

This report covers the period from 30 July 2021 to 28 July 2022 and contains all the major activities carried out during the period.

This Executive Committee was unanimously elected on 4 December 2020 during 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting conducted in hybrid mode. According to Nepal AOTS statute, we need to conduct our Annual General Meeting (AGM) in July, every year. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we were obliged to change that date and the 30<sup>th</sup> AGM was successfully organized in December, 2020. Therefore, this executive committee have got around 20-months to work until this AGM.

After the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Body Meeting, which was held in blended mode on 30 July 2021, few in person meetings and physical programmes was possible to conduct due to COVID-19 pandemic.

Just to remind, since then, Bonenkai was the only largest physical gathering event, it was possible to conduct in 2020 and in 2021. All of sudden COVID-19 impacted us all in different ways including way of living, thinking, and doing.

Even due to COVID-19 restriction and lockdown, it was possible to provide training for 582 Nepalese participants in the last 12 months, where 345 participants through the training program organized by Nepal AOTS and 237 participants through the training program organized by AOTS Japan and AOTS Alumni Societies around the globe.

Apart from this, Nepal AOTS also actively participated in other important activities to maintain the inter-organizational relationships and for other social causes.

This report was unanimously approved in the Executive Committee Meeting, held on July 25, 2022.

Below is the comprehensive annual activity report for Nepal AOTS during the period of 2021/22.

### 1. 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Body Meeting

Due to the government restrictions during COVID-19 pandemic, 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of Nepal AOTS was conducted in Blended Mode (Post Holders were physically present at Nepal AOTS Office and other members attended the programme via Zoom Platform) on 30 July 2021. The General Secretary's Annual Activity Report and the Treasurer's Financial Report were presented on the occasion, and the reports were unanimously endorsed by the AGM after a discussion.

Altogether 68 members attended the Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Hisashi Kanda, the then General Manager, New Delhi Office, made his presence as the Chief Guest of the programme through Zoom where he appreciated the activities of Nepal AOTS and offered valuable insights for further development of the organization and its activities.



### 2. Secretariat Management

Nepal AOTS Secretariat is managed at its own building named Yamamoto Talim Ghar (YTG) at Koteshwor, Kathmandu and secretariat team is working hard to provide maximum services to the members and concerned stakeholders from the office.



Nepal AOTS is using [office@nepalaots.org.np](mailto:office@nepalaots.org.np) - email address, <https://www.facebook.com/nepal.aots> - Facebook page, and <http://nepalaots.org.np> - website to disseminate its information.

Moreover, Nepal AOTS is using eSewa to enable digital payment for Nepal AOTS activities including membership renewal fees and training fees using QR Code and eSewa – e-payment platform.

Currently Mr. Rajan Rajbhandari (Office Secretary) and Mr. Arjun Choudhari (Office Assistant) are working full-time in the Nepal AOTS secretariat whereas Mr. Kedar Adhikari took voluntary retirement on 18 October, 2021 (२०७८ साल कार्तिक ०१ गते) after serving Nepal AOTS as Night Staff for 25 Years. Nepal AOTS felicitated with gratuity amount of Nrs. 2,42,500 and certificate during the Bonenkai program on 23 December 2021.

### 3. Meetings and Other Business

In order to fulfill the goals and objectives of Nepal AOTS, following formal meetings were organized on a regular basis from July 30, 2021 to till date.

Monthly Meetings	12
Executive Committee Meetings	12
Special Executive Committee Meetings	1
Other Meetings	8

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, monthly meetings were regularly conducted via Zoom on the first Monday of every month of English calendar.

Similarly, Executive Committee meetings were also regularly organised either in blended mode, in virtual mode or in physical mode on the third Monday of every month of English calendar. Nepal AOTS activities are carried out through various committees and separate meetings are conducted by such committees. Other meetings include sub-committee meetings and on-demand meetings to plan and execute the activities of Nepal AOTS.

