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NATTA APPOINTS NEW CEO

3rd December 2017, Mr. Jeev Raj Ghimire has been appointed as new CEO of NATTA. As recommended by CEO Selection Committee, Mr. Ghimire was appointed by 45th Board Meeting.



Mr. Ghimire has more than three decades of experience in Government of Nepal in different capacities like Chief Industry Officer, Under Secretary, Director and Deputy Consul General. He has participated in dozens of national and international trainings, seminars & workshops pertaining industry, commerce and development. Mr. Ghimire is a published writer of some books and articles in different newspapers and magazines.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

1st December 2017, NATTA welcomed new members in its 45th Board Meeting on 1st December 2017. Members were welcomed by President and Executive Committee Members. President Mr. Madhu Sudan Acharya briefed them about NATTA's activities and the upcoming programs.

1. The Everest Holiday Pvt. Ltd.
2. City Connect Travel & Tours Pvt. Ltd.
3. Travel Beyond Pvt. Ltd.
4. Mount Olive Travel & Tours Pvt. Ltd.
5. Ability Travel & Tours Pvt. Ltd.

Newly welcomed members expressed their thankfulness for the warm welcome and expressed their solidarity for the mission of NATTA.



TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING

29th November 2017,

Further to previous meetings on tourist transport rates, another meeting of Transportation Committee was held at NATTA Secretariat on 29th November 2017.

Mr. Ghanshyam Ghimire, Chairman of NATTA Transport & Hotel Coordination Committee coordinated the meeting.

BREIFING OF FITUR 2018

27th November 2017, The first Briefing session was held with participants of FITUR 2018 at NATTA Secretariat on 27th November 2017 as regards to informing participants about the progress on preparations.

The participants were apprised of the Nepal Pavilion details along with the processing of visa. A total of 16 participants have already registered their names and the participation process in collaboration with NTB is in progress. FITUR – 2018 is scheduled from 17th – 21st January, 2018 in Madrid, Spain.

MISS TOURISM WELCOMED

13th November 2017,



NATTA welcomed newly crowned Miss Tourism 2017 pageant holders Ms. Aarati Thapa, Ms. Cristina Shrestha and Ms. Anji Lama at NATTA Secretariat on 13th November 2017.

The pageant holders had an interaction session with the Executive Members of NATTA.

SRI LANKA AND INDIA SALES MISSION

Nepal Association of Tour & Travel Agents (NATTA) in collaboration with Embassy of Sri Lanka in Kathmandu, Nepal Tourism Board (NTB) and Nepal Airlines (NA) is preparing to set out tourism Sales Mission 2017 in Bangalore, India and in Colombo and Kandy, Sri Lanka from 14th to 21st December 2017.

Executive Member, Mr. Ram Kumar Barakoti has been nominated for coordinating the Sri Lanka and India Sales Mission 2017 .

QATAR AIRWAYS INITIATES TO BOOST NEPAL TOURISM

17th November 2017,



Qatar Airways in collaboration with Nepal Tourism Board (NTB) and Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation (MoCTCA) organized an event to promote Nepalese tourism in Nepal on 17th November 2017.

The event was inaugurated by Hon. Jitendra Narayan Dev, Minister of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. In inaugural session, Minister Dev said that non-resident Nepalis could promote tourism in the country by

bringing at least one tourist per NRN Member.

The panelists for the event were Mr. Maheshwor Neupane, Secretary, MoCTCA, Mr. Madhu Sudan Acharya, President, NATTA, Prof Tim Gocher, CEO of Dolma Impact Fund and President of Dolma Foundation, Mr. Upaul Majumdar, General Manager, Soaltee Crowne Plaza, Ms. Jyotshna Shrestha, Chairperson, Tourism and Aviation Committee, FNCCI; Mr. Deepak Raj Joshi, CEO, NTB, Mr. Yubaraj Ghimire. Senior Journalist and Editor of DeshSanchar.com and Mr. Anil K Shah, CEO, Mega Bank and President of Nepal Bankers' Association. The event was moderated by Mr. Jayprakash Nair, country manager of Qatar Airways.

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NATTA SPECIAL DAY AND GOLDEN JUBILEE VALEDICTORY EVENT

Pursuant to the previous mega event of Inauguration of NATTA Golden Jubilee and XXI Convention, NATTA is organizing NATTA Special Day and Golden Jubilee Valedictory Event to formally sign off the Historic Celebration of the Golden Jubilee on **13th December 2017 at Yak and Yeti Hotel, Kathmandu** on the same theme: "Nepal Tourism: Industry of National Priority".

Right Honorable Vice President of Nepal, Mr. Nanda Bahadur Pun, has kindly consented to grace the event as Chief Guest. This year, there are added new features, apart from Entertainments, like interacting with newly elected Mayors from some representative tourist sites for improving infrastructure and promoting tourism in their respective local levels.

NATTA PAYS TRIBUTE TO FORMER PRESIDENT LATE YP KHANAL

13th November 2017,



NATTA organized a program to pay Tribute to its former President Late Yadav Prasad Khanal on 13th November 2017 on the 13th day since his passing away in Kathmandu. Late Khanal served NATTA as President from 1968 to 1970.

Present in the program were NATTA Executive Committee, former Presidents of NATTA Mr. RM Singh, Mr. Joy Dewan, Mr. Rabi Poudel, Mr. Dhruva Narayan Shreshta, Mr. Ram Kaji Koney and Mr. Arjun Prasad Sharma, Presidents of leading tourism associations like TAAN Mr. Navaraj Dahal and SOTTO Mr. Anil Lama, NTB Board Member Mr. Purna Kunwar, NATO's Vice President Mr. Bikram Pandey,

NATO Secretary General Mr. Amar Bahadur Shahi, NATTA members, tourism entrepreneurs and journalists.



Speaking on the occasion, NATTA President Mr. Madhu Sudan Acharya highlighted Late Khanal's brief biography and his contribution to tourism industry as former President and Advisor. On behalf of former Presidents, Mr. RM Singh shared his knowledge about Late Khanal and his contribution in tourism during the initial period of the formation of NATTA as an umbrella organization. Secretary General of NATTA Mr. Bhim Panta conducted the program and First Vice President Mr. CN Pandey expressed thanks to all the participants.



All the participants observed a minute's silence and paid tribute to Late Khanal by offering flowers at his photo.

