

Message from President

WNSO, as in the previous years, continues its efforts to facilitate quality education to Nepalese students, and unify all the Nepalese students and youth scattered worldwide.

Consistent audacity generates sense of glorification promoting its networking channels throughout twenty three countries having one common spirit projecting cooperative atmosphere varying on procedure to achieve multiple goals. WNSO-Nepal especially orients on social transformation through advocacy and constant effort for quality education, capacity building, volunteerism, and mobilization of youth.

I would like to convey my special thanks to our unit including all the members, volunteers, coordinating agencies, institutions, colleges, well-wishers and the individuals for their continuous support and contributions towards its tremendous achievements. We are also very much grateful towards WNSO-ICC team, WNSO-UK and all our networking committees for their valuable suggestion and cooperation to enhance its range of responsibility and scope.

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1. Introduction

1.1 About WNSO-Nepal

Worldwide Nepalese Students' Organization Nepal (WNSO-Nepal) was established in 2006 with the ultimate objective of helping students achieve their full potential in the easiest way possible with the regional slogan 'Quality Education is Fundamental Right to Every Citizen'. WNSO believes that the future of country largely depends upon its people's education. Considering the students and youth as the 'future of the nation', this organization is coming at frontline by carrying a mission to lead students for quality education and to enrol them into social transformation. It has exercised since 2005 for few years to make public aware about the organization through various activities. It supports students and has initiated integrated activities to project youth's knowledge and skills to gain better experiences and to provide higher output for nation building. It has been performing activities in various social awareness aspects, and advocacy on contemporary youth issues, education counselling and training to students and youth. It's becoming an esteemed place and placement by its direct and indirect services through its activities. This organization places students at front position of change and dissemination of knowledge for development. Under its uplifting recognition and its services towards beneficiaries, WNSO has extended its motto towards nation building like 'social transformation through better education, volunteerism, capacity building and mobilization of youth. WNSO-Nepal conducts varieties of regular programs and trying to extend its service with institutional development.

1.2 Mission

Initiate global momentums of youth and students to attain prosperous society by advocating and promoting education and social service.

1.3 Goal

Support all students to benefit from quality education with help of students and knowledge workers; which endeavours assure steps for nation building process from wherever they live.

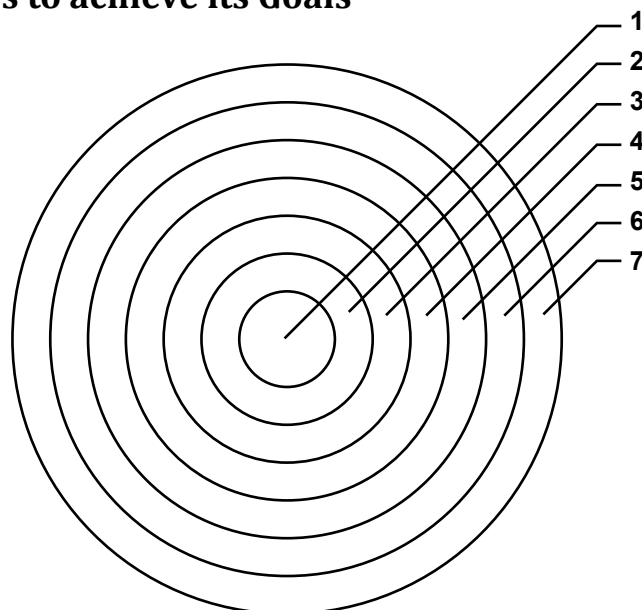
4.4 Vision

WNSO would like to see students, government, educational institutions work together to make education accessible to as many individuals as possible, which is their fundamental right. WNSO hopes to be consulted upon on any educational matter as WNSO is predominantly made up of present and previous students. It can act as a strong platform to express the views and ideas of students from all over the world. WNSO has been addressing various issues mainly education as fundamental right of every citizens. As the organization is growing and gaining momentum, it has expanded its scope from education to capacity building, leadership development, volunteerism and mobilization of youth in nation building.