#### 4. Bonenkai 2021 Programme

Nepal AOTS Alumni Society (Nepal AOTS) organized Bonenkai Programme on Thursday, December 23, 2021 (२०७८ साल पौष ०८ गते बिहीवार) at Hotel Royal Singi, Kamaladi, Kathmandu.

Bōnenkai (忘年会, "Forget the Year Party") is a Japanese Drinking Party that takes place at the end of the year. The purpose of the party is to forget the woes and troubles of the past year, and hopefully look to the New Year and to socialize with fellow members and family.

Nepal AOTS has been organizing Bonenkai regularly inviting Japanese Embassy members, JICA Nepal Office Staffs, Japan-related Organizations, Japanese and Nepalese guests and Nepal AOTS members with their family. Nepal AOTS's Bonenkai is a social gathering where drinks, snacks and dinner are served for the attendees and gifts are also distributed for all the participants.

Due to COVID – 19 crisis and with the government's protocol and regulations, Nepal AOTS decided to organized event with Nepal AOTS Members and their families.

Though, some guests from Japan Related organizations and guests and students studying Japanese Language in Kathmandu University were invited.

Nepal AOTS had collected gifts from its members and Bonenkai Attendees and these have been given as surprised gifts to all attendees of the Bonenkai programs.

Kathmandu University students sang group song "TAKIBI in program.



#### 5. AOTS - University Internship Program

AOTS - University Internship Program was conducted virtually for the students of Musashino University, Tokyo from 24 February 2022 to 10 March 2022 (10 working days). It was conducted by The Association for Overseas Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Partnerships (AOTS), Japan and Love Green Nepal (LGN) in cooperation with Nepal AOTS Alumni Society for total eight students.

Students from Faculty of Economics, Japanese Communication, Business Administration, Global Business, Faculty of Law, and Japanese Language Education participated in the online internship program at Love Green Nepal using Zoom platform specifically in the area of Infrastructure Development, Agriculture Activities, Education, and Women Empowerment.

Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha welcomed students in Nepal and gave an orientation about life and culture of Nepal in the opening ceremony. Also, as a counterpart of AOTS Japan, Nepal AOTS officials actively participated in the orientation/kick off meetings, presentations, wrap up meetings, evaluation, and supported AOTS Japan and LGN as needed during the implementation of the program.

At the end of the program, "Certificate of Internship" was presented to all the students in a physical closing ceremony organized at AOTS premises on 10 March, 2022.

#### 6. Contribution to WNF, AOTS Japan

Nepal AOTS General Secretary, Mr. Narayan Thapa actively participated in WNF Management Committee, representing SAFAAS region to execute WNF activities. SAFAAS was nominated Mr. Thapa from Nepal AOTS in the WNF Management Committee Japan during SAFAAS Convention held in Tokyo, Japan in 2019.

#### 7. Ben-Kyou-Kai Meeting

Nepal AOTS has provided training to thousands of people in Nepal at different times while the members of this organization have been voluntarily involved in the activities and programmes of the organization.

In this context, after the election of the current executive committee on December 4, 2020, various committees have been formed to carry out activities of the organization while maintaining the culture and tradition of Nepal AOTS.

The Benkyoukai Committee was formed for the purpose of "Knowledge Sharing and Building" and it is led by Ms. Shanti Laxmi Shakya who is also an Executive Committee Member of Nepal AOTS.

The Japanese word Benkyoukai is actually a combination of 3 Japanese Kanji Characters. These characters, i.e. Kanji symbols, have unique meanings. The first Kanji character means "exertion", the second Kanji character means "strong" and the third Kanji character means "meeting". When we mix first and second Kanji Characters together, it means "study" and thus, Benkyoukai means "study meeting".

Nepal AOTS is trying to conduct at least one Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting each month just before the monthly meeting and 7 sessions are conducted during the period, as below so far.

