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Nepal Bats for Millennium Development Goals

Kathmandu

The three day campaign against poverty is being observed worldwide with the theme, 'Let's Commit to Poverty Reduction for Durable Peace' to mark the World Poverty Reduction Day (October 16-18). Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN) also initiated the campaign on October 16 with a 'Stand Up-Take Action' theme.

Prime Minister Madhav Kumar Nepal has appealed on the occasion to be united



Involvement of MuAN on 'Stand Up' Campaign at Tundikhel, Kathmandu.

to face the challenges of economic meltdown and global warming. He also said that we are in a dire need of policy and programme to achieve the goals by next six years. He prioritized on fair investment and equitable

distribution of public resources and services so as to alleviate poverty and attain a society with political sustainability, restoration of peace and people-oriented economic development.

-Himalayan News Service.

21 Historical City Gates in Lalitpur Set for Renovation

Lalitpur

Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City (LSMC) is all set to renovate and preserve 21 historical city gates of the municipality. The locals had already renovated Patandhoka, Alkodhoka and Saithudhoka gates while the renovation of Chhya Baha Dhoka, Chyasa Dhoka, Bholdhoka and Sasudhoka has begun. The plan is waiting for the budget to be approved to preserve lakes, historical inscriptions, stone spouts, sculptures and idols.

-Himalayan News Service.



One-Day Workshop on 'Strategic Planning 2009/10'

MuAN organized a 'Strategic Planning Workshop' at Kathmandu on October 13, 2009. The participants were from udle/ GTZ, DUDBC, member municipalities, board members and officials from MuAN. This workshop was intended to restructure the long term vision, mission and goals for MuAN and review the prepared strategic planning for the fiscal year 2009/2010. Further, the event also made clear about the performance indicators to be set for achieving the required outcomes.

Mr. Mani Ram Singh Mahat, facilitator from udle/ GTZ, presented the general overview on creating vision, mission and strategic planning. He also presented the ten major steps for planning, which is agreed upon to be followed by MuAN.

Dr. Mahendra Subba, Deputy Director General of DUDBC, focused on the priorities of MuAN; especially on MuAN's leadership to bind entire urban stakeholders and member municipalities, its collaborative effort, moral support and training-oriented programs. He further said that MuAN should try to minimize the overlap of actions and programmes and be more vigilant.

Two group tasks were performed during the workshop. The first task was performed on creating the mission, vision and goals of MuAN. On the other hand the second task was entirely focused on improving the existing Strategic plan of MuAN. During the discussion of the group tasks, following issues were cited:



Participants involved in Group Task during the 'Strategic Planning 2009/10' workshop

- Effective changes on strategy.
- Focus on Qualitative provision.
- Involvement and information sharing with all the municipalities in the strategic plan.
- Specification of the indicators.
- The process-oriented working pattern.

In order to solve the issues, following recommendations were pointed out by the participants.

- Rather than process-oriented, the working pattern should be outcome oriented.
- Decision making should be rational.
- Focus should be given on the campaigning roles and responsibilities of MuAN.
- Any duplication and contradiction should be removed.
- MuAN should play an intermediate role as a professional organization between municipalities and urban stakeholders.
- Focus on functional and realistic approach.
- Inform all the municipalities about the essence of information unit, focal person and internet usage.
- Set guidelines for any municipal announcement.

-Purnima Shakya

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Coaching Programme on Performance Development for MuAN Team



Mr. Nara Br. Karki, facilitator of Genesis Management, instructing the group on Performance Development.



Participants attending the one day coaching session.

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One day coaching on performance development was organized by MuAN on October 14th with the support of udle/GTZ. The coaching was provided by Mr. Nara Bahadur Karki, facilitator of Genesis Management.

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According to the session, the three main factors that bind the realm of transformation are:

1. Internalizing the world
2. Willingness of being
3. Designing the future.

In order to achieve the transformation, five green lenses of life were discussed.

1. They are a hero, they are fine as they are (When you see heroism in others, you automatically become a

leader).

2. They have their own answers
3. They have goals and dreams and want their life to make a difference
4. They are contributing to me, right now.
5. I interact with them in the way I want to be treated with dignity and respect.

One should develop these five lenses to develop their performance. Besides, achievement in work-place should be guided by a clear vision, goal and realistic plan.

Finally Mr. Nara Bahadur Karki aggregated the realm of life, personal behavior and one's work performance. He concluded that in order to achieve certain result, one should take certain action. Such actions should be directed by standard of integrity and a series of achievable thoughts.

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Municipal Association of Nepal (MuAN)

Photo Gallery



October events: Above – Strategic Workshop; Below – MDG Stand Up Campaign.



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Upcoming Events

November 26, 2009

Workshop on Preliminary WATSAN Plan.



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