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President's Message



ANTA Friends and Well-Wisher:

It gives me an immense pleasure to greet you as a new president of this great organization of ANTA. Welcome to our first issue of Trivani for the year 2017 published by the ANTA Executive Committee. Our editorial team has done

excellent job in bringing Trivani in the new format and design and I am sure you will enjoy and find it worth reading. Thanks to those of you who contributed to it as these contribution are important and essential to its success. This issue of Trivani provides me with a chance to reflect what ANTA has been able to achieve in the first four months after the 4th ANTA General Convention held in, Edison, New Jersey.

We have taken several important decisions since the installation of the current executive committee. We have formed advisory committee and several subcommittees to make ANTA activities more participative and efficient. Likewise, we have executed two important projects aimed at helping students in Saptari and Rauthat districts. Furthermore, we have reached out to the people of Madhesh affected by the recent deadly flooding.

We have seen a tremendous increase in number of general and life members as result of the membership drive carried out in recent times. I firmly believe in the notion that giving back to the community would actually bring you closer to the community. I sincerely request you all to ask your family and friends to join ANTA to contribute to the community meaningfully.

Sincerely Yours

Vijay Kumar Singh

President, ANTA

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Editorial

Dear Families and Friends of ANTA!

ANTA respectfully presents the first issue of Our Trivani for the year 2017 as a new year 2018 gift for our friends and well-wishers. This newsletter highlights about 4th ANTA Convention and ANTA's activities and contributions for the welfare of our very own society and cultures.

Congratulations to those who have received awards during 4th ANTA general convention. Please enjoy reading this newsletter and help us to improve the quality of TRIVANI by providing your candid comments and suggestions.

On behalf of ANTA's editorial board, I truly appreciate your generous contribution with articles, event activities and associated pictures towards the successful publication of this newsletter. I truly believe you are the best resources for success of TRIVANI. We look forward to our next issue in next quarter and would like to take this opportunity to cordially invite you for your contributions in upcoming publication. Please notify us of your articles, celebrations, and activities over the next few months for inclusion in the next issue of this newsletter.

Last but not least, I would like to thank members of editorial board 2017-2019 Executive Committee for their dedication in successful publication of TRIVANI. My special thanks goes to our guest editor Dr. Kaushal Jha for his vigorous support in bringing Trivani in the new format and design.

I wish you all a very happy new year 2018 and look forward for a great new year ahead.

Thank You All!

Best Regards,

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The 4TH ANTA General Convention

It is our immense pleasure to share that the 4th ANTA General Convention held on May 27th, 2017 in Edison, NJ, was a grand success. This convention, with a theme of

Member and Human Rights Advocate, for sharing their experiences and views at the convention and making it a success. We would like to thank Dr. Chakradhar Mishra - ANTA Interim