### ✚ My Experience working in Nepal and Establishing a New Company 'Love Fit' In Japan



Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, August 2, 2021 on the theme of “My Experience working in Nepal and Establishing a New Company 'Love Fit' In Japan” through Zoom platform. Ms Ashina Kikuchi, President and CEO, Laugh Fit Inc. was the resource person to share her experience working in Nepal when she was working as a Project leader of overseas business, in ibasei, Ltd. (Japan) from 2015 to 2020 and her experience to establish a New Company named Laugh Fit Inc. in 2020, December.

Commissioned by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), ibasei (where she was working as a Project Leader of Overseas Business until September, 2020) conducted a verification study to install a small hydroelectric generator in a poor rural area of the Himalayas. As a project leader overseas business, she assisted projects which conducting local technical and business surveys, procuring necessary equipment, installing hydroelectric generators, developing local technicians and personnel for maintenance, holding product demonstration events. They also manufactured some hydroelectric power generation facilities and handed over all the equipment to the Government of Nepal. ibasei was selected as a "Companies Driving Regional Growth" by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan.

### ✚ Experience Sharing on My Journey from Toyota Japan to the Educational Academy in Nepal

Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, September 6, 2021 on the theme of “Experience Sharing on My Journey from Toyota Japan to the Educational Academy in Nepal” through Zoom platform. Mr. Anil Marahatta, Managing Director of Multi Achieve Education Academy was the guest of honor for the Ben-Kyou-Kai session.

During the session, Mr. Marahatta shared his experience about his journey in Japan starting from his early 20s, working Toyota Japan for few years and his motive to start Multi Achieve Education Academy in Nepal.



### ✚ Living in 2 Worlds - Collaboration for Development Between Nepalese in Japan and Nepal



Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, October 4, 2021 on the theme of “Living in 2 Worlds - Collaboration for Development Between Nepalese in Japan and Nepal” through Zoom platform. Ms. Astha Tuladhar, Assistant Professor - Mie University, Mie, Japan was the guest of honor for the Ben-Kyou-Kai session.

During the session, Ms. Tuladhar shared her more than 2-decade long experience in Japan starting as a student in 2001 to recent professional life in the academic sector.

Ms. Tuladhar has more than 16 papers published in international journals, chapters in books and have very long experience to speak as a resource person in different countries including Nepal, Japan, China, Australia, Thailand, Italy and others.

### ✚ Experience Sharing on My Professional Journey in Japan and in Nepal

Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, December 6, 2021 on the theme of “Experience Sharing on My Professional Journey in Japan and in Nepal “ through Zoom platform. Mr. Arjun Adhikari was the guest of honor for the Ben-Kyou-Kai session.

Mr. Adhikari is currently chairman of Hokkaido Nepal Business Group, Hokkaido Ramen House, Hokkaido Motors, Hokkaido Cleaning Star, Dekkaido Onsen, Dekkaido QX, Bistarai Bistarai Group, Japan, Janeichi Import Export and also a Main Board Member in Langtang Grace and WINS international.

During the session, Mr. Adhikari shared his experience starting from Arghakhanchi to Kathmandu Nepal and then Kathmandu- Nepal to Osaka-Japan and back again from Japan to Nepal in different sectors.



### ✚ My Experience with SALT TRADING CORPORATION LIMITED and Supply of Essential Goods During Covid 19



Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, February 7, 2022 on the theme of “My Experience with SALT TRADING CORPORATION LIMITED and Supply of Essential Goods During Covid 19” through zoom platform. Mrs. Urmila Shrestha, CEO - Salt Trading Corporation Limited was the guest of honor in the session where she has shared her valuable and inspiring experience among the participants.

Besides in Salt Trading Corporation, Mrs. Shrestha has around 35 years of working experiences and involvements in several other organizations including as: Vice President - Nepal Chamber of Commerce; Chairperson - Nepal Woman Chamber; Executive Member - International Chamber of Commerce; Executive Member - Nepal Vietnam Chamber of Commerce; Executive Member - Nepal Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and others. Nepal Government, National Women's Commission of Nepal awarded for her valuable contribution to the nation and society in 2068.

