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Dialogue on Urbanization and Future Cities

On 6 October 2023, Dr. Shankar Shrestha (Executive Director, NDRI) was invited to the dialogue on: “Urbanization and Future Cities” organized by Southasia Institute of Advanced Studies (SIAS) on the occasion of its 14th Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Kathmandu, Nepal. In the dialogue, Prof. Dr. Pitambar Sharma, Former Vice Chair of the National Planning Commission of the Government of Nepal, shared his experiences on Urban Resilience. Likewise, Mr. Krishna Gyawali, Former Secretary of the Government of Nepal and Chair of SIAS shared his experiences on Urban research. Similarly, Dr. Dilli P. Poudel, Senior Researcher of SIAS shared the “Tomorrow’s Cities” project insights focusing on the Political Ecology of Urban Disasters. The presentations were followed by discussion. SIAS is one of the partners of NDRI in the GCRF funded Tomorrow’s Cities Project.

Colloquium on “Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Nepal: Challenges and Opportunities”

On 8 October 2023, Dr. Shankar Shrestha (Executive Director, NDRI) participated in a colloquium on “Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Nepal: Challenges and Opportunities” organized in Kathmandu, Nepal by AIT Alumni Association Nepal (AITAAN) and AIT’s Global Water & Sanitation Center (GWSC) in association with Society of Public Health Engineers Nepal (SoPHEN) under the Patronage of Government of Nepal, Ministry of Water Supply.



The objective of the program was to understand current state of progress in WASH sector, characterize key challenges with specific focus on achieving 2030 Agenda and beyond, and explore potential opportunities.

The program consisted of presentations from Department of Water Supply and Sewerage, Government of Nepal on “Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Nepal: Challenges and Opportunities” and from GWSC on “Introduction to AIT’s Global Water & Sanitation Center” followed by panel discussion on “Challenges and Opportunities in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Nepal” with the panelists representing federal and local governments and NGO/experts working on WASH sector in Nepal. The panel discussion was followed by Q/A among the panelists and participants representing experts/organizations/academia working in the WASH sector in Nepal.

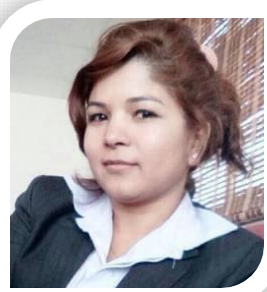
Tobacco Control Program: National Survey Data Collection (2023)

The Tobacco Control Program (TCP) team collected Nationwide data starting from 24 September 2023 to 6 October 2023. The survey covered a vast geographical expanse by including 18 districts across all the 7 provinces of Nepal. This national survey aimed to gather comprehensive data related to tobacco consumption and its implications among the population in Nepal.



This data is pivotal for crafting effective strategies and interventions for tobacco control in the country. There were 25 enumerators deployed at the field level.

Welcome To the Family!



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Interesting News

Patan High Court refuses to register same sex marriage

<https://thehimalayantimes.com/kathmandu/patan-high-court-refuses-to-register-same-sex-marriage>

The lih movement and beyond

<https://kathmandupost.com/columns/2023/10/08/the-iih-movement-and-beyond>

Street smart business

<https://kathmandupost.com/columns/2023/10/05/street-smart-business>

Thought of the week

"Monday Morning Blues? Why not change the color of your Monday to yellow and brighten up the coming week?"

– Kanika Saxena

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