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National Seminar on Education and Employment Concludes



The National Seminar on National Seminar on Education and Employment Linkage under the joint initiative of Hotel Association Nepal, Confederation of Nepal Industry and NADA Automobile Association of Nepal was successfully held on 29th August 2024. The seminar was organized with the support of the Enhanced Skills for Sustainable and Rewarding Employment (ENSSURE) project.

The seminar was organized with the aim of addressing the existing challenges for the involvement of the private sector in technical and vocational education and training (TVET) providing policy suggestions to increase the participation of the private sector, and improving sector.

The project aims to attain the vision of strengthening the relationship between education and employment and making Nepali youth eligible for employment by providing them with employable skills.

Inaugurating the program, Minister of Education, Science and Technology Ms. Bidhya Bhattarai said that policies should be made to connect education, business and labor. Speaking at the event, minister Bhattarai pointed out to restructure CTEVT as it was running according to the same policy as in 2045 when it was founded. Minister emphasized that at least the curriculum and restructuring of CTEVT should be improved. The main speaker of the program was Chair of Education System E.T.H. Prof. Dr. Ursula

Reynolds said that there should be involvement of the industrial sector in the TVet sector in the union structure. She emphasized that the education system should ensure that the industry produces manpower.

Mr Binayak Shah, President of Hotel Association Nepal said that there is a huge shortage of skills in the country. Stating that hotel and other industries are struggling to get skilled human resources, he emphasized that the mismatch between education and employment system should be reduced for the development of skilled workforce. He said that the Industrial Apprentice Training program is important to address the existing problems of labor market.

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Mr Mathias Meier, Deputy Head of Mission/Charge d’Affaires of the Swiss Embassy, said that Switzerland has been promoting the Dual VET Industrial Trainee Training Program in Nepal for more than a year.

CTEVT Member-Secretary Mr Mahesh Bhattarai, Vice President of Confederation of Nepalese Industry Mr Birendra Raj Pandey, President of NADA Automobile Association of Nepal Mr Karan Chaudhary pointed out the need to connect Nepalese youth with education and employment to create a skilled workforce.

In the first session, the role of the private sector for involvement in T-Vet programs, policy disruptions and the search for possible solutions were discussed. In that session,

period of the TVET program. Two working papers were presented regarding the condition of T-Vet schools in Nepal and how industry-led sectoral skill committees can reduce the gap between employers’ needs and production. After the presentation, Regional Skill Committee, CTEVT. And it was discussed in a panel consisting of representatives of the Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Security.

A skill competition was also organized among the trainees of hotel management and automobile industrial training pre-diploma program. The trainees participating in the competition demonstrated the art of vehicle repair and cooking. Panchakanya Group Pvt. Ltd., Nepal Ikrat Engineering Pvt. Ltd., Arihant Multi Fibers Ltd., C.G.



the results of the study on the benefits of industrial training for the youth and industries and the lack of policy in TEVT were presented in Nepal.

These issues were discussed between the Parliamentary Education Committee, the Ministry of Education, the Confederation of Nepal Industry and the regional representatives of the Confederation of Industry and Commerce.

In the second session, there was a discussion about the existing practices as well as the needs for improvement under the role of the private sector during the training

Moto Corporation, and Airport Hotel were honored with the Apprenticeship Champion Award.

The industries that actively support the program by participating in the Industrial Trainee Training Program and giving priority to the youth and women of disadvantaged groups and giving place to a large number of trainees for training in their industries have been awarded as an honor. Apart from this, the winning trainees of the competition were awarded to Basant Kumar Chaudhary, Rabina Rai and Rashmi Mukhia.

HAN Activities in a Nutshell

- President Mr Binayak Shah met with the newly appointed DG of Department of Tourism Dr Narayan Prasad Regmi on September 4, 2024.
- Treasurer Mr Youb Raj Shrestha attended as a Chief Guest of the Annual General Meeting of Madhesh Province on 15 August 2024 in Jakakpur. The AGM elected newly board under the Presidentship of Mr. Surendra Lal Shrestha.
- Secretary General Mr Sajan Shakya attended the 7th Miss Grand Nepal on August 18 as a special guest and handed over trophies to the winners.
- Secretary General Mr. Sajan Shakya attended the programs of 'Federation of Nepalese Industries and Entrepreneurs' as a guest at Hotel Everest, August 23, 2024 and also attended the AGM of Nepal Tourist Vehicle Association at Park Village, Budhanilakantha on same day.

