



***Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies
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***Joint International Seminar
Water Resources Cooperation between India and Nepal***

June 17-18, 2014

Venue:
Himalaya Horizon Resort at Dhullikhel
Nepal

Inaugural Session

17 June 2014

Registration: 9.30 -9.45

9.45 -11.00

Welcome Address: **Dr Sreeradha Dutta**, Director, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata, India.

Inaugural Address: **Shri Sitaram Sharma**, Chairman, MAKAIAS, Kolkata, India.

Special Address: **H. E. Mr. Ranjit Rae**, Ambassador of India to Nepal Embassy of India, Chairperson, B P Koirala India Nepal Foundation, Nepal.

Book Release by **H. E. Mr. Ranjit Rae**, Book: *Indo-Nepal Relations*, **Dr Monika Mandal**, (ed), 2014.

Keynote Address: Prof. Dr. Govinda Raj Pokharel, Hon. Vice Chairman of Nepal's National Planning Commission, Nepal.

Working Session

Session I 11.00 -1.00

Chair: **Prof Pranab Ray**

Mr Dwarika Dhungel

Water Resource Cooperation between Nepal and India: What Persists?

Prof Kalyan Rudra

Sharing the trans boundary water: Some issues of concern.

Dr Bishnu Raj Upreti & Gopikesh Acharya

Shared Water Resources between Nepal and India: a cooperation and conflict perspective.

Prof. Nalini Kant Jha

Hydro-power Cooperation between India and Nepal: Imperatives and Prospects.

Lunch: 1.00-2.00

Session II 2.00- 3.30

Chair: **Prof Kalyan Rudra**

Mr Shital Babu Regmee

Nepal India and Inundation Problems.

Amb Shambhu Ram Simkhada

Water Resources Utilization an Important Dimension of Nepal India Relations.

Prof Medha Bisht

India-Nepal Water Issues—Moving Past Negotiated Frameworks.

Tea 3.30-3.45

Session III 3.45 -5.30

Chair: **Shri Sitaram Sharma**

Mr Prakash Gaudel

Growing Socio-Environmental Concerns in Water Resources Development Sector: Opportunities and Challenges for Nepal-India Water Cooperation.

Dr.D.Purushothaman

River Water Sharing between India and Nepal: Implications of Climate Change.

Mr. Partha J Das

Integrated flood management in Nepal-India Transboundary Rivers: Emerging opportunities and challenges in the context of Himalayan environmental change.

Dinner

18 June 2014

Session IV 10.00- 12.00

Chair: **Dr Sreeradha Dutta**

Mr Sagar Prasai, Nepal

Beyond Geopolitics: State Capabilities in Water Cooperation.

Prof Sanjay K Jha

Water Security and Inter-state relations: Management of Flood in North Bihar.

Mr Prakash Paudel

Indo-Nepal Co-operation for Managing Trans-border Flood Problems.

Tea: 12.00-12.30

Special lecture 12.30 -1.30

Chair: **Amb Shambhu Ram Simkhada**

Prof Pranab Ray

Vote of Thanks:

Lunch: 1.30-2.30

City Tour: 2.30 onwards

Designation of Participants

Prof Pranab Ray, Director, Professional Institute of Development and Socio-Environmental Management-PRISM, Kolkata, India.

Mr Dwarika Dhungel, Former Executive Director and Senior Researcher, IIDS Kathmandu, Nepal & **Christopher Butler**, Ph. D Scholar at the University of California Santa Cruz, Nepal.

Prof Kalyan Rudra, Chairman, W. B Waste land Development Corporation and environment river scientist, Kolkata, India.

Dr Bishnu Raj Upreti, Regional Coordinator, South Asia Regional Office & **Gopikesh Acharya**, Research Associate in Nepal Centre for Contemporary Research (NCCR), Nepal.

Prof. Nalini Kant Jha, Professor & Dean, School of Social Sciences & International Studies Director, Southern Asia Studies Programme Pondicherry Central University, India.

Mr Shital Babu Regmee, Former Secretary, Government of Nepal, Nepal.

Amb Shambhu Ram Simkhada, Ambassador to Switzerland and Visiting Professor-Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Nepal.

Prof Medha Bisht, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations South Asian University, Delhi, India.

Mr Prakash Gaudel, Environment Specialist Environment and Social Studies Department Nepal Electricity Authority, Nepal.

Mr Sagar Prasai, Nepal

Prof Sanjay K Jha, Dean, School of International Studies Central University of Gujarat, Gujarat, India.

Mr Prakash Paudel, Civil (Water Resources) Engineer, Nepal.