In the Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting, Mrs. Shrestha shared her very long journey with Salt Trading Corporation during Maoist insurgency, Economic Blockade, Earthquake and mainly her experience about Supply of Essential Goods during Covid-19. The meeting also discussed about the future possible programmes with mutual benefits between Nepal AOTS and Salt Trading Corporation.

### + Think Outside the Square but Within a Circle



Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022 on the theme of “Think Outside the Square but Within a Circle” through Zoom platform by Prof. Dinesh Prasad Chapagain.

During the Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting, Prof. Chapagain shared his experience starting as a front-line engineer to General Manager of manufacturing industry for 22 years and another 15 years in research, consulting and teaching.

Former President and Advisor of Nepal AOTS Prof. Chapagain shared his experience about quality, productivity and his different key roles for related things in Kathmandu University, Nepal AOTS, and other organizations, community and groups.

Prof. Chapagain has received various prestigious national awards and international awards like Asia Pacific Quality Organization (APQO) presidential award and life time achievement award from World Council for Total Quality and Excellence in Education (WCTQEE) for his work. His book Introduction of Quality Control Circles in Nepali language was written for the first time by him and published by Nepal AOTS in 1998.

### + Working with Japanese in Nepal

Nepal AOTS Alumni Society had Ben-Kyou-Kai meeting on Monday, May 2, 2022 in hybrid mode on the theme of “Working with Japanese in Nepal” by Mr. Hideaki Takada. As, this meeting was organized in blended mode, some of the Nepal AOTS Executives and Members attended physically while others attended online.

Mr. Takada has very long working experience in Nepal since February 2001, including with Hazama Corporation Japan, Japanese Association/Japanese Chamber of Commerce in Nepal (JCCN), with publishing “Investment Guidebook to Nepal, 2014” in collaboration among JCCN/NAAS/GoN and others. During the Meeting, Mr. Takada shared his experience during Construction of Sindhuli Road from 2001 to 2010, about his translation work, and about doing business from Nepal to Japan and mainly about working with Japanese in Nepal.



## 8. TALIM Publication

The 31<sup>st</sup> edition of TALIM is published this year on the occasion of the 32<sup>nd</sup> AGM of Nepal AOTS. This annual publication of Nepal AOTS has been managed by the Digital Media and Publication Committee led by its Coordinator and Joint Secretary Mr. Shiv Bhushan Lal. Nepal AOTS owes its gratitude to timely advice and support provided by its advisors, and special thanks goes to the contributors and well-wishers of Nepal AOTS, and various other organizations which supported the publication of the magazine by providing articles and advertisements. Digital copy of the TALIM is available online at ([https://nepalaots.org.np/talim&my\\_id=298](https://nepalaots.org.np/talim&my_id=298)).

## 9. Training Programmes

During the 31-year period from 1991 to 2022, Nepal AOTS has provided training to hundreds of senior and mid-career management personnel in various fields in Japan.

In addition to this, Nepal AOTS has provided training to thousands of Nepali human resources at different times while the members of this organization are voluntarily involved in the activities and programmes organized by the organization.

Generally, Nepal AOTS conducts 3 types of trainings. First one is to send qualified person to Japan (for cost sharing training and scholarship programme), second is to conduct training in Nepal with the help of AOTS Japan (including WNF Committee) and the last one is to conduct training in Nepal by Nepali resource person (generally, Nepal AOTS Member).

As the whole world is suffered by COVID-19 and it is not possible to conduct face-to-face trainings, we are conducting training virtually. During the period, following training programmes are completed till now.

### A. Virtual Trainings – by AOTS Japan

AOTS, Japan has started to conduct a series of webinars subsidized by Japanese Government in absence of overseas training programme conducted with in person participation in Japan due to global pandemic. Accordingly, the following AOTS Webinars have been concluded from August 2021 to March 2022.

