

Nepal Administrative Staff College
5th Conference on Public Policy and Governance in South Asia
Subnational Government as a Defender of Democratic Governance and
Service Delivery

Schedule: Parallel Technical Sessions

March 29, 2024 (Chaitra 16, 2080), Friday

Theme 1: Subnational Governments: Structures, Innovations and Empowerment

Venue: Khaptad hall, Dikshya Sadan, NASC; **Time:** 11:45 – 13:30

SN	Time	Activity/ Title of the Paper & Authors	Paper Presenter
-	11:45-11:55	<i>Introduction of the Session Chair and Discussants</i>	
1.	11:55-12:05	Innovation in Public Service Delivery at Metropolitan City Offices in Nepal: A Case of Bagmati Province - Pritha Paudyal - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC), Nepal - Geetanjali Upadhyaya, NASC, Nepal	Pritha Paudyal
2.	12:05-12:15	Does E-Government Service improve Public Service Delivery? - A case of Department of Passport (DoP), Nepal Shyan Kirat Rai -NASC, Nepal	Shyan Kirat Rai
3.	12:15-12:25	Relationship of Organizational Structure with Transformational Leadership Practice in Public Sector: Evidence from Local Governments of Nepal - Antovna Gyawali - NASC, Nepal - Bikalpa Pokhrel - NASC, Nepal	Antovna Gyawali
4.	12:25-12:35	Case Study on Low Bidding in Public Procurement: A Case of Dharahara Reconstruction Project - Raghu Bista, NASC, Nepal - Lila Nath Sapkota, NASC, Nepal	Raghu Bista
5.	12:35-12:45	Effectiveness of Accountability Mechanism of Local Governments in Nepal - Ramesh Kumar KC – Public Administration Association of Nepal (PAAN), Nepal - Dilip Raj Paudel - PAAN, Nepal	Ramesh Kumar KC
6.	12:45-12:55	नेपालमा संघीयताको अवस्था र सवलीकरण - Pratap Paudel, Public Policy Pathshala, Nepal - Krishna Rijal, Public Policy Pathshala, Nepal	Krishna Rijal
-	12:55-13:20	<i>Thematic discussions</i>	
-	13:20-13:30	<i>Distribution of Certificates and Token of Love</i>	

Chair: Mr. Binod Prakash Singh, Secretary, Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration

Discussant: Mr. Krishna Gyawali, General Secretary, Public Administration Association of Nepal

Discussant: Dr. Dil Khatri, Executive Director, Southasia Institute of Advanced Studies

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Theme 2: Intergovernmental Relationships: Opportunities and Practices

Venue: Lumbini hall, Dikshya Sadan, NASC; **Time:** 11:45 – 13:30

SN	Time	Activity/ Title of the Paper	Paper Presenter
-	11:45-11:55	<i>Introduction of the Session Chair and Discussants</i>	
1.	11:55-12:05	Local Governments in response to COVID-19 Second Wave in Nepal: A Sequential Explanatory Mixed Methods Study on the Coordination and Support with Higher Level Governments - Anup Bhurtel - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC), Nepal - Prakash C. Bhattarai - Kathmandu University, School of Education	Anup Bhurtel
2.	12:05-12:15	स्थानिय सरकार र सामुदायिक बनः नजोडिएको साइनो - Bhola Khatiwada - Southasia Institute of Advanced Studies (SIAS), Nepal - Govinda Paudel - SIAS, Nepal	Govinda Paudel
3.	12:15-12:25	Perceived Organizational Support of Higher Level Governments and its Effect on Trust of Local Governments - Anup Bhurtel - NASC, Nepal - Chandni Kayastha - NASC, Nepal	Chandni Kayastha
4.	12:25-12:35	Relationship of Emotional Intelligence with Job Satisfaction and Burnout in Public Service Jobs of Nepal Bikalpa Pokhrel - NASC, Nepal	Bikalpa Pokhrel
5.	12:35-12:45	नेपालमा सरकारी स्रोत वितरणको अभ्यास र राजनीति Narayan Baskota - Niti Foundation, Nepal	Narayan Baskota
-	12:45-13:20	<i>Thematic discussions</i>	
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Chair: Mr. Udaya Sapkota, Secretary - Law

Discussant: Mr. Madhu Raman Acharya, President, Public Administration Association of Nepal

Discussant: Dr. Hari Prasad Dhungana, Associate Professor, Nepal Open University

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Theme 3: Role of Subnational Governments in meeting 2030 Target of SDGs (Hybrid Modality)

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-	11:45-11:55	<i>Introduction of the Session Chair and Discussants</i>	
1.	11:55-12:05	Analysing SDG Target of Child Mortality and its Determinants in Indian States Swati Jain, University of Allahabad, India	Swati Jain (Online)
2.	12:05-12:15	Determinants of Child Marriage in Bangladesh: Evidence from five 'Disadvantaged' Upazilas - Rafsanul Hoque - BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, BRAC University, Bangladesh - Md Rakib Hossain - BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, BRAC University, Bangladesh - Raihan Ahamed - BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, BRAC University, Bangladesh	Rafsanul Hoque (Online)
3.	12:15-12:25	Disaster Risk Reduction Management Opportunities and Challenges to the Local Government: Insights from Khokana, Lalitpur Rachana Upadhyaya - University of Bristol, UK	Rachana Upadhyaya (Online)
4.	12:25-12:35	Endeavors for Quality Education in Koshi Province Binay Bhaskar Dutta - Office of the Chief Minister and Council of Ministers, Koshi Province, Nepal	Binay Bhaskar Dutta
5.	12:35-12:45	Leveraging Data for Localizing and Integrating the Sustainable Development Goals into Local Plans - Bishnu Prasad Lamsal - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC), Nepal - Anil Kumar Gupta - NASC, Nepal	Anil Kumar Gupta
-	12:45-13:20	<i>Thematic discussions</i>	
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Chair: Dr. Toya Narayan Gyawali, Member Secretary, National Planning Commission