Nepal Hospitality Conclave-2024



significant event. I hope that the talks and deliberations during the program will help alter the future of Nepal's service industry, allowing it to grow even further," stated Hotel Association Nepal President Binayak Shah.

"We are confident that this event will be a strategic platform to chart the future course of Nepal's hospitality sector," said Subadh Thapa, co-founder of Beanstalk

Nepal Hospitality Conclave-2024 will be held in Kathmandu from September 26th with the aim of promoting the development and promotion of Nepal's hospitality sector.

This event, which will take place at the Lemon Tree Premier Hotel in Budhanilkantha, Kathmandu, will bring together over 200 hospitality sector stakeholders, investors, policymakers, regulators, experts, and various national and international hotels operating in Nepal, as well as service merchants.

During this two-day event, there will be in-depth discussions about the current situation, problems, and challenges facing Nepal's hotels, new methods and procedures, innovation, collaboration, IT technology, digital marketing and partnerships, and other hospitality-related themes.

The second edition of the conclave, which will be organized in collaboration with Hotel Association Nepal, Beanstalk Asia Nepal, Watercomm, and Nepal Traveller, will provide a common platform for exchanging knowledge, ideas, strategies, and



ideas related to the hotel sector, as well as knowing, understanding, and learning about the hotel and hospitality business and the overall industry. The organizer has said that this program will be offered to anyone who requests it. According to the organizers, the significance of this conclave, which will be conducted in the context of the Nepal government recognizing 2025 as the special tourism year and the 2080s as the Nepal tourism decade, has grown even stronger.

"The Hotel Association of Nepal is excited to be collaborating with the organization of this

Asia Nepal and principal organizer of the Nepal Hospitality Conclave. This conference has grown even more crucial in light of the increased competitiveness."



**Nepal
Hospitality
Conclave
2024**

26-27 September 2024

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INTERNATIONAL VISITORS ARRIVALs BY NATIONALITY

Calendar Year: 2024 August Vs 2023 August

Country of Nationality	August		% Change	% Share '24 August
	2024	2023		
ASIA (SAARC)				
Bangladesh	3,077	3,190	-3.5%	4.2%
India	25,832	26,665	-3.1%	35.5%
Pakistan	389	413	-5.8%	0.5%
Bhutan	1,074	1,043	3.0%	1.5%
Srilanka	4,851	3,858	25.7%	6.7%
Sub-Total	35,223	35,169	0.2%	48.4%
ASIA (OTHER)				
China	6,614	5,027	31.6%	9.1%
Japan	1,881	1,520	23.8%	2.6%
Malaysia	1,287	1,188	8.3%	1.8%
Singapore	618	540	14.4%	0.8%
S. Korea	1,602	1,099	45.8%	2.2%
Myanmar	152	77	97.4%	0.2%
Thailand	436	483	-9.7%	0.6%
Sub-Total	12,590	9,934	26.7%	17.3%
EUROPE				
Austria	179	180	-0.6%	0.2%
Belgium	264	247	6.9%	0.4%
Czech Republic	116	97	19.6%	0.2%
Denmark	98	105	-6.7%	0.1%
France	711	822	-13.5%	1.0%
Germany	849	875	-3.0%	1.2%
Italy	1,615	1,496	8.0%	2.2%
The Netherlands	500	563	-11.2%	0.7%
Norway	86	86	0.0%	0.1%
Poland	159	156	1.9%	0.2%
Russia	606	474	27.8%	0.8%
Switzerland	203	177	14.7%	0.3%
Spain	1,580	1,588	-0.5%	2.2%
Sweden	81	72	12.5%	0.1%
Ukraine	135	88	53.4%	0.2%
U.K.	2,764	2,711	2.0%	3.8%
Sub-Total	9,946	9,737	2.1%	13.7%
OCEANIA				
Australia	1,763	1,347	30.9%	2.4%
New Zealand	175	133	31.6%	0.2%
Sub-Total	1,938	1,480	30.9%	2.9%
AMERICAS				
Canada	753	640	17.7%	1.0%
U.S.A.	5,614	4,629	21.3%	7.7%
Sub-Total	6,367	5,269	20.8%	8.8%
MIDDLE EAST				
Isreal	230	193	19.2%	0.3%
Turkey	336	255	31.8%	0.5%
Sub-Total	566	448	26.3%	0.8%
OTHERS	6,089	5,116	19.0%	8.4%
Total	72,719	67,153	8.3%	100.0%

Source: Immigration Department*

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*This data is based on the monthly raw data provided by Immigration Department