S.N.	Programme Name	Date	Sel.	Sel.	Attn.
1	Transform your Business management AI/ IoT [KROP01]	2021: Aug 4 & 20	57	56	51
2	Transform Your Business Management Using AI/IoT [KROP02]	2021: Oct 6 & 22	12	12	11
3	Program for Women Leaders Aiming for Further Growth amid COVID-19 [KROP03]	2021: Aug 17, 18 & 19	6	4	4
4	For continuous 5S and Kaizen that you can successively develop [KROP05]	2021: Sept 15	25	25	20
5	Corporate Revitalization by Practical Actions [KROP08]	2021: Nov 11, 12, 23 & 26	2	1	1
6	Shaping the Future through Business Transformation in the Post COVID-19 Era [KROP09]	2021: Oct 25	6	6	6
7	The Training Program on Strategic Management across Cultures in the Post COVID-19 Era [KROP10]	2021: Nov 18, 25, Dec 2 & 9	3	3	3
8	Program for Women Leader: Aiming for Further Growth amid COVID-19 [KROP12]	2021: Dec 3, 6 & 7	3	3	3
9	Leadership Management in the VUCA Era: For Middle and those who are expected to be Leaders [KROP13]	2021: Dec 13	14	14	6
10	Leadership Management Training in the VUCA Era: For Executives and Senior Managers [KROP14]	2021: Dec 20	3	3	3

11	Innovative Cost Reduction Approach from Japan (MFCA): Challenge to Low Cost Kaizen [KROP15]	2021: Nov 30	9	9	7
12	Quality Control Training Seminar [KROP20]	2022: Jan 21	8	8	6
13	Leadership and Subordinate Development for Managers [KROP21]	2022: Jan 25, Feb 8 & 22	6	5	5
14	Project Management in a New Era, Practical Training for Enhancing Your Skills and Knowledge Drastically [KROP22]	2022: Jan 21, 26 & 27	10	2	1
15	Next Generation Leadership Based on Empathy and Co-creation in the Post COVID-19 Era [KROP26]	2022: Feb 15	13	13	11
16	Kaizen: Productivity Enhancement from Workplace [KROP28]	2022: Feb 16	11	11	11
17	Learning from Japan's Long-lived Companies For Sustainable Business Succession and Innovation [KROP29]	2022: Mar 4	4	4	4
18	Training Seminar for Behavior Change [KROP30]	2022: Feb 15, 16, 21 & 22	3	3	3
19	Executive Program on Corporate Management (EPCM) [KROP33]	2022: Feb 25, Mar 1, 2 & 3	2	2	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>197</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>157</b>

Rec – Recommended, Sel – Selected, Attn - Attended

Likewise, following three trainings are already announced for August and September 2022, and other programmes will be announced soon.

S.N	Programme Name	Date	Recommended
1	Project Management in a New Era, Practical Training for Enhancing your Skills and Knowledge Drastically [KROP01]	2022: Aug 29, 30 & 31	2
2	Business strategy and DX in times of change [KROP02]	2022: Aug 24	2
3	Program for Leaders aiming for Further Growth amid COVID-19 [KROP05]	2022: Sept 6, 7 & 8	Collecting Applications

Furthermore, AI/IoT Fundamental Test Global (AIFTG) certification programme was announced to certify an ability of usage of AI and IoT to inspire corporate reforms and business improvements. Participants after passing the AI/IoT Fundamental Test Global (AIFTG) was awarded a certificate from AI-IoT Promotions Association of Japan (AIPA).

### B. WNF Trainings – by Nepal AOTS

The World Network of Friendship (WNF) was formed with the consensus of all AOTS Alumni Societies during the 5th Convention of AOTS Alumni Societies held in Aichi, Japan in September 1997 with an initial fund made by a personal contribution of 5 million Yen by former AOTS President Mr. Nagaaki Yamamoto. Prior to the formation of WNF, there was the Inter-Alumni Society Resource Exchange Programme. However, the basic guidelines were drawn in the second steering committee meeting held in Dhaka, Bangladesh in November 1998, which was then revised by the WNF Management Committee during the third meeting held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in December 2001.

