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Ambassador to USA in NATTA Secretariat

NATTA Executive Board had a meeting with newly appointed Ambassador to USA Dr. Arjun Karki on 5th April 2015 at NATTA Secretariat. President D. B Limbu welcomed His Excellency with Khada and lapel pin. During the meeting, various ideas were exchanged on how to make most out of the existing potential that Nepal has in tourism and on the promotion of Nepal in cross Atlantic Region. H.E Dr. Karki assured to support the travel trade sector and requested to come up with the proposals that can be worked out in promoting tourism of Nepal.



NATTA meet National Planning Commission



NATTA regarding the setting up of Tourist Bus Terminal in Kathmandu metropolis and few other major urban centres of Nepal. Hon'ble Dr. Adhikari looks after the tourism sector (infrastructure and tourism planning) in the National Planning Commission. Dr. Adhikari expressed his opinion that building up of tourism infrastructure should be done in partnership with private sector and regretted that there has been no data available about the investment figure of private sector. Private sector's contribution to national GDP stands at 2.2% whereas public sector's investment in tourism figures out as 2.4%. This is a paradox we need to look into, he said. Hon'ble Dr. Adhikari has assured NATTA that he himself has taken a serious note of the need of having Tourists Bus Terminal in Kathmandu and will expedite the issue in conjunction with all concerned in the government.

REMINDER NOTICE TO ALL IATA ACCREDITED AGENTS

Pay your IATA BSP Link Fees through NATTA

As the payment deadline for BSP Link fees (Jan - Jun 2015) is approaching nearer, we request all our valued IATA accredited members to pay the fees through NATTA by sending the payment in NPR to NATTA Secretariat by 15th April 2015.

If you require any further information, kindly contact NATTA Secretariat.

REQUEST TO GATHER

All Members are requested to gather at Gaurighat—Jambodanda to mark the 100th week of Bagmati Cleaning Campaign on Saturday, 28th Chaitra 2071 at 7:00 am along with all staffers.

Let us exhibit our solidarity.



Welcome to New Members

NATTA welcomes six travel companies as NATTA Members. President D.B Limbu handed over the certificates with related documents. Executive Board Members also expressed their best wishes and welcomed the new members at the 54th and 55th Board meetings. The new Members are:

- Hamro Holidays Pvt. Ltd.
- Yeti Express Pvt. Ltd.
- Travel Corporation Nepal Pvt. Ltd.
- Gaama Travel & Tour Pvt. Ltd.
- Dolcevita Travels Pvt. Ltd.
- Appointment Travels & Tours Pvt. Ltd.



NATTA PRIVILEGE CARD

Much coveted NATTA Privilege Cards are in the offing on the happy occasion of New Year 2072 B.S.

Wishing all our valued Members HAPPY NEW YEAR 2072!!!

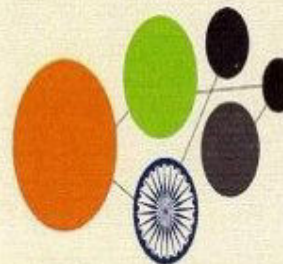
PRESS RELEASE BY NATTA AND JTCC

NATTA and JTCC released a press statement urging the Three Day Bandh callers to withdraw immediately. The concern has been shown jointly by NATTA and more than 50 members of JTCC. The statement said that the Bandh is sure to bring crisis and damage the economy and the crawling Democracy.

Due to the announcement of the Bandh, various international tourists had already cancelled their tours.

NATTA and JTCC strongly urged all political parties to make renewed efforts to negotiate in good faith and make the necessary concessions to bring about a successful conclusion to the present crisis.

FREE REGISTRATION



Global Exhibition on Services

23 - 25 April 2015, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India

Inauguration by Shri Narendra Modi,
Prime Minister of India
For Further information and Registration, please
contact NATTA Secretariat

CAPTURED SNAP



Kids fetching firewood from the Raniban jungle near Chhorepatan of Pokhara.



Devotees sink the chariot of Tudhadevi in Gahanapokhari, celebrating the festival of searching jewelries at Handigaun, KTM.

