

**International Conference on Biodiversity, climate change assessment
and Impacts on Livelihood
10-12, January 2017
Hotel Crowne Plaza, Kathmandu, Nepal**

Trip Report

Country(s) Visited: Nepal

Dates of Travel: January 09-14, 2017

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Purpose of Trip: To participate in an International Conference on Biodiversity, climate change
assessment and Impacts on Livelihood

Site Visited:

1. Kathmandu city

Description of Activities/Observations:

09 January 2017

Arrival In Nepal: Started journey at 11:00AM from Head quarter, HRC, BARI, Gazipur for Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport (HSIA), Dhaka using rented vehicle to board Plane on the way to Kathmandu, Nepal and reached there at 13:00PM. I boarded on Bangladesh Biman, BG701 at 16:00PM from HSIA, Dhaka and reached at Tribhuban International Airport (TIA), Kathmandu at 17:30PM. Then I set out by a conference vehicle for SOALTEE Hotel Crown Plaza, Kathmandu with Mr. Sridar, an Indian Participant of International Conference on Biodiversity, Climate change Assessment and Impact on Livelihood 2017 (icbcl-17) and reached at 18:30PM. I met with few participants of workshop, Dr. Vinod Sharma, Dr. Atiqur Rahman and Dr. Md. Nazrul Islam. I discussed about schedule of workshop with them and stay night at hotel.

10 January 2017

Inaugural session:

At 8:30AM KTM time, I reached at conference hall of the SOALTEE Hotel Crown Plaza and did my registration. There I introduced myself with some of our Bangladeshi participants and other foreign countries participants and talked to them as well. At 11:30AM, the inauguration ceremony was started and continued up to 12:30PM. The honorable President of Nepal Ms. Bidhya Devi Bhandari inaugurated the conference. Ministers and Secretaries of different ministries of Nepal like education, Agriculture and livestock etc. were also present on that inaugural session.

Key note session

At 01:30PM keynote session was started and continued up to 02:45PM. Three keynotes were presented over there.

Special symposium on Tuta absoluta

At 03:00PM technical session was started splitting all the participants into four groups such as session 1 for Climate change study, session 2 for Biodiversity, session 3 for Ecology and Ecosystem and session 4 for Special symposium on Tuta absoluta. Six papers were presented in that session at Madhabi Hall of SOALTEE crown plaza hotel. This session was chaired by Dr. Suraj Pokharel. I myself presented my paper entitled **Monitoring of Tuta absoluta in different region of Bangladesh** after the presentation by Rangaswamy Muniappan. After presentation of each paper, a threadbare discussion was held highlighting the importance of management of Tuta absoluta in south Asian region. This session was continued up to 04:30PM.

Policy session

At 04:30PM policy session was started with all the participants at Main Hall (Hall A) and it continued up to 5:30PM. Then I saw some posters on climate change study, biodiversity of flora and fauna, Ecology and ecosystem etc. Then I returned at Hotel room at 08:00PM and night halt over there.

11 January 2017

It was the second day of conference. I participated in ICIMOD supported symposium: Insensitizing mountain communities for ecosystem services at the time of changing climate from 09:00AM to 11:00 AM chaired by Dr. Prasant Bhowmik. Then I attended at symposium on Biological invasion started at 01:45PM and ended at 03:15PM. Then I attended at symposium on Gender and Livelihood from 03:30PM to 04:30PM. I also had a visit on poster presented at lobby of Hall room on Biological invasion. This session ended at 17.45PM. Then I returned at Hotel room at 08:00PM and night halt over there.

12 January 2017

It was the final day of conference. I participated in plenary session on seasonal monsoon prediction with the north American multi-model Ensemble, assembling the Butterfly Tree of life and Impact on dam on aquatic biodiversity in Nepal from 09:00 AM to 10:20AM chaired by Dr. Ridish Pokharel. Then I attended at symposium on Integrated Pest Management from 11:00PM to 12:30PM chaired by Dr. Luke A. Colvito. Five papers were presented over there from Nepal and Bhutan. During discussion, participants gave importance on collaboration among SAARC countries to transfer technologies among farmers. Then I attended at symposium on Agriculture from 01:30PM to 03:00PM. I also had a visit on poster presented at lobby of Hall room on climate change adaptation and IPM.

Closing ceremony

At 04:00Pm I attended at the closing ceremony of conference where Minister of Education of Nepal was present as chief guest. At last certificate has been distributed among the participants. Finally Dr. Pramod K. Jha declared the closing of conference with due thanks. This session ended at 05:00PM. Then I returned at Hotel room at 08:30PM having a farewell dinner hosted by Tribhuban University, Nepal and night halt over there.

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City visit

I visited some historic places of Kathmandu city and some temples in Kathmandu with other participants of conference. Then I returned at Hotel room at 08:30PM and night halt over there.

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Departure from Nepal

Started journey at 11:00AM from SOALTEE Hotel Crown Plaza, Kathmandu with Ms. Kim, a Thai Participant of International Conference on Biodiversity, Climate change Assessment and Impact on Livelihood 2017 for Tribhuban International Airport, Kathmandu and reached at 12:30PM. I boarded on Bangladesh Biman, BG702 at 17:15PM from Kathmandu, Nepal and reached at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, Dhaka at 18:45PM. Then I set out by a rented vehicle for Head quarter, HRC, BARI, Gazipur and reached at 21:00PM safely.

Suggestions, Recommendations, and/or Follow-up Items:

1. Award could be given for best oral/poster presentor

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