1.5 Objectives

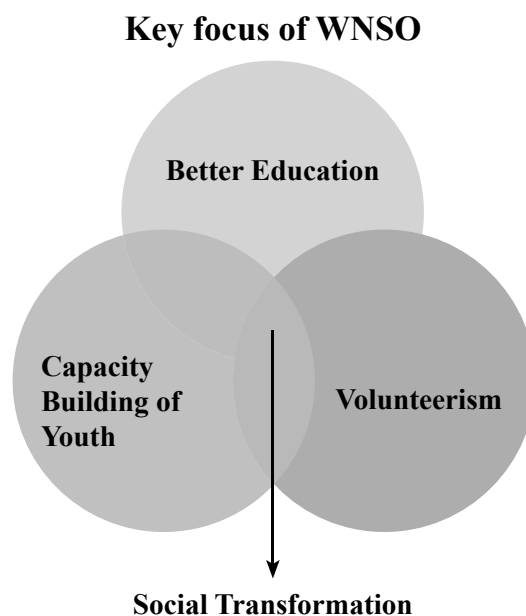
- To create opportunities for poor and needy talented students by providing scholarship and relevant supports in Nepal and Abroad
- To provide reliable educational guidance and career counselling to students and advocating for their right.
- To promote the knowledge sharing establishing the learning centres among pervious and present students for social transformation and development.
- To support the government to secure the better education throughout the nation by creating meeting point for Nepalese students studying around the world.
- To work on various academic, capacity building of youth and social service in association with likeminded organizations.

1.6 WNSO approaches to achieve its Goals



1. Education (i.e. National and International Scholarship, education support and so on)
2. Capacity building of youth
3. Youth counselling, advocacy and campaigning
4. Volunteering and internship opportunity
5. Community services and development
6. Communication and relevant Information to students in regards education system and opportunities to study abroad
7. Partnership and coordination

1.7 WNSO-Nepal organization structure



Working Committees: Scholarship Committee & Volunteer Coordination Committee

Others: Public Relation Committee, Publication Committee, Event Management Committee and Fund Raising Committee

2. Activities

In order to meet the objectives, following programs and events have been carried out during 2006 to 2008. The completed channel of events/activities and their achievement are as follows:

2.1 Scholarships Supports

WNSO has initiated long term and short term scholarship program to ensure the quality education in the form of National and International Scholarship Schemes. Since 2006, WNSO has been providing scholarships opportunity to study at international level. Besides, WNSO-Nepal supports needy school and college students in the form of scholarships through the donations raised from the members and volunteers. This organization is exploring additional opportunities for the students of marginalized groups to provide scholarships in collaboration with private colleges and universities.

WNSO has tried to elaborate large numbers of internal scholarship scheme throughout the country, and external at international level. WNSO is expecting additional supports and collaboration from government of Nepal, like minded organizations and individuals as well. This organization, as a mediator, also leaves space for the individual personalities to satisfy the will-of-contribution by accepting and channelizing the resource for such particular purpose. In this regard, one of our objectives is to make it easy as much possible for every student to achieve their full potential who have been unable to gain education due to social hazards, poor economic condition and communal ignorance regarding education. Without the provision of education, a country will never prosper and develop; hence our organization has determined to uplift the education standard.

2.1.1 WNSO Nepal Internal Scholarships

Students, who are brilliant, facing a real economic crisis, and are from deprived family background, are the primary achievers of WNSO Internal scholarships scheme. This scheme, although seems to be of low monetary support, equally attempts to encourage through high moral support to the target group of students. WNSO Nepal has been initiating to provide scholarships to the needy Nepalese students throughout the country.

A very deprived family background with great talent: Mr .Rajan Kumar Chaudhary of grade IV (Care School, Gaushala Kathmandu), a resident of Saptari district became the second achiever of WNSO



Nepal internal Scholarship Scheme. He was awarded with a education fees support in grade IV with amount of NRs 4500. Further extension of his scholarship depends both on his performance and the availability of financial resources with WNSO-Nepal.

Similarly first internal scholarship was awarded to Govinda Shrestha, inhabitant of Arunkhola, Nawalparasi at school premise in presence of principal, guardian and students. He is an orphan young studying at grade 11 - economically a very weak deserves. He has secured distinction marks in SLC and was unable to pay fees of higher secondary education due of



A glimpse of applicants attending written exam of WNSO-ICON Scholarships programme 2007



Mr. Rajan Chaudhary (Grade 4) on winter. 2007

financial weakness. WNSO Nepal sponsored NRs. 8000.00 (First instalment) at 13, Nov, 2007. After assessment of his performance and utilization of sponsorship, WNSO will try to give continuity for grade 12 if financial resource is available.

2.1.2 WNSO International Scholarships

Worldwide Nepalese Students' Organization –Nepal (WNSO- Nepal) has initiated to provide full education scholarship for the students to study in UK through open competition under the WNSO-ICON scholarship programme under close collaboration with ICON College of Technology and Management since 2006, later on with Queensland College, London, UK.

2.1.2.1 Name list scholarship awarded students

S.N	Name	Address	Study program	Remarks
1.	Smirti Pradhan	Kathmandu	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS), feb intake 2007	
2.	Rajesh Thapa	Syanjga	HND in Travel & Tourism)	
3.	Sulav Raj Kolakshyapati	Palpa	Program: Higher National Diploma (HND) in ICT	
4	Siddartha Mainali	KTM	HND in Business, Sep intake 2008	
5	Subash Dhakal	Biratnagar	HND in Tourism and Hospitality Management	
6	Narayan Sah	Birgunj	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
7	Sabitri Poudyal	Chitwan	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
8	Prakash K.C	KTM	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
9	Smirti Basnet	KTM	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
10	Bikash KC	„	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
11	Kushal Malla	„	Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (DMS)	
12.	Bina Thapa	KTM	ACCA, Feb 2008	Queensland
13.	Ritu Prajapati	KTM	HND Business	
14.	Biraj Bhandari		HND Business	
15.	Suvash Dahal	Gorkha	HND in Travel and Tourism	
16.	Bikram Maharjan	KTM	HND Business	



CDO of Kathmandu district office and Mr. Tom Vickers on the desk, center with President and General Secretary of WNSO- N) on scholarship distribution program, March 2007



One of the scholarship winners, Ms Smirti receiving WNSO –ICON scholarship award certificate by CDO, Mr. Thaneshwor Devkota, 2006



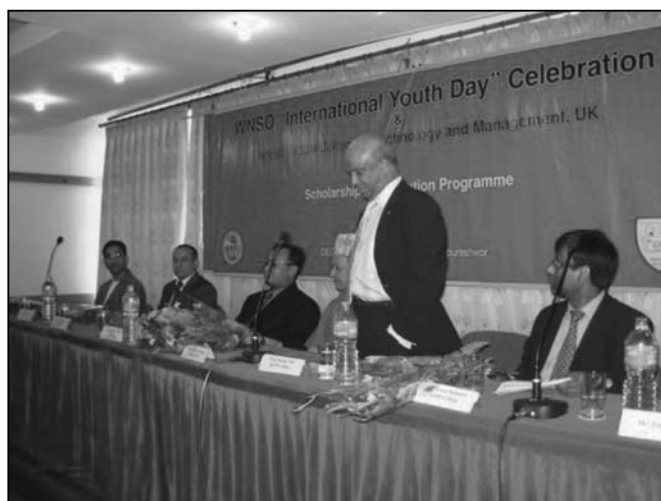
Mr. Tom Vickers, advisor of WNSO-UK delivering the speech on awarding programme, Kathmandu, September 2007.



Winners of Scholarship, WNSO, September 2007.



WNSO Nepal Secretary General delivering welcome speech on International Youth day WNSO-ICON awarding program, 2007



Professor Nurun, Principal of ICON College of management and technology on WNSO_ICON scholarship awards program

2.1.3 School support

WNSO-Nepal in coordination with WNSO UK, has also initiated supports to community based educational institutes for infrastructure development. Seti Devi primary school, Humpakhar VDC-3, Sindhupalkchowk, was selected as the first school supported by WNSO Nepal. WNSO-Nepal donated sum of Rs 25,000 to this school for construction of the rooms on 6 March 2006. It was established by Public effort in 2034. Since the establishment it has been facing several problems to run properly. The community and local children become direct beneficiaries of this support.



A glimpse of support program to community school at March, 2006.

2.2 Program on capacity building of youth

The emerging young generation from the rural/urban areas and the least developed regions of Nepal, an enthusiastic generation for nation or future of Nepal to provide country a prosperous shape, are under dilemma due to lack of various skills essential to face the competitive age of 21st century. Without such skills, a nation can't expect higher output from them to upgrade towards prosperity. Holding such consciousness youth are searching for various skills. To quench their thirst of such skills WNSO-Nepal, a non political and not for profit organization, organized a life skill development workshop to scan positive behaviour in trainees. We found every individual being enable to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life.

Simply speaking, life skills are innumerable. If we observe its nature, we may easily find it being circulated by the impact of societies, circumstances in which an individual lives. There are core set of skills initiative for the promotion of the health and wellbeing of children and adolescents. It is hard to find definitive list of life skills applicable in day to day life. However, the interpretive terms of life skill includes psychosocial to interpersonal skills. Significance of these skills becomes prime cause to value life skill as most important subject in life. The choice of different skills will vary according to the topic and local setting or conditions. Though the list suggests these categories as distinct from each other, many skills are used simultaneously in practice. For example, decision making often involves critical thinking ("What are my options") and values clarification ("what is important to me?"). Ultimately, the interplay between the skills is what produces powerful behavioural outcomes, especially where this approach is supported by other strategies such as media, policies and health services.

2.2.1 Life skill development training programme

WNSO-Nepal conducted the orientation workshop on 11th to 13th Jan 2008. The main target of the program was to address the burning needs of youth with the help of life skill knowledge: goal setting, dreaming, planning and making strategies to achieve them. All together 29 participants took part in the training. The participants were from different backgrounds and regions. We could easily analyze their satisfied mood after achieving such pragmatic knowledge in 3 days workshop. Finally, training remained as a fruitful example for the organization to strengthen its volunteering aspect. WNSO-Nepal, well considering to the craze of youth for such skills, is obliged to precede such trainings with high care in future too.

The experienced resource persons: Mr Sudeep Shrestha, Mr. Ramsharan Poudel and Mr. Hari Khanal under leadership of Mr. Binaya Basyal facilitate the program. Similarly, guest facilitator Bachchu Ram Basnet and Mr Nara Bahadur Karki, freelancer also shared experiences on how to think positive and highlighted on the Buddha Philosophy towards Life; and participants were provided extensive support to the 3 days long programme.





1. Participants in training session



2. Participants during closing ceremony



3. Delivering session



4. One of the participants in entertainment session



5. Participants practicing a game about team building



6. Guests on closing ceremony 7. Guest facilitator Mr. Bachchu Ram Basnet, Pro. Dr Hemanga Dixit, Advisor of WNSO-N and Planning commission member Dr. Ramakanta Gauro at closing session

2.3 ADVOCACY, CAMPAIGNING AND YOUTH COUNSELLING

2.3.1 Knowledge exchange programme among Gurus and youths

WNSO-Nepal at present is developing youth volunteers from students' community within and outside the country to work in social sectors and community that needs a continuous reform as the 21st century proceeds forward. The organization is also working for the national goal set by the country fostering peace. One of the crucial sector in which WNSO-Nepal is keenly interested is Constituent Assembly preceding for building an inclusive Constitution of the State with the representation of minority and underprivileged and ethnic diversity. The Constituent Assembly Election would be a historical event. That is a new experience for every stake holders of the country. Youth of nation are the change agents and social engineers, all the hopes lie with the new and emerging generation of youth. The very energetic young people are channels for the development work. Constituent Assembly Election would favour transforming the country from present state to concept of New Nepal with a new constitution built with consensus among the elected representatives from particular communities and from different political parties. Entire country would be decentralized in federal structure; the traditional administrative practices in the unitary system need to be replaced by the concept of federalism. Hence in this situation of the political vacuum, efforts of the educated youth must be unidirectional towards making a favourable policy, law and order to ensure the end of impunity created during a decade long conflict, a very painful poverty, unequal practices among the so called upper caste and lower caste system, geographical discriminative conditions due to lack of social expertise.



Prof. Abhi Subedi at WNSO-Nepal programme, '08

Invited resource person and guests shared their views at WNSO programme and well explained the importance of youth energy in nation building process and also thanked WNSO at least for the initiation of good events in practice. Prof. Abhi Subedi also added that how students can be a crucial model for the development of the nation by employing their energetic efforts. He analyzed current situation regarding the fortune and potential political disturbance of the country. Youth have sacrificed their life to stand up with a golden history, but unfortunately, nothing has achieved yet to represent what they dreamed. Now, it is time for all the technical manpower in addition to the purely political figures to participate in the political decision making episodes of the country, Prof. Subedi added.

In the program, constitution-expert Mr. Kasi Raj Dahal pointed out on the ongoing instability towards the Constituent Assembly. He also explained the solution of the present obstacle faced by Constituent Assembly could be overcome with the effort of the Nepalese youth. He also added that our political leaders are not heading towards the construction of New Nepal, rather they are experimenting the country as a Constitution Laboratory. To accomplish the constitution assembly successfully, current leaders must demonstrate the quality of negotiation, responsibility and honesty. During the program views were also forwarded by Prof. Dr. Sanjeev Upreti and Ms. Geeta Pathak, human right activist and senior lawyer.

2.3.2 Inter college speech competition program

Entitled on topic "Role of Youth in constituent Assembly" Kathmandu Valley Level Speech Contest was held on 7th October, 2007. Primary objectives of this programme were 1) to disseminate and create positive message of Constituent Assembly Election to the urban youth and seek their direct and indirect supports and contribution for the success of such polls. 2) To encourage the youth volunteers in transformation of their energy in national building and bring positive change in their thinking. The competition was focused on the youth belonging to student class pursuing their academics in different stream such as Science, Management, humanities and social sciences, Commerce, Engineering, Medicine, and Agriculture etc. The age group of students range from 16-24 yrs. It is very common that urban youth

This program was coordinated by Mr. Sanjeeb Sangarula, EC member of national committee. Similarly, Ms Loona Gurung, Ms Sita Pun, Mr Shyam Prasad Dumre, Mr Puspha Nidhi Gautam, Mr Dipesh Dulal, Mr. Tilak Prasad Bhattarai, Ms Roshani Shrestha, Ms Swechhya Sangroula, Mr. Sandesh Shrestha, Mr. Prashant Raut who have been actively supporting through volunteering.

due to lack of advice and counselling keep less interest in such national issues which is not a good indicator in long term , where as possibility of becoming effective leader exist for them as well.

This competition was organized with the view of developing the eloquence of the youth and to create a forum so that youth can reveal their talents in their real life. Constituent Assembly has been the national agenda and this aims to promote the youth's interest in this agenda. Obviously, the constitution going to be framed after the CA elections would be indispensable for the new resurgent Nepal and we strongly believe that the youth participation must be large to give shape of NEW NEPAL with dynamic visions. Hence, it is necessary to disseminate awareness on this national agenda among the youth and we hope this program will help to raise awareness among the youth as well as other all concerned.

2.3.2.1 Name-list of Participants

S.N	Name of Contestant	College Represented	Position Secured
1	Prateek Bhandari	SOS	1 st
2	Marshal Kumar Oli	ASCOL	2 nd
3	Rajendra Pokhrel	Ratna Rajya Campus	3 rd
4	Sandesh Shrestha	Kathmandu School of Law (KSL)	4 th
5	Amrit Banjara	Kantipur College of Medical Science	
6	Baburam Kafle	Kailashkut Multiple College	
7	Pradeep Bhusal	NIST	
8	Tej Kumar Sharma	Tri-Chandra College	
9	Sushil Nepal	Brilliant College	
10	Binod Kumar Lamichhane	Nepal law Campus	
11	Shova Khanal	Shankardev Campus	
12	Manohar Khadka	Pashupati Multiple College	

Before the announcement of the results by the Jury members, Ms Geeta Pathak (Senior Academician and Human Rights Activist) delivered a message that such program would not only be competition rather a commitment for nation building. She highlighted an importance of such issues among the youth members and appreciated on active participation of youths in such program. Mr .Rudra Prasad Kharel (Reader, TU) on behalf of jury team deliver the importance of language and linguistic skills that a speaker needs while delivering speech.

Mr Prateek Bhandari of SOS HERMANN GMEINER HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL SANOTHIMI SECURED 1st Position with a Cash Prize of Rs 10000/-(Rs Ten Thousand only). Mr Marshal Kumar Oli of Amrit Science college, Lainchour secured 2nd position with a cash prize 5000/- (Rs Five Thousand only). Similarly Mr .Rajendra Pokhrel of Ratna Rajya College, Pradarshani Marg secured 3rd position with a Cash prize of 2500/- (Rs Twenty Five Hundred only). Mr .Sandesh Shrestha of Kathmandu School of Law (KSL) secured fourth position in the contest with a consolation prize.



Mr Prateek Bhandari, SOS Bhaktapur, receiving the first prize of Speech competition 2007.



