



NEPAL CLIMATE UPDATE

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Editors' Summary

This issue has summarized good news in the sense that the fragile ecology of the Chure hill drew government's attention for its conservation but tea-talks only is not enough. Climate change issues have become the centerfold once again as Nepal is getting financial assistance for mitigating climate change impacts. Furthermore, we are excited to know Yeti Airlines launching green project: tree plantation, indeed a benchmark for everyone to protect environment and community forests getting reward for reducing carbon emission set a good example. In contrast, too much rain and scanty rain both seem to be danger.

Enjoy reading!

Editors

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Integrated approach: a quest for implementation

The President Chure Preservation Programme has been hyped by the government to conserve the fragile Chure hill. The programme aims to check the trend of desertification in the Chure area embracing its livelihood problems as well as paying attention to extraction of rare herbs. In addition, the government plans to implement national adaptation programme to minimize the impacts of climate change keeping an eye for taking credit from carbon trade application.

July 3

The Rising Nepal

Airlines towards Green Project

Yeti Airlines Domestic (P) Limited has launched its Green project at Bindrapuri Madhyapur Community Forest of Khushalpur in Bardia district aiming to plant tree sapling totaling 100,000 trees in community forests in the Far-western region of Nepal. Under this project, the saplings are planted in every passenger that flies with Yeti Airlines on Kathmandu-Nepalgunj or Nepalgunj-Kathmandu and Kathmandu-Dhangadi or Dhangadi-Kathmandu route.

July 3/ July 4

The Rising Nepal/The Himalayan Times

Support to reduce climate change impact

Nepal is about to receive grant and concessional loan from climate change fund for reducing climate change impact in Nepal. It will acquire grant of 50 million US dollar and concessional loan of 30 million US dollar to be paid off after 40 years. However, administrative organization of climate change fund The World Bank in its statement stated that the amount is 110 million dollar.

July 5

Gorkhapatra

Incessant rain sends veggie prices soaring

Prices of major vegetable items such as tomato, cabbage, cauliflower, eggplant, cowpea, bean, gourd and squash in the local market have started skyrocketing. The continuous rainfall which has affected supplies in the market is attributed to the massive upturn in price.

July 6

The Kathmandu Post

Community forest rewarded

Representatives of sixteen community forest users' groups of Kayer Khola watershed area of Chitwan has been rewarded with US\$ 21,905 for reducing emissions through enhancement of carbon stocks by 3,330 tons in one year.

July 13/July14

Nagarik/Kantipur

Scanty rainfall hits farmers

Paddy plantation has been affected in Banke district owing to scanty rainfall. Only 15% of the total paddy plantation has been completed in the district.

July 14

The Kathmandu Post & The Rising Nepal

Call for proposals 2011-2012

IDRC's Graduate Research Awards on Climate Change and Water

Deadline: Thursday, September 1, 2011 (before 4:00pm Ottawa time)

Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC) supports research for developing country graduate students: A maximum of seven awards, each with a maximum value of CA\$15,000, are available in 2011-2012 for master's or doctoral program

Source:

<http://www.idrc.ca/EN/Funding/Competitions/Pages/CompetitionDetails.aspx?CompetitionID=15>

Call for papers

National Conference on Water, Food Security and Climate Change (CC) in Nepal
November, 2011

Organized by: International Water Management Institute (IWMI), CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture, and Food Security (CCAFS), Department of Irrigation (DoI), International Network on Participatory Irrigation Management (INPIM), and Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC)

Deadlines for Submission:

Abstract Submission: 15 July 2011

Notification of Abstract Selection: 15 August 2011

Submission of Full Text Paper: 15 September 2011

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