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"Enhance Community Safety, Reduce Earthquake Risks
Construct Safe Schools, Hospitals and the Settlements"

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Program - Day 1: Wednesday, 13 January 2010 (29 Poush 2066)

Time		Session	Session / Topic	Presenter / Organization	Download
From	To				
9:30	10:15	-	Registration	-	
10:15	11:00	OC	Opening Ceremony	Chief Guest: Dr. Yubaraj Khatiwada, Vice-Chairman, National Planning Commission	
				Chairperson: Mr. Ashok Nath Upreti, Director General, DUDBC	
10:15	10:20	OC1	Welcome Address	Mr. Arjun Kumar Thapa, Chief Executive Officer, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City	
10:20	10:25	OC2	Objectives of Symposium	Mr. Amod Mani Dixit, Executive Director, NSET	
10:25	10:30	OC3	Address	Mr. Luc Verna, Technical Assistant, Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid-ECHO Nepal, European Commission	
10:30	10:35	OC5	Address	Mr. Yuri Chakalall, Senior Disaster Management Advisor, UNDP Nepal	
10:35	10:45	OC4	Address	Dr. Govinda Prasad Kusum, Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs	
10:45	10:55	OC6	Inaugural Speech by Chief Guest	Chief Guest	
10:55	11:00	OC7	Address by Chairperson & Closure of the Inaugural Ceremony	Chairperson	
11:00	11:30	HT1	Tea Break		
11:30	13:00	A	Session A: Experiences	Chairperson: Mr. Dev Ratna	

			and Lessons of Emergency Response during Recent Disaster Events in Nepal	Dhakhwa, Secretary General, Nepal Red Cross Society	
11:30	11:35	A-0	Opening Remarks by Session Chair		
11:35	11:50	A-1	Experiences from Response Activities during Recent Disaster Events	Mr. Shankar Prasad Koirala, Joint-Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs	Download
11:50	12:05	A-2	Lessons Learned in Disaster Response and Disaster Preparedness Planning for 2010	Mr. Ram Prasad Luetel, National Disaster Response Advisor, UN OCHA	Download
12:05	12:20	A-3	Possible Outbreaks and the Mechanisms for Response	Dr Nihal Singh, Epidemiologist, WHO Nepal	Download
12:20	12:35	A-4	Findings of Study on Disaster Preparedness and Response Capacity in Nepal	Mr. Bishnu Kharel, Ms. Anjali Thakali Shakya and Mr. Dhruva Gautam; Association of International NGOs (AIN)	Download
12:35	12:50	A-5	Experiences of NRCS in Responding Recent Disaster Events	Mr. Pitambar Aryal, Director, Disaster Management Department, Nepal Red Cross Society	Download
12:50	13:00	A-6	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
13:00	14:00	L1	Lunch Break		
14:00	16:30	B	Session B: Achievements in Earthquake/Disaster Risk Reduction, Preparedness and Response	Chairperson: Mr. Buddhi Sagar Thapa, Deputy Director General, DUDBC	
14:00	14:05	B-0	Opening Remarks by Session Chair		
14:05	14:20	B-1	Achievements and Lessons of Building Code Implementation in Dharan Municipality	Mr. Suraj Shrestha, Engineer, Dharan Municipality	Download
14:20	14:35	B-2	Risk Sensitive Land-Use Planning and Development of Emergency Operations Plan for Kathmandu Metropolitan City	Mr. Bimal Rijal, Chief, Urban Development Department, KMC	Download
14:35	14:50	B-3	Initiatives of DUDBC and ERRRPP in Promoting Earthquake Safe Construction Practices in Nepal	Mr. Amrit Man Tuladhar, Chief, Building Code Section, Department of Urban Development and Building Construction	Download
14:50	15:05	B-4	NRCS in Disaster Preparedness and Risk Reduction	Mr. Pitambar Aryal, Nepal Red Cross Society	Download
15:05	15:20	T2	Tea Break		
15:20	15:35	B-5	DIPECHO Projects in Nepal – Experiences in Institutionalizing DRR	Ms. Sanjukta Sahany, DIPECHO Project Manager, Danish Red Cross On behalf of the DIPECHO Partners	Download
15:35	15:50	B-6	Findings of Progress Review on HFA Implementation through Views from the Frontline (VFL) Project	Ms. Nisha Shrestha, Documentation and Outreach Officer, NSET	Download
15:50	16:30	B-7	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
16:30			Adjourn of the Day		