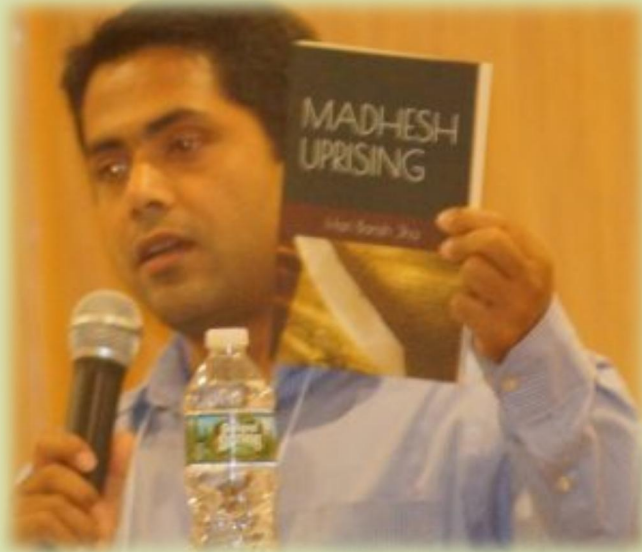


"Peace and Prosperity for Madhesh", was synonymous with the present condition of Madhesh. The convention was attended by approximately 200 participants that included many distinguished guests, ANTA members and their family, and well wishers. The ceremony was graced by the Chief Guest Dr. Raghendra Dwivedy. On behalf of ANTA, we would like to extend the highest appreciation to Dr. Dwivedy for his kind presence at the convention. We are also thankful to Mr. Scott DeLise-Keynote Speaker, an honorable former US Ambassador to Nepal. The special guest speaker Mr. Charles Dambach, the Nobel peace prize nominee of 2017, and a world peace ambassador, Mr. J. D. Kim Esq- Guest Speaker, Mr. Ratan Jha – Founder President of ANTA, Mrs. Annapurna Deo - ANTA Founding

Board Coordinator for chairing the convention program and Dr. Upendra L. Karna - Convention Chairman, for presenting the opening remarks and welcoming all guests and participants for the convention. We would also like to thank Mr. Vijay Singh for convening the convention. We would like to thank Mr. Arbind Singh and Ms. Udit Karna for presenting the program and Ms. Arya Jha for singing the National Anthem. Dr. Chakradhar Mishra shared his experience and contribution as an interim board Coordinator for ANTA. This convention was honored to launch a book written on Madhesh "Madhesh Uprising", written by a Madhesi son Dr. Haribansh Jha. The book was launched by Mr. Charles Dambach and book remarks were provided by Mr. Bal Krishna Jha. This ANTA convention also

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This ANTA convention also recognized another book on Madhesh "The Middle Country", written by Mr. Ram Manohar Sah. Mr. Sah spoke few words about the book. We would like to thank



both authors Dr. Haribansh Jha and Mr. Ram Manohar Sah for their contribution to Madhesh. We also appreciate Mr. Dhiraj Chaudhary for the publication of the souvenir for this occasion and Dr. Indra Dev Sahu, convention committee co-convenor for extending votes of thanks. Collaborative effort is the key to success for any organizational activity. The 4th ANTA Convention in Edison became a grand success due to the collaboration of the ANTA Interim Executive Committee, ANTA GNYC host chapter and most importantly the hard work of 4th ANTA Convention Committee and its Sub-Committees. We would like to thank the Coordinators of the sub-committees: Mrs. Annapurna Deo - Program, Dr. Kaushal K. Jha—Finance, Mr. Arbind Singh - Public Relation, Mr. Dhiraj Chaudhary - Publication and Advertisement, Mrs. Rekha Karna - Venue and Hospitality, Mr. Mukesh Jha - Registration and Volunteer, Mr. Laxman Mahato - Food, Mr. Randhir

Sharma - Audio Visual, Mrs. Aprajita Jha—Cultural, Dr. Archana Kaystha - Women Networking and Participation, Dr. Subodh Mallik—Fund raising and Sponsorship, Mr. Ratan Jha - Resource and Networking, Mr. Om Goit - Youth Networking and Participation, Mr. Anil Dwivedy - Chapter and Participation, Dr. Chakradhar Mishra - Convention Participation and Enhancement. The contributions of Mr. Lalit Jha - former President, Mr. Mukesh Singh - Founding Member, Mr. Nabin Dutta - Founding Member and many other volunteers are also appreciated. We would like to thank Dr. Upendra L. Karna, Mrs. Rekha Karna and their daughter Udit Karna for hosting reception dinner for all participants at their residence in the evening of Friday, May. 26th.



The convention provided forum for discussion on relevant issues that would help in promoting ANTA's mission in achieving its goals and objectives. In compliance with the theme of the 4th Convention, a session "*Perspectives for Peace and Prosperous Madhesh*", was organized. We would