Sub-panel set up to resolve crisis at NTB

An emergency board meeting of the NTB on Monday decided to form a five-member

sub-committee amid fears that death of top executives in the wake of the recent corruption scam could affect the day-to-day activities at the country's tourism promotional body. The Commission for Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA) had charged 23 incumbent and former NTB officials with policy and institutional corruption. It has created a vacuum at the organization as 10 executives, including two senior directors, were automatically suspended following the CIAA move.

According to Ghanendra Shrestha, a board member representing the private sector, the sub-committee was formed under Rajendra Sapkota, another board member from the private sector, as an interim measures to fill the void at the NTB. Two other members represent the government sector, with a joint-secretary at the Tourism Ministry being named a member-secretary at the board. The committee would recommend the government to induct professional and skilled manpower at the board as a stop-gap measure. The meeting also decided to appoint another joint-secretary from the ministry as an administrator, Shrestha said. Once the proposal is endorsed, the sub-committee would recommend the number of people required to manage the ongoing understaffing crisis at the board. The decision has been made as per the NTB Act 2053 (1997) and the aspiration of public private partnership model, Shrestha said. The NTB, charged with promoting Nepal's tourism in the national and international arenas, has been stumbling along without its head since the then CEO Prachanda Man Shrestha's tenure expired on Oct 31, 2011.

श्रीलंकन एयरले कोलम्बो-काठमाडौं जोड्दै

कान्तिपुर संवाददाता

काठमाडौं - ७० प्रतिशत बृद्ध धर्मावलम्बी रहेको श्रीलंकाको राष्ट्रिय छत्रा वाहाक विमान श्रीलंकन एयरलायन्सले दुई महिनापछि काठमाडौं-कोलम्बो सीधा उडान गर्ने भएको छ।

नागरिक उड्डयन प्राधिकरणका अनुसार उडानका लागि अनुमति दिइसकिएको छ। यो एयरले असार १ गते पहिलो उडान भर्दै छ। उडान तालिका सार्वजनिक हुन मात्रै बाँकी छ। स्लट लिइसकेको प्राधिकरणका एक अधिकारीले भने। उनका अनुसार यस विमानले सातामा ३ दिन उडान गर्ने प्रारम्भिक जानकारी दिएको छ। हाल यो विमानस्थलबाट २६ कम्पनीले अन्तर्राष्ट्रिय उडान भर्दै आएका छन्। यो विमानसंगसगै बंगलादेशको रिजेन्ट एयरवेजले पनि ढाका-काठमाडौं उडान गर्ने लागेको छ।

प्यासिफिक एसिया टुभल एसोसिएसन (पाटा) का नेपाल च्याप्टरका अध्यक्ष सुमन पाण्डेले यो सीधा उडानले सबैभन्दा धेरै पर्यटन क्षेत्रमा योगदान पुग्नेछ। 'श्रीलंकमा धेरै बृद्ध धर्मावलम्बी छन्,' उनले भने, 'उनीहरूको पहिलो रोजाइमा लुम्बिनी हो। यो उडानले लुम्बिनीमा पर्यटक बढाउनेछ।'

समुद्रले घेरिएको मुलुकमा बसोबास गरिरहेका नागरिकहरूलाई हिमाली देशको भ्रमण गराउन पनि यसले मद्दत पुऱ्याउनेछ। त्यसैगरी नेपालबाट युरोप अमेरिका, जापान,



अस्ट्रेलियालगायत मुलुक जान चाहनेका लागि पनि सजिलो हुनेछ किनकि यस विमानले ६१ वटा गन्तव्यमा उडान भरिरहेको छ। हाल श्रीलंकाबाट सोभै उडान नभएकाले कैक, सिंगापुर, दोहो हुँदै यात्रुहरू कोलम्बो उडान गर्दै आएका छन्।

श्रीलंकनअधि नेपाल वायु सेवा निगमले कोलम्बो उडान गर्दै आएको थियो। तर एक दशकअघि नै यो सेवा बन्द भइसकेको छ। त्यसैगरी यात्रु अभावकै कारण पाकिस्तान एयरलायन्स र बंगलादेशको युनाइटेड एयरवेजले काठमाडौं उडान स्वगन गरेका छन्। पाकिस्तान