WNF's mission statement is "The creation of a better world through the ties of friendship and the individuals as well as collective endeavor of our members". To implement this mission, WNF seeks to empower individuals and organizations in developing countries that are committed to the social and economic development of their own communities based upon a belief of self-help and equal-partnership, through human resources development, exchanging information and learning from each other's experiences. With this entire endeavor, WNF programme can be beneficial to the countries in the region and will certainly be an effort to attain the aim stated in the WNF resolution.

For the fiscal year 2021/2022 there were five programmes approved by WNF committee, AOTS Japan. Among five programmes, it was not possible to conduct two programmes due to Covid-19 and other reasons. However, following three programmes were conducted virtually via Zoom and summary report is given below:

S.N	Programme Name	Date	Collaboration with	Supporting AAS
1	Art of Delegation and Empowerment <b>Participants: 61</b>	2021: August 26 & 27	Nepal Pharmaceuticals Laboratory Pvt. Ltd. (NPL)	AOTS Alumni Society, Delhi (AASD), India
2	Mastering the Art of Decision Making <b>Participants: 103</b>	2021: Oct 31 & Nov 1	Association of Pharmaceutical Producers of Nepal (APPON)	ABK - AOTS DOSOKAI, Tamilnadu Centre, India

3	How to Improve Employee Engagement in Your Organization <b>Participants: 181</b>	2021: Mar 4,5 & 6	Development Bankers Association Nepal (DBAN) and Banking & Insurance Management (BIM)	Japan Sri Lanka Technical and Cultural Association (JASTECA), Sri Lanka
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### C. Virtual Trainings – by Other AOTS Alumni Societies (AAS)

During the period, Nepal AOTS sent Nepalese participants on the webinar/virtual training Programmes organised by other AOTS Alumni Societies (AAS) in the region as below:

S.N	Programme Name	Date	No.	AAS Name
1	Upskilling for Human Resource Management	2021: August 24, 25, 26, 30 & 31	26	Alumni Society of AOTS Kerala, India
2	Maximising Productivity & Quality – A Productive Maintenance Approach” (PQPA)	2021: Sept 14, 15, 16, 20 & 21	32	Alumni Society of AOTS Kerala, India
3	Developing New Initiatives using Lean Business Model	2021: Oct 18, 19 & 20	9	AOTS Alumni Society of Mongolia
4	Upskilling for Human Resource Management” (UHRM)	2022: Julsy 5, 6,7,11 & 12	13	Alumni Society of AOTS Kerala, India

### D. Other Training Programmes – By ICOSA Japan

Team of International Cooperation Organization for Small and Medium Enterprises in Asia (ICOSA) was planning to visit Nepal by the end of 2020. This trip couldn't be materialized due to the global COVID-19 pandemic and we are rescheduling that in 2022 again.



Under these circumstances, ICOSA started series of web-based seminars (Webinars) during the period, and starting from 12 June last year, 15 webinars successfully conducted on the theme of “Unique SME Owners”.

As per the original plan, webinars were centered on interviews with the owners of independent SMEs working hard in various parts of Japan and one in three discussion sessions conducted by panelists from Japan and overseas.

Nepal AOTS decided to send at least three participants for each webinar paying fees - JPY 2500 per participants for half a year though it was waived by ICOSA lately. In average, there were 4 participants on each webinar from Nepal including Nepal AOTS Executive Committee Members and General Members.

## 10. Other Activities

### A. ICOSA-Exchange Program with Nepalese SMEs

International Cooperation Organization for Small & Medium Enterprises in Asia- (ICOSA) is conducting a virtual exchange program with managers and owners of SMEs in Nepal, through Nepal AOTS, scheduled on 20 August 2022, Saturday from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm (NST).

Nepal AOTS has selected three different SMEs amongst their members’ network- each one of them representing different industry and serving different type of products and each company is considered as one of the best in Nepal in their represented field.

**Sitaram Gokul Milks Pvt. Ltd** - representing the dairy industry, **Nepal Pharmaceuticals** - manufacturer of live saving drugs and represents the pharmaceutical industry and **Temple Tiger Group of Companies** - representing tourism and hospitality industry will share their experience through the virtual platform on the topic “Experience of Nepalese SMEs during and after COVID”.

