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## NATTA DELEGATES MEET NRB GOVERNOR

A five-member delegation of NATTA called on the Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank Dr. Chiranjibi Nepal on Thursday, the 09<sup>th</sup> July, 2015 and apprised him of a few problems faced by NATTA members which could be easily solved by NRB



through its fiscal policy. The suggestions to solve the problems cited by NATTA included provision of exchange facility to the Indian nationals visiting Mansarovar Kailash to settle the invoice of the Tibetan tour operators in terms of dollars. Secondly, the delegation suggested removing the dual currency system in IATA payment by allowing the agents to make all the payments in NPR. Thirdly, the Bank Guarantee payable to NRB for foreign exchange facility should be made timely.

NATTA delegation to NRB was led by President D.B. Limbu and it included Secy. General Mihika Dhakhwa, Treasurer Mr. Narayan Gurung Koney, Secretary Mr. Ramesh Thapa and CEO Prof. Hari Sarmah.

“The travel and tourism industry, it's just a huge part of our economy.

**Karen Hughes”**

“Tourism is the biggest industry in the world.

**Martin Parr”**

## NATTA SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

NATTA is proud to inform its members that the National Tourism Promotion Committee formed under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation has upheld the NATTA suggestions for implementation for the

rapid recovery of current national tourism scenario. The suggestions were put up at various forums including at the meetings of Tourism Recovery Committee (TRC).

Few of our suggestions that are included: exemption of VAT on

aviation fuel, slash the ground handling cost at TIA, decrease the landing cost at TIA and extension of loan recovery deadline for the tourism sector by a year and expedite the construction of alternative international airports.

### NRB's Interaction Program

Nepal Rastra Bank organized the interaction regarding the upcoming monetary policy on Friday, the 3rd July at Hotel Yak and Yeti.

The major agenda of the interaction program was to collect the suggestions from the stakeholders for the coming fiscal year 2072/73.

President D.B Limbu and First Vice President Shambhu Raj Pathak participated in the interaction representing NATTA.

#### INVITING ARTICLES FOR NATTA SOUVENIR - 2015

NATTA is going to host its biennial event 20th NATTA Convention and 06th NATTA Special Program–Carnival 2015 on 25th September this year in Kathmandu with the theme “Building Better Tourism with Renewed Strength”. As per the tradition NATTA publishes a Souvenir on the occasion to mark the event and distribute the same to all

the participants including the delegates from various countries and all the invitees from the tourism fraternity.

NATTA Members with facile pen are herby requested to kindly ink out their ideas and feeling on tourism issues focusing on the given theme and email the same to NATTA Secretariat at [nat-ta@mail.com.np](mailto:nat-ta@mail.com.np) or

[mediacentre@natta.org.np](mailto:mediacentre@natta.org.np)

Articles for the Souvenir must not exceed the word limitation of 2000 and should be in typed form in English with double space.

The deadline for the submission of articles is 03rd August 2015. The articles selected by the Editorial Board will be published in the NATTA Souvenir.



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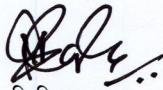
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### हार्दिक अपील

नेपाल वैदेशिक रोजगार व्यवसायी संघले यही २०७२/३/२३ देखि अनिश्चितकालका लागि वैदेशिक रोजगार व्यवसाय बन्द गरी आन्दोलनमा उत्रेको समाचार सार्वजनिक भै सकेको संदर्भमा नेपाल एशोसिएसन अफ टूर एण्ड ट्राभल एजेन्ट्स (नाट्टा) को ध्यानाकर्षण भएको छ र आज बसेको नाट्टाको आकस्मिक भेलाले उक्त आन्दोलन प्रति आफ्नो नैतिक समर्थन रहेको निक्कै निकालेको छ ।

नेपाल सरकारले जुन आशयबाट नेपाली कामदारलाई निःशुल्क भिषा र हवाई टिकटमा वैदेशिक रोजगारीमा पठाउनु पर्ने निर्णय गरेको छ, त्यो निश्चय पनि अत्यन्तै सराहनीय कदम रहेको नाट्टाको धारणा रहँदा रहँदै पनि सम्पूर्ण रोजगार प्रदायक मुलुकहरूसँग द्विपक्षीय समझदारी नभै उपरोक्त व्यवस्था लागू गरिँदा वैदेशिक रोजगारीमा लगाएत ट्राभल व्यवसायमा पर्न जाने असर निश्चित देखिन्छ । तसर्थ, नेपाल सरकारले हालको वैदेशिक रोजगारीका माध्यमबाट धेरै हदसम्म टेवा पुगी रहेको मुलुकको संवेदनशील अर्थतन्त्रलाई मध्यनजर राख्दै उपरोक्त सम्बन्धमा नेपाल वैदेशिक रोजगार व्यवसायी संघ संग राष्ट्रको हितलाई सर्वोपरि राख्दै अविलम्ब बैठक बसी आपसी वार्ताका माध्यमबाट समस्याको सहज समाधान पहिल्याउन अग्रसर हुनका लागि नाट्टा नेपाल सरकार तथा नेपाल वैदेशिक रोजगार व्यवसायी संघसंग हार्दिक अपील गर्दछ ।