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like to thank the moderator of the session Mrs. Annapurna Deo, and the panelists: Dr. Subodh Mallik and Mr. Bal Krishna Jha for their thoughtful presentation. In another session, the discussion focused on the very relevant topic, "*Significance of Women's Health for Prosperous Madheshi Society*". We express our words of appreciation to Dr. Archana Kayastha for moderating the session and panelists, Dr. Mamta Singh, Mrs. Nilu Jha Khatiwada, and Mr. Mukesh Singh for expressing their views on how we can improve women's health for prosperous Madheshi society in Nepal and in America. The next session in the sequence was included in the presentation on combined sessions of "Socioeconomic Status and Human Rights in Madhesh" and "Globalized Workforce and Madheshi Youth Empowerment". We are thankful to both moderators Dr. Navin Singh and Mr. Randhir Sharma and the panelists: Mr. Amit Ranjan, Ms. Sarita Jha, Ms. Avantika Mallik, Ms. Raunak Thakur, and Ms. Kritika Jha for their thoughtful views on current socioeconomic condition, how to improve socioeconomic status and human rights, how to mobilize globalized madhesi workforce and empower Madheshi youth for making prosperous, and peaceful Mdheshi society in Nepal and abroad.

The convention also presented ANTA's annual reports. We would like to thank Dr. Vijay Jha for moderating this session and presenters: Mr. Arbind Singh- ANTA secretarial (combined regular and interim period) report, Dr. Kaushal Jha- ANTA treasure's (regular and interim period report), Mr. Mukesh Jha - GNYC chapter report, Mr. Anil Dwivedy – Washington DC Chapter report, Mr. Amit Ranjan - Midwest chapter report, Dr. Indra Dev Sahu - Ohio chapter report.

We would also like to thank Mr. Mukesh Singh for presenting the ANTA Interim Executive Committee proposal on Bylaws amendments for the validity of membership status to the general convention body for their approval. The proposal was approved unanimously by the general convention body.



One of the goals of the convention was to revisit what we learned in the past and where we would like to go in the future. An open round table session "Strengthening ANTA" was organized. We would like to thank moderator, Dr. Akhilesh Singh and panelists: Mr. Mukesh Singh, Mrs. Annapurna Deo, Dr. Chakradhar Mishra, Mr. Dharmendra Thakur, Mr. Ratan Jha, Mr. Lalit Jha, Dr. Upendra L. Karna, Dr. Subodh Mallik, Mr. Vijay Singh and Mr. Arbind Singh, and several participating members for providing thoughtful suggestions for the unity of Madheshi working for Madhesi cause under the umbrella of ANTA and future works need to be done to strengthen ANTA. The convention's concluding thank you note was provided by Mr. Subhash Baitha, Co-Chair of the Convention Committee. The concluding and the closure remarks of convention were provided by Dr. Upendra L. Karna, Convention Committee Chairman.

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The convention provides an opportunity to recognize the contributions and achievements of ANTA members and friends of ANTA. The Award Ceremony is one of several jewels that make the convention shining. We would like to thank the ANTA Award Committee Coordinator Mr. Subhash K. Baitha and his team members: Mrs. Annapurna Deo and Mr. Dharmendra Thakur for successfully completing the process, and we congratulate all the awardees for receiving the ANTA awards. The convention was enjoyable also because of the cultural program that was full of entertainments including the songs, dances and drama.

Several artists showed their talents in the program and presented several Madhesh related performances. Specifically, we would like to thank Mrs. Aprajita Jha and her team for leading the cultural program, and all performers for showing their talents and making the convention enjoyable for all participants. The session was a great success as many participants also contributed to the funds raised for the future projects. ANTA expresses deep appreciation to those who generously donated to the ANTA project funds to advance the ANTA's mission by achieving its goals and objectives, and we are thankful to Dr. Subodh Mallik, Dr. Akhilesh Singh and Mr. Mukesh Singh for coordinating the fund-raising efforts. Choosing Executive Committee officers for leading any organization is very important and challenging. The 4th General ANTA convention practiced for the first time electing the 2017- 2019 EC officers via democratic process of voting. We would like to thank

Mr. Lalit Jha—Election Committee Chairman and his team members: Mr. Ratan Jha and Mr. Jay Mandal for completing the election process very successfully. We would also like to congratulate Mr. Vijay Singh - newly elected ANTA president and his team and wish them for the success of the next 2017-2019 tenure. We would also like to thank media representatives (eNepalese and others) for the live broadcasting of the convention. We would like to thank all the sponsor and donors who supported this convention.