Discussant: Dr. Biju Kumar Shrestha, Joint-Secretary, Office of Vice-President of Nepal

Discussant: Dr. Prakash C. Bhattarai, Associate Dean of External Affairs, Kathmandu University School of Education

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Theme 4: Inclusive Governance and Service Delivery at Subnational Level

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-	11:45-11:55	<i>Introduction of the Session Chair and Discussants</i>	
1.	11:55-12:05	Competency of Local Government Officials and Organizational Performance at Local Levels Shiva Hari Adhikari - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC, Nepal)	Shiva Hari Adhikari
2.	12:05-12:15	Decision-Making Practices at the Local Government: An Inquiry Through Inclusive Decision-Making Framework - Anil Kumar Gupta - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC), Nepal - Trilochan Pokharel - NASC, Nepal - Pratibha Dhungana - NASC, Nepal - Pritha Paudyal - NASC, Nepal	Pratibha Dhungana
3.	12:15-12:25	Inclusive Governance in Nepalese Civil Service: Comparative Analysis in South Asia Baburam Bhul - Nepal Open University and Office of the Auditor General, Nepal	Baburam Bhul
4.	12:25-12:35	Navigating Gender and Governance: An Intersectional Examination of South Asian Women in the Bureaucracies - Saadia Hossain Muna - South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance, North South University, Bangladesh - Sk Tawfique M Hauque - South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance, North South University, Bangladesh - Syeda Lasna Kabir - South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance, North South University, Bangladesh	Saadia Hossain Muna
5.	12:35-12:45	Gender Equality and Social Inclusion in Urban Water Governance in Nepal - Gyanu Maskey - Southasia Institute of Advanced Studies (SIAS), Nepal - Anushiya Shrestha, SIAS, Nepal - Salu Basnet - SIAS, Nepal - Dil Khatri - SIAS, Nepal	Gyanu Maskey
6.	12:45-12:55	Inclusive Governance and Service Delivery at Subnational Level Rajani Regmi - Provincial Center for Good Governance, Nepal	Rajani Regmi
-	12:55-13:20	<i>Thematic discussions</i>	
-	13:20-13:30	<i>Distribution of Certificates and Token of Love</i>	

Chair: Ms. Radhika Aryal, Secretary, Lumbini Province

Discussant: Dr. Pukar Malla, Chairperson – Daayitwa

Discussant: Dr. Purna Bahadur Nepali, Assoc. Professor, Kathmandu University School of Management

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Theme 5: Local Leadership Development and functioning during Disasters

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-	11:45-11:55	<i>Introduction of the Session Chair and Discussants</i>	
1.	11:55-12:05	Marginality Shaping Vulnerability and Risk of Disaster in the Southern Kathmandu Valley - Rojani Manandhar - Southasia Institute of Advanced Studies (SIAS), Nepal - Dilli Prasad Poudel - SIAS, Nepal	Rojani Manandhar
2.	12:05-12:15	Citizen Charter as Governance Reform Initiative for Quality Service Delivery Sushmita Acharya - Tribhuvan University, Nepal	Sushmita Acharya
3.	12:15-12:25	Fostering Leadership Development in Subnational Governments: A Study of Effective Initiatives and Challenges Salina Bhattarai - Governance Lab at Daayitwa Abhiyaan, Nepal	Salina Bhattarai
4.	12:25-12:35	Frontline Healthcare Professionals' Work Effectiveness during COVID-19 in Nepal: What Matters? - Shailendra Prasad Bhatt - Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC), Nepal - Pramod Niroula - NASC, Nepal	Shailendra Prasad Bhatt
5.	12:35-12:45	Early Phase of Federalism: Exploring the Experiences of Administrative Leaders of Local Governments in Nepal - Anup Bhurtel - NASC, Nepal - Bikalpa Pokhrel - NASC, Nepal - Anita Poudel - NASC, Nepal - Krishna Bahadur Thapa - NASC, Nepal - Ashutosh Neupane - NASC, Nepal	Krishna Bahadur Thapa
6.	12:45-12:55	Perceived Level on Efforts of Municipals on COVID-19 Pandemic Management and its Association among Teachers of Community Schools Jyoti Chandra Ojha - Kathmandu University, School of Education, Nepal	Jyoti Chandra Ojha
-	12:55-13:20	<i>Thematic discussions</i>	
-	13:20-13:30	<i>Distribution of Certificates and Token of Love</i>	

Chair: Ms. Anita Lama, Deputy Mayor, Budhanilkantha Municipality

Discussant: Prof. Dr. Meen Bahadur Poudyal Chhetri, Executive Member - Nepal Center for Disaster Management

Discussant: Mr. Anil Pokhrel, CEO, National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority