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Society of Nepalese Engineers UK



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Please accept my sincere thanks to all SONEUK members for choosing me to take the role of chairman of the Society of Nepalese Engineers UK for next 2 years. Thanks to executive committee members for their continuous hard work to improve the SONEUK profile.

I would like to inform you that we have successfully nominated advisors, regional coordinators and the subcommittees to support SONEUK activities. In our 2 years' tenure, the executive committee will focus to achieve following goals:

- Membership growth to cross 100 general members this year. with paid membership.
 For next year, we target to cross 150 general members.
- · Publish 3 newsletters bulletin in a year.
- · Publish technical memorabilia (smarika).
- Professional development talk enroute to ICE for getting IEng and CEng.
- Technical talk programme.
- We will hold upcoming Conference/ seminar with at least 2 international delegates.
- · Aim to build International relationship between two similar organisations.
- Nepal Health and Safety research work and findings to aware the people in construction industries.
- A brand new/ reformatted website design is ongoing.
- · Work placement opportunity for SONEUK family members in Nepal for above 18 years of age.
- Ongoing talks to have a future plan with American Society to share the knowledge and the event participation between two organisations.
- To outline attractive events with focus on SONEUK family members.

We have more things to accomplish and need your help and support to achieve our organisational goal. I would like to request you to support the Society's activities and encourage other engineer friends to join SONEUK. Finally, on the happy occasion of the Bada Dashain, I wish you all happiness, peace and prosperity.

Shailendra K. Shrestha BSc (Eng) , MSc (Eng) Chairman, SONEUK

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5 Bed Bhattarai

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Bhupendra Mishra

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32 Hari Hamal

33 Hari Krishna Neupane

34 Hari Krishna Poudel

35 Hari Nepal

36 Jaya Acharya Nepal

37 Jitendra shakya

38 Kanhaiya Bhagat Koiri

39 Keshav Dahal

40 Keshav Bhattarai

41 Keshav Pokharel

42 Khem Paudel

43 Krishna Chakhun

44 Krishna Kishor Shrestha

45 Laxman Ghimire

46 Lekh Nath Kharel

47 Manoj Shrestha

48 Meen Gurung

49 Megha Paudyal

50 Mohammad Ansari

51 Monica Ghimire

52 Naba Raj Adhikari

53 Narad Bhandari

54 Naresh Dev Panta

55 Naresh Thapa

56 Om Thapa

57 Pawan Man Bajracharya

58 Pooja Bhagat

59 Pooja Gurung

60 Poonam Pathak

61 Prakash Sapkota

62 R C Adhikari

63 Rabindra Thapa

64 Raj Kumar Pathak

65 Rajendra Kharel

66 Rajesh Pathak

67 Rajkumar Tripathi

68 Ram Hari Poudyal

69 Ram Krishna Adhikari 70 Ram Krishna Sitaula

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73 Ramesh Rijal

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77 Roshan Bhttarai

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95 Sushant Kharel

96 Tara Prasad Lamsal

97 Umesh Parajuli

98 Vijay Gurung

99 Yam Bahadur Bhandari

100 Yogendra Muni Bajracharya

101 Yuba Raj Neupane

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to heartily welcome our new members:

- Diwash Gurung
- Bibek Koirala
- Mohammad Ansari
- Gopal Koirala

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TALK PROGRAM ON NEPALI HERITAGE AND POST-EARTHQUAKE SCENARIO

London, Saturday 28th July 2018

SONEUK organised an interaction event including discussions on its role in the improvement of consulting services, and reconstruction of historical and cultural heritage in Nepal. Chief guest of the event Er Badan Lal Nyachhyon, the managing director of Multi-disciplinary Consultant, Nepal, and founder-president of SCAEF, emphasised that in absence of a proper system and management of development projects, and accountability of its members, various heritage sites are being neglected and thus reconstruction after earthquake has become a bigger challenge. Conducted by SONEUK General Secretary Er Umesh Parajuli, the event was chaired by SONEUK chairperson Er Shailendra Kaji Shrestha.

While SONEUK Vice-chairperson Dr Birendra Shrestha welcomed all engineer guests, Er Badan Lal Nyachhyon presented his paper on 'Challenges in heritage conservation'. He requested Nepali engineers living abroad to contribute in the development of Nepal by accumulating their experiences in developing 'Good practice guidelines'. He added that the lack of systematic documentation and research in design, construction, repair and conservation has led to bigger challenges in heritage conservation. He pointed out that in light of government's execution of road expansion at the cost of traditional settlements without exploring alternative options, organisations like SONEUK should present themselves as a whistleblower.



Badan Lal Nyachhyon



While former SONEUK chairperson and advisor Er Krishna Kishore Shrestha shared his experience of facing difficulties while working with Road Department in Nepal, Er Rajesh Pathak emphasised on the need for public consultation in sensitive projects involving heritage sites. SONEUK former chairman Er Ghanashyam Poudel suggested that in order to safeguard the heritage sites not shortlisted in World heritage list, the department of archaeology should categorise all general heritage sites. SONEUK secretary Sanyukta Shrestha informed about working towards conservation of Nepali heritage from UK.

Second presenter of the event, technical director of Kadoori agricultural and association, British Gurkha, Er Narayan Gurung emphasised on the need to learn from Gorkha earthquake and not to repeat mistakes in the future. He added that rather than the earthquake itself, the damage is more due to earthquake triggered landslides and avalanche, unpreparedness and lack of awareness, etc. Participant Er Binod Lal Amatya summed up the discussion sessions with the concept of heritage-friendly metro train as an alternative to Kathmandu's transport system, and how SONEUK could assist in this regard.

SONEUK ANNUAL GATHERING 2018

SONEUK members' families came together for a historic outing in the record number of more than 100 at Avon Tyrrell, Hampshire, BH23 8EE on the weekend of 15-16 September 2018.

It was an overnight campfire with a number of tents occupied by the families, who got introduced to each other, and the spouses and kids had a wonderful time mingling over the two days with delicious barbecue, Nepali buffet dinner and an equally amazing English breakfast.

The families also enjoyed various games and won different prizes over a highly participated round of raffle. Until late night, most of the participants also presented their singing and dancing talents around a campfire which was cheered by the spectators with full enjoyment.

OFFICAL PROGRAM

15-09-2018

14:00-15:00 Registration

15:00 Check in

14:00-17:00 Barbeque

16:00-19:30 Entertainment

& activities

19:30-21:30 Dinner

19:30-22:30 Campfire & Music

16-09-2018

07:30-09:30 Breakfast

10:00 Check out













Interaction programme with Hitendra Shakya

Despite a very short notice, Society of Nepalese Engineers in UK (SONEUK) organised a very successful talk program on 14 th Saturday October 2018 at Gorkha Club, London. with a view to tap benefits its members would get and to explore avenues to contribute to engineering services in Nepal, especially in hydropower sector. The talk program was conducted by Shailendra Kajee Shrestha, chairman of the SONEUK, with a warm welcome and an exchange of festive greetings with all the participants. The participants travelled from afar, they had come a long way from East Midland to attend the program. The list of participant is as follows: Arjun Pradhan, Bijaya Bajracharya, Bidur Ghimire, Hitendra Dev Shakya, Sachetan Tuladhar, Mira Bajracharya, Karuna Shakya, Jeevan Karmacharya, Krishna Kishore Shrestha, Shailendra Kajee Shrestha, Rajendra Kharel, Raj Pathak, and Shyam Thapa.

Main guest Hitendra Dev Shakya, managing director of NEA Engineering Company, Limited, Nepal, delivered a meaningful and enthusiastic talk on Hydropower, Tunnelling, Dam and Electrical Systems in Nepal. Started with Nepal Electricity Authority in 2045 BS, Mr Shakya has worked at various levels and in various capacities such as director, System Planning Department, NEA, Power Sector Specialist, Office of the Millennium Challenge Nepal, National Planning Commission Secretariat, Expert on Minigrid, Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC) etc. are a few to name.

In the beginning of the talk program, Mr Shakya made it clear that the main objective of his Europe tour including UK was for potential future collaboration with organisations like SONEUK and alike. In his very thought provoking speech, he mentioned that a stage has come in Nepal's Hydropower development where a paradigm shift or a phase shift has necessitated in independent power producer and private developers more than in Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) itself, to elevate the confidence in small to large scale hydropower projects and capacity building of Nepalese manpower. He stressed that Nepalese experts with international experience are comparatively more affordable than foreign experts. In this respect SONEUK could play a vital role to motivate its members for sharing and liaising with UK and international expertise which they may have access to. The NEA Engineering Company Limited will provide a platform and it also has a separate provision and can bear out-of-pocket costs of the SONEUK member, if not a full remuneration, for expert consultations.

Route to ICE Professional Development Review to get I.Eng/ C.Eng

A talk by Laxman Ghimire

Mr Ghimire is a Chartered Civil Engineer trained through ICE and is currently working for 'Highways England' as Regional Commercial Manager. He is currently one of the SONEUK advisors and had also been part of the organisation previously as a secretary. He is a Supervising Civil Engineer (SCE) of ICE and involved in Highways.

Venue Saturday 24th Nov 2018 (12:00 to 16:00)
Monty's Ealing, 1B The Mall, London, W5 2PJ

Contribution £25 per person

Lunch included with tea/coffee served throughout & Free beer



Laxman Ghimire



We wish
all our members
a very happy
festive season of

Dashain & Tihar,
i Mha Puia & NhuDa

Mohani, Mha Puja & NhuDan, Lhosar, Chhat & Udhauli

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