Regarding the brief activities of ICOSA- it aims for Asian SMEs to take a leading role in the development of the Asian economy through mutual cooperation. Through such experience sharing programs ICOSA helps SMEs to build base for their HR development and improvement of their managerial abilities through exchange of meaningful ideas and information and learn from each other’s experience through experience sharing programs.

Furthermore, ICOSA also encourages Asian SMEs to match their strong points and develop new businesses and new market through their relationship network.

### B. Meeting with the Ambassador of Japan for Nepal

Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha, Immediate Past President and Advisor - Mr. Mahesh Kumar Nakarmi and Advisors – Ms. Amira Dali and Mr. Ramesh Man Singh met with His Excellency Mr. Yutaka Kikuta, Ambassador of Japan for Nepal on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at the Ambassador's residence.

During the meeting, Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha welcomed His Excellency in Nepal and presented Foreign Investment Guide Book published in Japanese Language by Nepal AOTS to help Japanese investors. Also, it was discussed about the Nepal AOTS activities to strengthen Nepal-Japan relationship and expressed Nepal AOTS hope for the continual support for Embassy of Japan in Nepal for the future activities.

Ms. Miyuki Ishida - First Secretary, Economic Cooperation, Embassy of Japan and Ms. Sayuri Naito – Researcher/Advisor, Embassy of Japan were also present in the lunch meeting.



### C. Meeting with the JICA Consultants



Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha, Advisor – Ms. Amira Dali, First Vice President - Mr. Kishore Bhakta Mathema and General Secretary – Mr. Narayan Thapa met JICA consultants Mr. Shinichi MORI and Ms. Akiko Nishibuchi on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at YTG (Yamamoto Talim Ghar), Nepal AOTS Secretariat.

JICA is formulating a new technical cooperation project named, “Project on Career Development and Entrepreneurship Support Program for International Migrants” in order to support Nepali returnee migrant workers from Japan.

During the meeting, it was discussed about the project including possible way for Nepal AOTS to become an important partner in implementing the project

### D. Bhotechaur Visit to Monitor Community Health Center in Sindhupalchowk

Nepal AOTS Immediate Past President and Advisor - Mr. Mahesh Kumar Nakarmi along with Former Second Vice President Mr. Ashok Aryal visited Community Health Center, Bhotechaur in Sindhupalchowk on Sunday, March 20, 2022.

Nepal AOTS had, earlier in 2017, through its Earthquake Relief Fund, built a pre-fabricated two room X-Ray building for Rural Community Health Service Center (RHSC), which was severely damaged by the earthquake of 25 April 2015. After the inauguration of the building by the then His Excellency, the Ambassador of Japan for Nepal, Mr. Masashi Ogawa on 27 March, 2017, Nepal AOTS requested for upgrading the health center through Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) of the Government of Japan. The request was accepted, and accordingly, an agreement was signed between the Embassy of Japan and RCHSC on 21 February 2018 for the Project for the Installation of Medical Equipment for the Community Health Center funded under GGP amounting to USD 32,708.



Later on, it was not possible to have Handover ceremony because of the Covid-19, and was not possible to go to the site for the same, this monitoring visit planned and Ms. Yumiko Usui - GGP Coordinator, Embassy of Japan was also present in the visit.

### E. Welcome Program for Ms. Miyuki Ishida and Ms. Sayuri Naito

Nepal AOTS organized a welcome programme for Ms. Miyuki Ishida - First Secretary, Economic Cooperation, Embassy of Japan and Ms. Sayuri Naito – Researcher/Advisor, Embassy of Japan on Friday, April 29, 2022 at YTG (Yamamoto Talim Ghar), Nepal AOTS Secretariat.

In the welcome programme, Nepal AOTS President, Advisors, executive committee members and founding Vice President Mr. Bishnu Sharma were present.