  
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### नाट्टा सदस्यता स्कीम

नेपाल एजोसिएशन अफ टूर एण्ड ट्राभल एजेन्ट्स (नाट्टा) कार्यसमितिले यही आगामी आर्थिक वर्षका लागि दुईवटा सदस्यता स्कीम प्रारंभ गर्ने भएको व्यहोरा सहषे जानकारी गराउँदछौं।

#### स्कीम-१

नया आर्थिक वर्ष प्रारंभ भएको मितिले दुई महिना भित्रै नाट्टाको सदस्यताका लागि आवेदन गर्ने कम्पनीहरूका लागि नियमित रजिष्ट्रेशन शुल्क भिनाइ गरिने छ।

#### स्कीम-२

विगतका दुई वर्ष सम्म सभको सदस्यता नवीकरण नगरी निलम्बनमा परेका कम्पनीहरूका लागि यही आगामी आर्थिक वर्षको पहिलो दुई महिना भित्र सदस्यता नवीकरण गराउन आवेदन/निवेदन बुझाएमा त्यस्ता कम्पनीहरूलाई कुनै बच जरीवाना नलिई सदस्यता नवीकरण गरि दिने व्यवस्था भिलाइएको छ।

सधन्यवाद,

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## President unveils govt. policy, focus on reconstruction, development and tourism



The Nepal government has given high priority to lead the country ahead on the path of economic development, reconstruction, recovery and new construction following the devastating earthquake of April 25.

President Dr Ram Baran Yadav presented the Government's Policy and Programme for the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 in the special meeting of the Legislature-Parliament with a major focus on reconstruction and economic development.

Presenting the governments annual policy , President Yadav said , “ Reconstruction, conservation and promotion of archeological, historical and cultural heritages will be carried out with priority to develop them as attractive and safe tourist destination by restoring the tourism sector to pre-earthquake condition. ”

“ Pashupati Area will be made more attractive and convenient for tourists by conserving its the religious and cultural significance. Infrastructure development and promotional programmes of Pathivara, Halesi Mahadev, Baraha Kshetra, Ridi, Sahlesh Fulbari, Gadimai, Simaraungadh, Devghat, Muktinath, Manakamana, Swargadwari, Srasthanpanchakoshi, and Badimalika will be carried forward with priority. Art, literature and creation garden will be built along with constructing Siddhartha-Yasodhara monument in Pokhara and integrating it with Buddhist Circuit. ”

He stated, ‘ A campaign will be conducted, through Diplomatic Mission and non-resident Nepalese, to disseminate information about the actual situation in the aftermath of the earthquake that most of the heritages are safe and it is also safe to visit Nepal. Promotion and marketing of tourism sites of Nepal will be carried out in the international market including in neighboring countries-China and India.’

‘ Capacity expansion and services and facilities of Tribhuvan International Airport will be upgraded according to international standards. To minimize the air traffic at this airport, domestic air service companies will be encouraged to operate air services designating airports of outside Kathmandu as base stations.’

The President said , 'Along with completing the construction of Gautam Buddha International Airport within the stipulated time, the construction works of Pokhara Regional International Airport will be initiated completing the remaining process. Concluding the acquisition of land and boundary demarcation works, the construction work of Second International Airport at Nijgadh, Bara will be carried forward. The construction works of the airports, whose construction was initiated focusing on different tourism sites, will be completed.'

"Domestic airports will be reclassified taking into account physical infrastructure, air traffic density and future business possibilities. By studying the feasibility of the construction of airports, one airfield will be established in each remote hilly district."

'Addressing the aviation security interest of International Civil Aviation Organization, Nepal's aviation security will be made compatible with international standards. The process of bringing in strategic partners in Nepal Airlines Corporation will be carried forward,' he said.

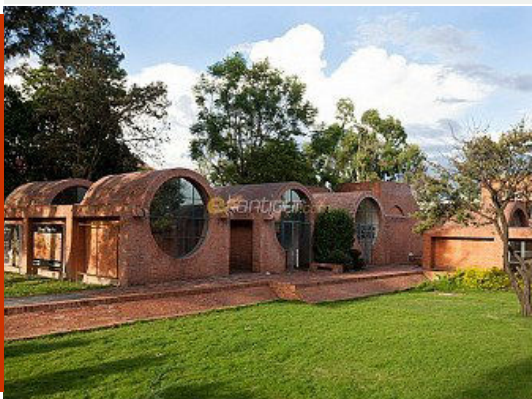


Image of the Taragaun Museum on the premises of Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bouddha, Kathmandu.



A farmer grazes his cattle at a green pasture in Khokana, Lalitpur.



Preserving the Tradition: Hari Bahadur Gandarva, 60, singing as he plays the traditional musical instrument sarangi, in Damauli, Tanahun. Gandarva has been preserving the tradition.

As Nepal picks up the pieces and rebuilds, Nepalis are calling tourists to come visit the country. A social media campaign where tourists in the country are encouraged to hold a placard stating they are in Nepal, is picking up momentum in social media . # stillNepal #stillSmiling



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