Guests on desk from right Ms. Gita Pathak, Mr. Kashi Raj Dahal, WNSO-President and Prof. Dr. Abhi Subedi



Jury Members on Kathmandu valley inter-college speech 2007



WNSO Volunteers in the event

2.3.3 Campaigning of CA poll in community

Efforts made by energetic members of WNSO-Nepal played immensely appreciable role to counsel the people of remote area about the constitution assembly. Main purpose of the visit, beside the local product enhancement, was to make the people aware about the role of coming CA election, which is considered to shape the future of Nepal. Conduction of civic education and awareness program to local community of Palpa and Parbat district was one of the most crucial step made by this volunteer organization. This program was supported by WNSO-Nepal, the team comprised of four members, with minimum logistics. The team conducted the touched-with-time activities in the local communities and performed the designed program with their effort with in 10 days.



Team member, Prasant Raut with students in palpa



Team leader, Sajeeb Sangaura in parbat

2.3.4 A glimpse of interaction on “Issue of Nepalese Students Abroad” at Martin Chautari, 2006



WNSO Nepal presenting the paper and interact with students participating on interaction Program, 2006.

2.3.5 Information sharing

New entry of volunteers is rapidly increasing. WNSO-Nepal organizes regular programmes to interact with volunteers and maintains give and take relationship with valuable suggestions. Besides, it becomes WNSO-Nepal committee's responsibility to update them with plan and activities. Even the expectation of new concepts from volunteer is high. For the promotion of such concepts, WNSO is obliged to organize such interaction programs frequently. Most often, during the course of different activities it becomes easy for all to interact, however, WNSO considers for new updated and innovative strategies to achieve the mission. For that such programs become highly effective, during the program we even weave the new strategies and discuss over the issues.

All participants have shared the interests, experiences and their commitment toward the expansion of WNSO mission, its recognition and to contribute for promotion in coming days. WNSO has committed to orient them fully with new plans and targets and commence with new roadmap to go ahead. WNSO Web based Forum: Chautari, all shows its commitment to make it more informative and more fruitful.



Volunteers on the Interaction program (2007) at WNSO Nepal office.



WNSO-Nepal interaction (2008) with students of PK campus, T.U.



2.3.6 International youth day celebration



Tribhuvan University Vice Chancellor Madhav Prasad Sharma (centre) addressing international youth day celebration and scholarship distribution program 2007



Participants at International youth day celebration program 2006.

2.3.7 WNSO Nepal Best Volunteer Award 2007

'WNSO-Nepal Best Volunteer Award' can be taken as the most significant step to enhance the volunteers' qualities, skills and dedication. It can be taken as an incentive award towards volunteer to re-energize them, and to make one model and letting others the way to follow. WNSO recognizes the value and need of this award to associate volunteers' in incessant manner to provide better output for social transformation and nation building playing with their energy, concepts and will-to-do spirit. Organization has been selecting its volunteers by assessing the dedication. Best volunteer award of 2007 was awarded to Mr. Yadav Bhattarai during the celebration of international youth day (12 Aug 2007). Similarly, Mr. Arjun Subedi has been declared for best volunteer award 2008.



WNSO –Nepal Best volunteer, 2007 receiving an award from Vice chancellor of T.U.

2.4 SOCIAL SERVICE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

2.4.1 Blood donation programme

Nepalese people have been facing a real crisis of blood and blood products throughout the country. Blood transfusion can be a life-saving intervention for different conditions such as surgery, accident and other bleeding conditions, delivery cases and for the treatment of many diseases. Public participation in blood donation is increasing but in the mean time the demand of blood is increasing more rapidly. Needy patients who are struggling in between life and death are not receiving necessary blood to support for their life threatening situation. Many people are not being survived, simply due to the lack of blood, despite the utmost efforts of clinicians. And the ultimate outcome becomes death. Therefore, keeping in view of its importance, WNSO-Nepal has decided to compensate this lacking by organizing episodes of blood donation camps as a part of social activities and tries to give insights of youth volunteerism through such events in Nepal.

Above mentioned programs are very essential to fulfil the lack of blood and blood components during the actual patient's need. This program helped to create awareness/motivation among public (especially to youth) about the importance of blood donation as a life saving campaign. Program being organized in a public place, will impart knowledge about blood donation and its benefits. As a long term perspective, people recognize WNSO-Nepal as a social organization through volunteerism in the social activities. Interested youth will utilize WNSO-Nepal as their platform to serve the nation through volunteerism and others will replicate such activities for a good reason.