एयरले सातामा चार र युनाइटेडले ७ उडान भर्दै आएका थिए।

हाल सबैभन्दा धेरै काठमाडौं उडान गर्नेमा चीन र भारतका विमान कम्पनी छन्। चीनबाट एयर चाइना, चाइना इस्टर्न, चाइना साउदर्न र सिन्नुवान एयरलायन्सले ल्हासा, कुर्नामिड, गोनजाव, छेइद्बाट उडान भरिरहेका छन्। भारतीय कम्पनीहरू स्माइसजेट, इन्डिगो, जेट र इन्डियन एयरलायन्सले पनि मुम्बई, दिल्ली, कलकता र वाराणसी बाट उडान भरिरहेका छन्। हाल काठमाडौंबाट दैनिक सरदर आउने र जाने गरी ८० अन्तर्राष्ट्रिय उडान हुँदै आएका छन्।

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10+1 Most Interesting Facts About Nepal Which Amaze Everyone**1. Most and Major Part Of Himalayas Mountains Is In Nepal**

There are eight of top 10 world's highest or tallest peak in the world are in this small country Nepal.

**2. Nepal Was Always Independent Country in the World.**

Nepal is a such country in the world, which was never been under any foreign invasion. It is also proved that this small landlocked country, Nepal is also the oldest country in South Asia.

3. The Only One Non-Rectangular National Flag in the World is belongs to Nepal

Nepal has unique national flag in the world. The only one non-rectangular national flag in the world is of Nepal. It is proved in the history of Nepal that the basic design of this National flag of Nepal is over 2000 years old.

**4. Nepal Is The Birthplace Of Lord Siddhartha Gautam Buddha**

Siddhartha Gautam (Buddha) was born in Nepal. Lumbini lies in southern part of Nepal in the Kapilvastu districts. Lumbini, Lord Buddha is symbolized as Peace. He is also said the light of Asia.

5. Devi Kumari, The Only Living Goddess In The World In Nepal

The only Living Goddess in the world, Kumari Devi, 'Living Goddess". Here is the culture and tradition of worshiping young pre-pubescent girls as manifestations of the divine female energy or Devi in Nepalese Hindu and Buddhism culture.

**6. Nepal Gurkhas Have Been Part Of The British Army Since 1815**

"Better to die than be a coward" is been always, the motto of the Nepalese Gurkha soldiers. Nepalese Gurkha soldiers are an integral part of the British Army since 1815.

7. Nepal Beholds A Number Of World Records Which Makes A High Profile For This Small Landlocked Country

Nepal beholds a number of world records which makes a high profile for this Landlocked Asian country. Some world records as:

- >>Mount Everest, the highest peak 88848 m, in the world.
- >>Tilicho Tal (lake), the highest lake on the earth at the height of 4800m.

8. Nepal is known as Harmony country in the name of Religion and Ethnic Riot.

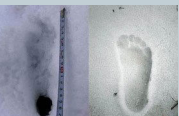
This another amazing facts about Nepal that until now, not even a single drop of blood has ever been shed in this harmonious country Nepal in the name of religion and ethnic riot. It's a true lesson for the whole world to learn from Nepali people who behold the best practice and feeling for Unity and Patriotism.

9. Nepal Has Over 92 Ethnic Groups And 135 Languages.

Nepal has only 147,181 square kilometers geographical land area but it has over 92 ethnic group and 135 language.

10: Diversification of Wildlife in Nepal

There is wide diversification of wildlife in Nepal. Himalayan country Nepal has a large variety of wildlife or plants and animals. There are over 900 bird species, 400 species of vascular plants, 181 mammal species like Bengal fox, Bengal tiger, clouded leopard, one horned rhinoceros, marbled cat, red panda, snow leopard.

**11. Footprint of Snow Man (Yeti) is noticed in the Northern Part of Nepal.**

Footprint of Snow Man which is called Yeti is noticed in the Himalayas of Nepal. Scientists have noticed the footprints of Yeti in Himalayan region of Nepal. But it is still not proven completely.

Nepal Association of Tour and Travel Agents

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