### F. Inauguration Ceremony of CFC Hospital's New Pathology Lab

Nepal AOTS Alumni Society (Nepal AOTS) President Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha attended the inauguration ceremony of CFC Hospital's New Pathology Lab with new lab equipment under assistance of Bagmati Pradesh Infrastructure Development Program and from other organization.

Nepal AOTS contributed Finicare III Plus analyzer (1 set), D-Dimer Rapid Quantitative Test (4 Box), CRP Rapid Quantitative Test (1 Box), MAU Rapid Quantitative Test (1 Box) and HBA1C Rapid Quantitative Test (3 Box) worth NPR 4, 28,462.10 on June 28, 2021. This fund was collected from various donors including Nepal AOTS members, advisors and executive committee members.



CFC Hospital's New Pathology Lab was inaugurated by Honorable Basanta Manandhar, Member of Parliament, Bagmati Pradesh on October 30, 2021.

### G. Official Visit from CAAS and BAAS



Nepal AOTS Alumni Society welcomed Mr. Mohammed Sharifur Rahman, and Mr. Md. Enamul Haque at Nepal AOTS Secretariat on Wednesday, June 29, 2022. Mr. Mohammed Sharifur Rahman is the General Manager (Marketing & Sales), Albion Laboratories Ltd., Chattogram, Bangladesh and an Executive Committee Member of Chattogram AOTS Alumni Society (CAAS). Similarly, Mr. Md. Enamul Haque is the Chief Executive Officer, Root Bangladesh and General Member of CAAS.

Furthermore, Nepal AOTS Alumni Society welcomed Mr. Saumitra Kumar Mutsuddi, Head of Corporate Affairs, BSRM Group of Companies and General Member of Bangladesh AOTS Alumni Society (BAAS) at Nepal AOTS Secretariat on Tuesday, May 03, 2022.

During the visit, Nepal AOTS held an interaction meeting with three of them. Nepal AOTS Advisors, Executive Committee Members and active members were present in the meeting. Both Mr. Rahaman and Mr. Haque shared their experience visiting Kathmandu and Pokhara and informed their purpose of visit to gather the data and status of Nepalese market for their business expansion in the Nepalese Market.



### H. Other Participations

- ✚ Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha, Immediate Past President and Advisor - Mr. Mahesh Kumar Nakarmi and Advisor – Ms. Amira Dali, First Vice President – Mr. Kishore Bhakta Mathema and General Secretary – Mr. Narayan Thapa participated at the opening ceremony of the exhibition of “Photographic Images and Matter, Japanese Prints of the 1970s” on Friday, July 22, 2022 at Embassy of Japan, Panipokhari. According to the Embassy of Japan, exhibition focuses on print expressions from the 1970s as seen in the work of 14 artists who helped develop a print movement in the world of Japanese contemporary art.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President - Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha attended the Love Green Nepal's 30 years Establishment on June 26, 2022.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha attended “Meet & Greet” programme of Hokkaido Nepal Business Group (HNBG) on May 27, 2022.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President – Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha, Advisor and Immediate Past President – Mr. Mahesh Kumar Nakarmi, and General Secretary – Mr. Narayan Thapa joined 48<sup>th</sup> annual function of JICA Alumni Association of Nepal (JAAN) to congratulate JAAN officials for their wonderful journey and for Japan – Southwest Asia Exchange Year Celebration on April 16, 2022.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President - Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha attended 5<sup>th</sup> Organic and Natural Agriculture Exhibition jointly organised by Organic Association Nepal and Kanchanjunga Tea Estate on April 14, 2022.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President - Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha attended and delivered speech on the Annual Program of Japanese University Alumni Association Nepal (JUAAN) on March 12, 2022. Nepal AOTS Advisor - Ms. Amira Dali was also present on the program.
- ✚ Nepal AOTS President - Mr. Prashant Lal Shrestha, Immediate Past President and Advisor - Mr. Mahesh Kumar Nakarmi and Advisor - Ms. Amira Dali attended Ben-Kyou-Kai program organized by Japanese University Alumni Association Nepal (JUAAN) on December 27, 2021.



Thank you!

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