Program - Day 2: Thursday, 14 January 2010 (30 Poush 2066)

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From	To				
9:30	11:00	C	Session C: Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction in Nepal	Chairperson: Mr. Shiva Bahadur Pradhanang, President, NSET	
9:30	9:35	C-0	Opening Remarks by Session Chair		
9:35	9:50	C-1	Recent Initiatives on Policy and Legal Reform for Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Management	Mr. Shankar Prasad Koirala, Joint-Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs	Download
9:50	10:05	C-2	Concepts, Outlines and Expected Outcomes of Recently Launched Flagship Program for DRM	Mr. Yuri Chakalall, Disaster Risk Reduction Advisor, UNDP Nepal	Download
10:05	10:20	C-3	National Platform for Disaster Risk Management in Nepal	Mr. Thir Bahadur G.C., Under- Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs	Download
10:20	11:00	C-4	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
11:00	11:30	T3	Tea Break		
11:30	13:00	D	Session D: Earthquake / Disaster Safety of Schools in Nepal	Chairperson: Mr. Mahashram Sharma, Director General, Department of Education	
11:30	11:35	D-0	Opening Remarks by Session Chair		
11:35	11:50	D-1	Initiatives of DOE for Safer School Buildings	Mr. Narayan Prasad Khanal, Senior Divisional Engineer, Department of Education	Download
11:50	12:05	D-2	Achievements and Impacts of Disaster Risk Reduction through School Project	Ms. Sabina Lama, DRRSP Coordinator, Lumanti Support Group for Shelter	Download
12:05	12:20	D-3	Experiences of School Earthquake Safety Program (SESP)	Mr. Surya Prasad Acharya, Program Manager, NSET	Download
12:20	12:35	D-4	Mapping and Recommendations for Disaster Education on School Curricula	Mr. Binod Guragain, Center for Policy Research and Consultancy (CePREC)	
12:35	13:00	D-5	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
13:00	14:00	L2	Lunch Break		
14:00	15:15	E	Session E: Mainstreaming Disability Considerations into Disaster Risk Management	Chairperson: Dr. Chhewang Namgyal Lama Sherpa, Member Secretary, Social Welfare Council	
14:00	14:05	E-0	Opening Remarks by the Session Chair		
14:05	14:35	E-1	Key Issues of Disability Considerations in Disaster Risk Reduction, Preparedness and Response	Ms. Vera Van Ek, Disaster and Disability Technical Coordinator, Handicap International; and Mr. Birendra Pokharel, National Federation	Download Download

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14:35	15:15	E-2	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
15:15	15:30	T4	Tea Break		
15:30	16:00	F	Session F: Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) in the Context of Disaster Risk Reduction	Chairperson: Mr. Batu Krishna Upreti, Member, LDC Expert Group; and Deputy Director General, Department of Plan Resources	
15:30	15:35	F-0	Opening Remarks by the Session Chair		
15:35	15:50	F-1	SAARC Road Map on Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction	Mr. Amod Mani Dixit, Executive Director, NSET	Download
15:50	16:05	F-2	Key Issues of Climate Change in Nepal	Prof. Dr. Bhakta Bahadur Ale, Center for Energy Studies, IOE	Download
16:05	16:20	F-3	Key Elements and Expected Outcomes of NAPA Process	Mr. Gyanendra Karki, Technical Officer, NAPA Project, Ministry of Environment	Download
16:20	16:35	F-4	Increasing the Resilience of Local Communities to the Impacts of Climate Change	Mr. Gehendra Gurung, Program Leader, Practical Action	Download
16:35	16:50	F-5	Q/A, Discussion and Closing Remarks by Session Chair	Session Chair	
16:50	17:00	CC	Concluding Session	Chairperson: Mr. Buddhi Sagar Thapa, Deputy Director General, DUDBC	
16:50	16:55	CC-1	Conclusions of the Symposium and "What Next?"	Mr. Amod Mani Dixit, Executive Director, NSET	
16:55	17:00	CC-2	Closing Remarks	Session Chair	
17:00			Adjourn of Symposium followed by tea		