This convention displayed the summary of Madhesh history and glimpses of cultural heritage of Madhesh including mithila painting that attracted all participants, specifically young Madheshi children born and growing up here in America. Moving forward this convention gives the gift of remarkable advice suggested by two internally known champions such as Mr. Charles Dambach for how to help and make a peaceful Madhesh and Mr. Scott DeLisi's suggestions how a prosperous Madhesh could be built with the collaborative efforts. These were remarkable achievements of this convention.

The convention was well represented by the ANTA family members and several distinguished friends of ANTA, and many others. We express our sincere appreciation to all volunteers and all the participants for making the convention a grand success. ANTA 4th Convention Committee believes that this convention fulfilled its responsibility to strengthen ANTA a strong Madheshi organization forever.

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ANTA AWARD

- Outstanding Leadership Award
Mr. Mukesh Jha, NY
- Outstanding Executive Award
Mr. Arbind Kumar Singh, NY
- Outstanding Academic Award
Mr. Randhir Sharma, NY
- Entrepreneurship Award
Mr. Vijay Pratap Singh, DC
- Donor of the Year Award
Dr. Upendra L. Karna, NJ
- Woman Empowerment Award
Mrs. Nilu Jha Khatiwada, DE
- Excellence Award
Dr. Indradev Sahu, OH
Dr. Akhilesh Singh, NJ
- President Award
Mr. Dhiraj Chaudhary, NE
- Honor Award
Mr. J.D. Kim, NY
- Outstanding Chapter Award
ANTA GNYC Chapter
- School Student of the Year Award
Ms. Arya Jha, NJ
- Lifetime Achievement Award
Dr. Raghwendra R. Dwivedy, DC

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

CONVENTION CULTURAL PROGRAM



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After the daylong schedule of the 4th convention, the excitement to welcome the artists and the performers was clearly visible in the audience. The stage was glimmering with lights and the music speakers were getting checked for one last time before the start of a spectacular evening. And finally, we were all ready to go ahead with the "cultural showcase" prepared



by our children and grown-ups.

Our program welcomed the two hosts, Subodh Mallik and Aprajita Jha to begin the evening with a "Saraswati Vandana". These hosts invited a well-known anchor, Anil Mishra from the tri-state area and the cheerful crowd welcomed him with thundering claps.

Our first performer, Himanshu Shekhar, came from Ohio who sang Vidyapati's popular song, "Jai Jai Bhairavi". The singer's fine classical singing was applauded by the listeners. The next performance was Devyanshi Sharma's beautiful dance presentation. The listeners enjoyed Vijay Jha's "welcome song".

Another dance performance by Ashna Singh was an impressive addition to the event. The young dancers like Anya Jha, Adya Jha, Ashna Singh, Raashee Mishra, Ankita Singh and Archana Prajapati were splendid and brought a lot of energy to the floor.

The evening was in full swing. There were a number of excited participants waiting for their turns. It culminated into an evening with powerful singing presentations by Arya Jha, Gauri Pandey, Ratan Jha, Lakshmi Narayan Singh, Vijay Jha, Upendra Mallik, Subodh Mallik, Anita Mallik, and Aprajita Jha.

The audience was thrilled to witness the ladies' group dance. The talented performers, Kritika Jha, Kashika Jha, Uditi Karna and Avantika Mallik rocked the floor.

The Cultural program also had two awards. The "Best Dressed Couple" award went to Rekha Karna and Upendra Karna and the "Most Spirited" award to Mr. Bal Krishna Jha. The participation awards were given to children and teenagers. The Cultural program also witnessed ANTA's first ever election's results' announcement and the appointment of the executive committee. This historic convention's evening was a truly memorable event. The artists, performers, anchors, crew, supporters and the audience were phenomenal and they will all cherish their memories for a long lasting time.

