 Bhadra 2080.

The primary objective of this excursion was to immerse the students in the practical aspects of their coursework.

The trip aimed to provide them with a hands-on understanding of various building elements, including foundations, tie beams, superstructures, and more. By witnessing these components in action, students had the opportunity to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application. The visit also emphasized the importance of interpreting architectural drawings in the real-world context.



Quiz Contest-2080 at KhEC

27th Bhadra

The Department of Architecture organized a one-day educational excursion on 27th Bhadra 2080 for 7th-semester students from the 076 batch. Led by senior faculty Ar. Krishna Gopal Prajapati, students visited Panauti's Indreshwor Temple, Banepa's Chandeshwori Temple, and Nala's Karuna Mai and Nala Bhagwati.

The aim of the trip was to study traditional Newari temple architecture, including construction technology, symbolism, art and detailing. This hands-on experience allowed students to connect with Nepal's rich architectural heritage.



Students' Visit to Construction Site in Lalitpur

27th Bhadra

Khwopa Engineering College, with the initiation of its Science and Humanities Department, organized Quiz Contest (a program as a part of extra-curricular activities) to its students of second semester of all programs on 31 Bhadra 2080 in college premises. There were 5 teams, each consisting of 3 members, in total in the contest. The teams were formed

with internal selection procedure in each program/class. The contest was held in the presence of Er. Sujan Maka, the Principal of the college, Heads of departments and sections, faculty members and students of second semester. In the contest, the team of civil engineering department (Section AB) secured the first position. Details of the participants and result are as tabulated below:

S.N	Name of Students	Programs	Result
1	Bigyan Budha Gokarna Prasad Bhatt Kiran Dahal	B. E. Civil –AB	First
2	Prasant Budha Magar Sandesh Bhandari Umesh Budha	B. E. Civil –CD	Second
3	Churchill Manandhar Janaki Singh Kailash Chaudhary	B. E. Elx. Communication & Automation	Third
4	Prasanna Karmacharya Swapnil Disti Swastika Awale	B. Architecture	Fourth
5	Ashutosh Dhungana Lhasang Tulku Lama Xenium Suwal	B. E. Computer	Fifth

The Principal Maka put conclusive remarks at the program and distributed prizes and certificates to the winners and participants. In his speech, he encouraged the students for the participation with a

greater enthusiasm in such programs in the future. The program was run by Mr. Naba Raj Budhathoki, Head of Science and Humanities Department.

Images from Quiz Competition





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