WNSO-Nepal as a social organization has expanded its activities towards blood donation, an esteemed humanitarian endeavour. WNSO-Nepal has provided a platform for Nepalese youth to spread a message of volunteerism and to develop a concept of youth-volunteerism in the country.



Blood donation programme (2006) collaboration with Hirdaya Nepal, Kathford and Lions club at Gausala, Kathmandu



WNSO-Nepal blood donation camp at Ratnapark, Kathmandu(Jan,2008)



2.4.2 Health Check up program in orphanage home

Several children on street and in machinery houses living a sarcastic life with dark future. Government body doesn't seem paying required attention to such children for their fundamental rights. WNSO-Nepal with their expertises and expenses considers for cooperation to such children in the way possible to secure their basic rights. WNSO-Nepal is making efforts to draw the attention of government on such critical issues.



WNSO Nepal Health Check up program in orphanage home (2007).

3.3.3 Health Camp programme

Several poor people from backward and deprived communities are not aware about their health due to ignorance. Even children on street and in machinery houses are living a sarcastic life with dark future. Government body doesn't seem paying required attention to such children for their fundamental rights. WNSO-Nepal with their expertises and expenses considers for cooperation to these children, ignorant people in the way possible to secure their basic rights.



WNSO Nepal Health camp for child labour in Kathmandu (Aug 12, 2006).

2.4.4 Honour programme to senior citizens

Life is an echo...what you send out comes back. WNSO-Nepal, a volunteer based organization working in the field of quality education and nation building process, made a small effort to distribute clothes to elderly citizens. A charity, cloth distribution program, was commenced for Elderly Home was successfully organized at 6th January 2008, Sunday, in the premises of Pashupatinath Briddha Ashram, Kathmandu. About 286 elderly citizens were granted.

For this social and noble cause, WNSO members and volunteers were involved in collecting reusable clothes. New shawls and blankets were also distributed to each of the elderly members of the old-age home. We were very much aware that even a small contribution, by anyone from anywhere, makes the overall program successful. For the estimation of the material-required, organization members and volunteers visited Pashupati and surveyed the requirement. We were well supported by D2Hawkeyes, a software company, Kathmandu School of Law and Law Students' Society.

In the Program, WNSO-Nepal organized a discussion series with Office Chief of BridhaAshram Mr. Basudev Deuja. He provided the relevant information that government is not paying proper attention to address such issues. To preserve their right we must make joint effort from the government and non-government institutions. He provided facts about the woes and worries of the Briddha (elderly). He also shared how Pashupati Bridha Asram is able to cope with the prospects, challenges and various legal and social issues which impact a lot in the elderly day to day life. After a very intense discussion we came into conclusion that "elderly people are like other dignified citizen who are the citizen of the nation and must not be ignored at all".



Since Nepalese Government does not have extensive health care policies for Elder Citizens living in "Bridha Ashram" in the premises of Pashupati and at other centres in Nepal, it becomes everyone's responsibility to take care of them for the sake of humanity. Main objective of this program was to relieve needy elderly people from the chilling cold, which is, of course, a social service purely altruistic and sacred from every perspective. It is really challenging to cope with freezing weather for the elder citizens. Most of them are vulnerable and there exist possibility of suffering from rheumatism, asthma, cold, fever, etc. Therefore, such activities must be taken under consideration, WNSO believes. 'Today we are young; tomorrow we all will get old. Let's realize how they feel while living in "Briddha Aashram" away from their loved one.

2.4.5 Research and community study

WNSO-Nepal enhances the interested and enthusiastic students and youth, if they have skills, to project their creative and practical skills. In this regard to lead the nation towards prosperity focus was made on research for the social, political and economic activities in context of Nepal. Under the authorization of the organization, study and understanding of prospects for future investment and local industrialization etc were made by some energetic members; along side, they played immensely appreciable role to counsel the people of remote area about the

Constitution Assembly as well. Main purpose of the visit, beside the local product enhancement, was to make the people aware about the role of coming CA election, which is considered to shape the future of Nepal. Conduction of civic education and awareness program to local community is one of the frontier step made by this volunteer organization.

