

## *News from the Vice Chancellor's Office of Global Engagement at Kathmandu University*

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### **KU, WUHAN UNIVERSITY, AND HUC-ICIMOD WORKSHOP ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND HYDROPOWER DEVELOPMENT IN THE HIMALAYAN REGION HELD IN LALITPUR**

A one-day workshop on Water Resource Management and Hydropower Development in the Himalayan Region was held on August 25, 2019 in Lalitpur. The workshop was co-organized by: 1) Wuhan University in China; 2) Kathmandu University; and 3) Himalayan University Consortium-International Center for Integrated

Mountain Development (HUC-ICIMOD). The objective of the workshop was to promote knowledge and share experience on water resource management and hydropower in the Himalayan region. The importance of the workshop is underscored by the fact that the Hindu-Kush Himalaya (HKH) supplies freshwater and other ecosystem services to about a quarter of the world's population that live downstream.



### **JJT UNIVERSITY, INDIA AND KU JOINT CONFERENCE ON "VIBRANT PLATFORM FOR SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT" HELD AT KU**

A conference on "Vibrant Platform for Social, Economic and Technological Development" was held at Kathmandu University in Dhulikhel on September 8, 2019.

The conference was jointly organized by Shri Jagdishprasad Jhabarmal Tibrewala (JIT) University in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, India, and KU. JIT University Prof. Dr. Nishikant Jha and KU Assistant Professor Mr. Uddhab Pyakurel gave keynote speeches on "Conference Objectives," and "Nepal India Relationship," respectively. Three parallel sessions were held on: 1) Science & Information Technology; 2) Commerce, Management and Economics; and 3) Humanities, Art & Investment. These sessions were chaired by faculty members from JITU and KU.

Copies of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for further collaboration between the two universities — signed by JITU Chairperson Dr. Vinod Tibrewala and the convener of the conference and Dean School of Management at KU Prof. Dr. Bijay K.C. — were also exchanged during the conference.



## **INAUGURAL CEREMONY OF THE JOINT KU-NSSU WATER SAFETY-RELATED TRAINING PROGRAM HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

The inaugural ceremony of the training program on water rescue and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, jointly organized by Kathmandu University (KU) and Nippon Sport Science University (NSSU) in Tokyo, Japan, was held in the Auditorium Hall of Dhulikhel Municipality Office in Dhulikhel, Kavrepalanchowk on September 12, 2019

Deputy Mayor of Dhulikhel Municipality Ms. Bimala Sharma Chaulagain, NSSU Dean Prof. Dr. Makoto Yagisawa, KU School of Engineering Dean Dr. Damber Bahadur Nepali, First Secretary at the Japanese Embassy Dr. Yuriko Akiyama, and KU Global Engagement Office's Prof. Dr. Bim Prasad Shrestha spoke on the occasion. The water safety-related training sessions were led by Prof. Katsuhiko Ogura and his colleagues from NSSU.

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## **POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES TO IMPLEMENT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY AND KATHMANDU UNIVERSITY COLLABORATION**

If any Kathmandu University faculty and staff are interested in undertaking collaborative work between George Mason University (GMU) in Virginia, USA, and KU, and need a list of potential funding sources, they can write to Mr. Yamal C. Rajbhandary at [yamal.rajbhandary@ku.edu.np](mailto:yamal.rajbhandary@ku.edu.np) for a list compiled by KU Global Engagement Office in collaboration with George Mason University for that purpose.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- November 26, 2019 - **Seminar on Higher Education Opportunities in Japan.**

The University of Tokyo is hosting this event at Kathmandu University with support from the University of Tokyo Alumni Association of Nepal (UTAAN). Its main objective is to inform Nepali students, especially those who are considering studying abroad, about Japan, and Japanese education system. Currently about 4,400 Nepalese students study in Japan. For further information, please contact Dr. Hom Nath Chalise at [chalisehkpp@gmail.com](mailto:chalisehkpp@gmail.com)

- December 11-12, 2019 - **10th International Conference on Human Rights Education, Nepal.**

Kathmandu University, in cooperation with Western Sydney University in Australia and other national and international partners, is organizing this 10th Conference on Human Rights Education in Nepal.

The main theme of the conference is "Human Rights in Academic Excellence, Technology and Artificial Intelligence." And the sub-themes are: 1) Human Rights in Academic Institutions; 2) Human Rights in SDGs and Agenda 2030; 3) Human Rights and Culture; and 4) Human Rights in Good Governance, Peace Process and Justice. The abstract submission deadline is: October 31, 2019. Further information, including those related to registration, and submission of abstracts, can be obtained from <http://ichre2019.ku.edu.np/test>

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