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ANTA CURRENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Mr. Vijay K Singh
President
Washington DC



Dr. Subodh Mallik
Sr. Vice President
Odessa, TX



Dr. Indra Dev Sahu
General Secretary
Oxford, OH



Dr. Jitendra Thakur
Jt. General Secretary
Midland, TX



Mr. Mukesh Karn
Treasurer
Washington DC

The 4th ANTA general convention elected new executive committee for the years 2017-2019. While majority of the board Vice Presidents and Spokesperson were decided by voting. Mr. Vijay Kumar Singh, Mr. Subhash Kumar Baitha and Mrs. Aprajita Jha emerged victorious for the post of President, Vice-president (International) and Spokesperson, respectively. However, Vice-president (National) Mr. Arbind Singh and Vice-president (International) eventually resigned from the ANTA executive committee for their personal reasons.



Mrs. Aprajita Mishra Jha
Spokesperson
Princeton, NJ



Dr. Archana Kayastha
Member
Palo Alto, CA



Dr. Khushbu Mishra
Member
Orland, FL



Mr. Om Goit
Member
Knoxville, TN



Mr. Ratnesh Jha
Member
Chicago, IL



Mr. Mohan Yadav
Member
VA



Mr. Anil Dwivedy
Member
Washington DC



Mr. Dhiraj C. Chaudhary
Member
Lincoln, NE

Prayer Held in DC for Flood Victims

At the moment of extreme misfortune caused by devastating flood in the Terai region of Nepal, ANTA expressed its deepest sympathy and concerns. We prayed for the departed souls, for the sick and injured, for the homeless, for the bereaved, and for those still searching for their loved ones in this great tragedy. Within couple of hours of this misfortune calamity, ANTA Executive committee called an emergency meeting and started collecting funds through <https://gofundme.com/nepalfloodvictimfund> and started working actively with all its efforts in the relief program to help the flood victims.

A Candlelight Vigil and the Prayers for the Flood Victims were organized by ANTA's DC Chapter on August 16, 2017 in Durga temple located at 8400 Durga Pl, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. This event was organized under the leadership of ANTA DC Chapter President and the Event coordinator Mr. Anil Dwivedi. The news has been covered and published in several media.

ANTA Forms Audit Committee

ANTA Executive Committee formed Audit Committee under the chairmanship of Seating Treasurer Mr. Mukesh Karna. Other members of the committee include: Mr. Rajesh Shah, OH, Mr. Naveen Dutta, CO, Mr., Bikash Singh and Mr. Bal Krishna Jha, DC. The main task of this committee is to audit income/ expense report submitted by immediate past treasurer and others and submit a report to the executive committee within six months.



ANTA Summer Cultural Picnic in New Jersey

On July 30th, 2017, ANTA hosted its first summer cultural picnic at Washington Crossing State Park in New Jersey. The serene setting of this calm and secluded park was an ideal place for the attendees to mingle with one another and for the children to have this park for themselves. This event showcased the essence of Mithila and its great cultural heritage and traditions. There were a number of activities planned for the kids which were meant

workshop ran for hours and the participants were glued to their artwork till they accomplished its intricate fineness. We witnessed their sheer passion for the art workshop throughout its course. The joy to hold the art piece and pose it for the camera was the most prized moment for the organizers to witness and feel.

There was a book reading session took place while the art workshop was going on. The inspiring tale of the acclaimed Madhubani painting artist Dulari Devi's book, " Following

my paint brush" was read by Adya Jha. This story speaks about Dulari Devi's inspirational life events. It described her journey amongst several adversities. Our kids learned that obstacles can be overcome by determination and handwork.

Lord Shiva's Nachari and other songs delighted the listeners. The energetic kids were unstoppable. They quickly immersed themselves in



for them to get introduced to their roots back home. The participating families were full of enthusiasm. Their excitement to learn various art forms was commendable. It seemed as if this afternoon has taken everyone to their days in the villages back home.