This program was supported by WNSO-Nepal, the team comprised of four members, with minimum logistics. The team conducted the touched-with-time activities in the local communities and performed the designed program with their effort within 10 days. The team had departed from Kathmandu on 7th March 2008 for backward areas of Palpa (Heklang, Gejha VDC) and Parbat (Phalebas, Devasthan VDC) districts, and arrived at Kathmandu on 16th March, 2008. Hope for the supports by WNSO seems accomplished with higher outcomes. During the course of trip, we can extrovertly observe the

relational development with local communities; donation of books, materials and other resources to local libraries and schools. Interaction with local social workers, political leaders and community activists helped to study and understand prospects for future investment to promote local industrialization.



WNSO-N with community people at Parbat, 2008



WNSO-N with students of public school at Palpa, 2008

resources. Further more, focus was made on objectives to understand the attitude and interests of the local stakeholders to participate in such productive and economically viable activities.

6.6.6 Interaction on indoor air pollution among WNSO members and its expertise

World environment is degrading and world ecology being disturbed by different sorts of pollution victimizing the beings severely. Awareness on interior pollution is quite essential in under developing countries which are becoming cause of life threatening disease like cancers. WNSO-Nepal always shows its readiness to cooperate with different organization to launch such awareness programmes in large scale through out different parts of the nation and world.



Mr. Han Heijnen, Advisor, Environmental Health, World Health Organization (WHO) delivering the knowledge among students and WNSO members at WNSO seminar hall, 2008.



President of WNSO-N in question-answer session with participants of occupational health & environment

2.4.7 WORKSHOP ON WILDLIFE CONSERVATION



Workshop on wildlife conservation and prevention of wildlife crime at Conservation Chautari, collaboration with WCN, 2008



2.5.1 Fund raising, fun and enthusiasm

Along with educational support to the Nepalese students, WNSO Nepal has mission to organize volunteers and mobilize them for several aspect of human, social and environmental activities. As per organizational motto of WNSO, it organized volunteer camp on the occasion of World Wetlands Day carrying a slogan "Save the Nature: Save the Planet". And the especial thematic manifesto of the Day was "Healthy Wetlands, Healthy People."

WNSO-Nepal held some formal programs to make our volunteers aware of nature, wild conservation, its importance in human life and human responsibility towards it. After the completion of interaction program subjected to get ultimate mission of the day, it also helped to promote environmental skills to WNSO youth volunteers. During the interaction session, foreign students with great joy appreciated the program and wished for the better future of both organization and volunteers.

All the volunteers valued the significance of nature, and also became aware about the wet land. Their commitments also helped to mobilize awareness in community. Newly joint volunteers got opportunity to shake hand with earlier volunteers associated with WNSO-Nepal. They were also made to realize the value of volunteerism for rapid progress and prosperity of country like Nepal. Volunteers presented over there also promised to go ahead to achieve ultimate mission of WNSO-Nepal.

Volunteering organization like this has to bear several difficulties to run properly with its basic agendas. Up to now it has not any funding agency to support. However, 'if there is Will-to-do, we can convert the aim into achievement'; under this presumption with several ideas WNSO- Nepal contrives for fund raising programs.

Some of the glimpses of volunteers' day Camp, 2 Feb. 2008



Along with the motif of fund raising, white water rafting program became good refreshment to all the active participants, volunteers, well-wishers and even for organization itself to go ahead with high spirit initiating in spring. This program became very fruitful in the sense that, first, Participants got opportunity to observe natural heritage in country like Nepal. Thereby one can easily guess the possibility for the tourism industry in Nepal. Secondly, WNSO got new enthusiastic volunteers entry, side by side it became good platform to interact between new comers and existing volunteers. Thirdly, its motif was to celebrate World Water Day, too, to awaken the people about such heritage existing in country.

WNSO-Nepal found it essential to celebrate World Water Day to disseminate the knowledge and possible use of water. This opportunity also became helpful for fund raising schemes with highly content fun. There have been about 80 members who participated in the program and rocked the event. Some new participants also showed their genuine interest to know more about organization; and they were well communicated about WNSO and its objectives. Such practices add matured experiences to follow the mission even in difficulties.



Few glimpses of White Water Rafting Program; March 22, 2008



A glimpse of T-shirt made by WNSO-Nepal for fund raising & publicity of organization, 2008



A glimpse of first formal meeting of WNSO-Nepal, Kathmandu-2005 AD. Membership fees and their contribution are the main source of finance.



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