



## Disaster Preparedness Network Nepal (DPNet-Nepal)

Nepal faces varieties of hazards, which combined with the growing population low level of education, preparedness and awareness, has made it one of the highly disaster prone countries in the world. According to UNDP/BCPR study (UNDP-2004), among 200 countries, Nepal stands at 11<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> position respectively with regard to relative vulnerability to earthquake and floods risk. Nepal is exposed to several types of disasters such as floods droughts, cold waves, landslides, earthquakes, wind storms, avalanches, debris flow, Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs), cloudburst, hailstorms, fires, epidemics, lightning (thunderbolts) and ecological hazards. Adverse effects of climate change have already added a new dimension and are a major issue in disaster management in Nepal. A wide range of physiological, geological, ecological, meteorological and demographic factors contribute to the disaster vulnerability of the country. Disasters have been adversely affecting the sustainable development of the nation. Existing disaster management activities in the country are primarily focused on dealing with impact of disasters rather than addressing underlying risk factors.

Thus, a sustained partnership among all concerned organizations, stakeholders and individuals through the forum like DPNet-Nepal, would demonstrate an exemplary model of coordinated comprehensive disaster risk management system in Nepal.

### PROFILE

DPNet-Nepal is a service oriented and nonprofitmaking forum established in 1996 as an independent and loose network of mainly organizations and individuals of both government and non-government sectors and United Nations Agencies involved in disaster management and disaster risk reduction activities in Nepal. The DPNet acquired legal recognition on 8 June 2007 under the Organization Registration Act 2034 BS. The Secretariat of DPNet-Nepal is in the premises of Nepal Red Cross Society, National Headquarters, Kalimati, Kathmandu. Since its establishment in 1996, the Secretariat of DPNet-Nepal has been hosted by NRCS.

### OBJECTIVES

- Enhance co-ordination, co-operation and collaboration among local, national and international stakeholders.
- Enhance and build capacity of the organizations, individuals and concerned stakeholders on disaster risk reduction.
- Advocate for right based approach and inclusion to bring timely change in policy and practice so as to address the issues of disaster management system in Nepal.
- Promote knowledge, research, studies and disseminate data and information for the effective disaster risk reduction.
- Carry out other necessary activities as and when necessary related to disaster management.



The Elected Board Members from the  
7th Annual General Meeting

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2013-15

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| 1. Prof. Dr. Bishal Nath Upreti | Chairperson       |
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| 10. Ms. Rita Dhakal Jayaswal    | Member            |
| 11. Mr. Santosh Sharma          | Member            |



Mr. Umesh Dhakal, Executive Director, NRCS, was  
honored by DPNet-Nepal Award 2020



Nepal Disaster Report 2013 Review Meeting

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership Fee (NPR)

Type	Entry	Annual
Individual	50.00	200.00
Institutions (GOs/NGOs)	100.00	500.00
Institutions (INGOs)	200.00	2500.00
Institutions (Bi/multilateral)	500.00	5000.00
Supportive	500.00	5000.00

## ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

- General Assembly
- Executive Committee
- Secretariat

DPNet-Nepal has established 6 Knowledge Centers on Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction at national and local levels. National level Knowledge Center is at the DPNet-Nepal while the 5 Local Level Centers are in Gorkha, Baglung, Dang, Sarlahi and Kanchanpur.



Disaster Risk Reduction Dialogue



National Symposium on the occasion of the International Day for Disaster Reduction 2013

DPNet-Nepal is a founder member of National Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction Nepal. At present, DPNet-Nepal holds the portfolio of Vice-Chair of the platform in Nepal. The DPNet also serves as the secretariat of National DRR Platform. DPNet-Nepal is also the member of the Steering Committee of Nepal Risk Reduction Consortium (NRRRC).



Nepal Risk Reduction Consortium (NRRRC) Flagship workshop

# Disaster Preparedness Network-Nepal

Different disaster situation in Nepal

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Flood



Fire



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