The afternoon was full of art and cultural events. The Mithila painting art station had a bunch of curious painters from ages 3 to 50. They were given some sample art supplies which instilled a sense of artistry into them. This

the next workshop. This clay molding workshop was to introduce the children to Mithila's unique festival called, "Sama Chakewa". A brief story about this important festival was read out to the kids which helped them understand this festival's theme about the love between brothers and sisters. The kids loved making clay dolls, birds, and utensils. These centuries old, happy, and fun festival was a joy to take part in and the kids were excited to finish these clay models with vibrant colors. They took pride in accomplishing the project.

ANTA Summer Cultural Picnic in New Jersey

and we vowed to continue with our cultural workshops as often as possible. This event left lasting impressions on the young minds. We know that these kids will eventually pass these traditional values to their own kids which will be our ultimate achievement. We are away from Nepal and thus any experience like this is worth a lot.



The picnic attendees had a full range of Maithil delicacies to indulge. The "Paan and Supari" station was something that everyone was looking forward to after a rich meal. This entire event was an ideal experience for the families to come and get fully immersed in the cultural flavors. We all felt very proud of our children



We truly thank each and every participant and attendee for their valuable time and efforts at the picnic. We couldn't have done it without everyone's support.

ANTA Reached Out to Madhesh to Help Flood Victims

ANTA in collaboration with Koshish Foundation magnificently provided relief materials including health services and medicines to flood affected families of Brahmpuri village of Rautahat district. There were 93 relief packages, each contains Rs. 3,000 worth of essentials. The medical team comprised of 10 doctors also provided medical services and medicines to around 250 patients from the flood affected areas.

In addition, the team also organized a health camp to provide medical services and medicines to flood victims of Belhi and Tilathi villages of Saptari District. The area our team served was almost an island and other organization(s) before us refused to go there as they did not want to wade through the river. ANTA in collaboration with Koshish Foundation was able to provide effective health services and medicines to around 500 affected people in the area.



ANTA Reached Out to Madhesh to Help Flood Victims

ANTA in collaboration with Pahal Nepal delivered the needed supplies in a timely manner to the flood victims of Rajdevi Municipality of Rautahat District. The relief package included 20 kg Rice, 5 kg Potato, 1 kg Lentil, 1 kg Salt, 12 liter Oil, and 1 Mosquito Net. Please see the photos of our relief program provided below.



We want to express our sincerest gratitude to Mr. Uday Yadav, the younger brother of our Executive Committee Member, Mr. Mohan Yadav, who performed an excellent task on behalf of ANTA in Saptari District. With assistance from family and friends, Mr. Yadav distributed a small amount from ANTA's relief fund in villages of Saptari, to the flood victims who desperately required attention. His perseverance set an exemplar for all of us to follow on how to serve our community without any self-interest. ANTA follows the same ideal displayed by Mr. Yadav, which is serving our people without any self-interest. Hence, we welcome all our community members to come join us and serve our people.



ANTA Reached Out to Madhesh to Help Flood Victims

ANTA in collaboration with Madhesh Initiatives successfully completed the distribution of relief materials to the flood victims (25 households in Mushar & Jhangar Basti) of Bokraha Gaaun Palika - 6 of Sunsari District. The relief package included 20-kg Rice, 2-kg Lentil, 1-liter Oil, 1-kg Salt, 1 Tripal (Canopy), 2 T-Shirts for kids, 5-liter drinking Water, 1 Bucket, 1 Jug, and Cooking Utensils. The team also provided medical services and some medicines to the needed people. This has been published at <http://madheshvani.com/details/18326/madhesh-update>.



ANTA in collaboration with THRD Alliance successfully distributed relief materials and provided health services to the flood victims. This has been published at <http://thrda.org/thrd-alliance-collaborated-various-organisations-individuals-help-flood-victims/>.



ANTA Reached Out to Madhesh to Help Flood Victims

ANTA in collaboration with Sano Paila successfully distributed relief and support in five most affected districts by flood. Affected people were provided with Tarps, food, mosquito nets, sanitary items, medicines and new clothes focusing on the families who have lost their houses, pregnant mothers, children and elderly. Besides, Sano Paila also mobilized its volunteers under Local Youth Project (LYV) in districts: Sunsari, Jhapa and Saptari in serving the relief materials to the affected people. The families who lost their houses, children affected, pregnant mother were in the priority list in all 5 affected districts. The number of beneficiaries were: Parsa 95 families, Bara 163 families, Rautahat 100 families, Dhanusha 80 families, Mahottari 80 families



Terai Community Development Foundation has been organizing medical camps as well as distributing flood relief materials to flood affected areas of Rautahat to needy one and their community.



ANTA Project Summary

Purpose and Objective:

To help for quality education, awareness, and directly encourage school kids in one-to-one meeting.

Name and Address of School:

Shree Laxmi Ballav NarSingh Higher Secondary School, Babhnagama-Katti,
Nepal (established in 1949, 2006 BS)

Education level:

1st Grade to Bachelor degree

Principal:

Mr. Surya Narayan Sah

Project location:

Saptari district, VDC: Babhangama-Katti

Supplies:

- 4 computers donated for the computer lab
- 70 school back packs and pen-pencils donated to students of Dalit community.

Sponsor:

Dr. Akhilesh , Arpana & Ashna Singh

Project Amount: US \$ 2000 Approx.

Outcome:

Broadly appreciated by local community and took initiation for fulfilling the objective of the project "awareness for importance of quality education at district level by organizing seminar , meetings coming months.



Ashna Singh
5th Grader

Village Elementary school, West Windsor, NJ



Some people have it rough,
With not nearly enough.
That's why people should try some more,
Doing their best to help the poor.
Providing them with more of their needs,
it even makes yourself feel goods doing these deeds.
So everybody should start,
helping the poor with a big heart.



ANTA Appoints Committee Coordinators & CTO

ANTA Executive Committee held on 16th July 2017, nominated the following individuals as coordinators to lead various subcommittees as outlined in the ANTA Bylaws.

1. **Project: Dr. Subodh Mallik**
2. **Membership and Chapter: Dr. Indra D. Sahu**
3. **Finance: Mr. Mukesh Karna**
4. **Media and Publication: Dr. Jitendra Thakur**
5. **Event: Mr. Anil Dwivedy**
6. **Cultural: Mrs. Aprajita Jha**
7. **Youth Participation: Mr. Om Goit**
8. **Women Empowerment & Participation Enhancement: Dr. Archana Kayastha**
9. **Ethics and Disciplinary: Dr. Indra D Sahu**

Mr. Dhiraj Chaudhary of Lincoln, NE has been nominated as a Member of the ANTA Executive Committee. Mr. Chaudhary will be serving ANTA as Chief Technology Officer.

ANTA Forms Advisory Council

A meeting of the ANTA executive committee unanimously decided to form an advisory council comprising of four members Mrs. Annapurna Deo, Human Right Activist, Dr. Akhilesh Singh, Scientist, Dr. Pramod Kanth, Professor and Mr. Ratan Jha, Founding President of ANTA. Mrs. Annapurna Deo heads the committee. Mrs. Deo, Dr. Kanth and Mr. Jha are founding members of ANTA. Dr. Singh served as General Secretary, 2014-2016.

ANTA is Proud of You!

- Dr. Mamta Singh , Assistant Professor, Department of Teachers Education, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX has been promoted to Associate professor.
- Dr. Ram L. Ray, Research Scientist, Cooperative Agricultural Research Center, Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View, TX, passed the examination conducted by Texas Board of Professional Engineers to become Licensure in the State of Texas to practice civil engineering.
- Dr. Jitendra Thakur, Project Manager, Terracon Consultants, Inc. has been promoted to Department Manager and has been awarded with outstanding young professional award of Excellence for the year 2017 by Terracon Texas Division.
- Ms. Khushbu Mishra graduated with a Ph.D. in applied economics from the Ohio State University in the summer of 2017. Her interest mainly focuses on Gender and Development Study, Agricultural Economics, and impact evaluation.
- Dr. Khushbu Mishra has joined Stetson University, Orlando, FL, as an Assistant Professor of Economics in Fall 2017.

Congratulations !!!



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