

Programme

17th BNAC Nepal Study Day, 15-16 April 2019

University of Edinburgh and Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh

Day 1, 15 April 2019

(Venue: Lecture Theatre, Royal Botanic Garden, 20a Inverleith Row, EH3 5LR)

09.00-09.30	Arrivals / Registration (Board Room)
09.30	Welcome (Krishna Adhikari, BNAC Chairman)
09.30-11.00	Panel 1: Arts and Culture (Chair: David Gellner)
	<i>Mobilizing for the future – with the past</i> , Ulrik Høj Johnsen
	<i>Elitist imaginaries through visual arts: the building of Nepal during the Panchayat</i> , Andrea de la Rubia
	<i>Missing Rani Pokhari</i> , Stefanie Lotter
	<i>Songs from a Nepali aftermath</i> , Michael Hutt
11.00-11.30	Tea/coffee (Conference room)
11.30-13.00	Panel 2: Mental Health (Chair: Pia Noel)
	<i>The Good, the Dead and the Other: Chronicles of a Nepali Phantasmicide</i> , Sam Poletti
	<i>Shamans, Counsellors, and the Church: Shifting Ecologies of (Mental Health) Care in Post-Earthquake Nepal</i> , Liana Chase
	<i>A case study of a social approach to community mental health in Nepal</i> , Bidya Maharjan, Sumeet Jain, Gael Robertson and Mark Smith
	<i>Life after armed group involvement in Nepal</i> , Emilie Medeiros
13.00-14.00	Lunch (Conference Room) (Also posters display)
14.00-15.30	Panel 3: Politics and Space (A) (Chair: Feyzi Ismail)
	<i>Nepali energy histories and narratives on Nepal-India relations: Nepal as “quasi-colony”</i> , Mikkel Vindegg
	<i>What’s not in a name? The significance of calling the Nepali lowlands ‘Madhes’ or ‘Tarai’</i> , Darshan Karki & Miriam Wenner
	<i>Displacement and Vulnerability: Understanding the consequences of interacting hazards in Post-Earthquake Nepal</i> , Kerstin Rieger
	<i>Impacts of Secondary Education Examination on students and parents in Nepal</i> , Saraswoti Dawadi

14.00-15.30	Panel 4: Development (A) (Chair: Heleen Plaisier)
	<i>The health risks of informal waste workers in the Kathmandu Valley</i> , Michelle Black, Jiban Karki, Andrew C.K. Lee , Prabina Makai, Yuba Raj Baral, Evangelos Kritsotakis, Adeline Bernier and Astrid Fossier Heckmann
	<i>Informal settlers and sustainable energy justice</i> , Ben Campbell
	<i>Reproduction of Trafficking phenomenon: A case of Nepal</i> , Shovita Dhakal Adhikari
	<i>Being “Gurkha”, Becoming British: Creativity and Diaspora Identity Formation Amongst Young Nepali Migrants</i> , Premila van Ommen
15.30-16.00	Tea/coffee
16.00-17.30	Panel 5: Gender (Chair: Mark Watson)
	<i>“Hear My Pain, I am a Human Too”</i> : Violence against Women and Girls with Disabilities during and Post 2015 Nepal Earthquake, Sapana Bista, Shaurabh Sharma, Kay Standing, Rose Khatri and Padam Simkhada
	<i>Localising the Global: a feminist analysis of violent nationalism and extremism</i> , Punam Yadav, Hanna Ketola and Heidi Riley
	<i>How much gendered is a migration decision-making process?</i> Sanjaya Aryal
	<i>Women construction workers in Nepal: negotiating precarity and agency</i> , Feyzi Ismail, Kalpana Wilson, Sambriddhi Kharel and Swechchha Dahal
17.30-18.15	Visit to Nepalese area of the Garden
18.15	BNAC Dissertation prize award
18.30-19.30	Dinner (Conference Room)
19.30-22.30	Ceilidh (Fletcher Building)

Day 2, 16 April 2019

(Venue: Seminar Room 1&2, Chrystal Macmillan Building, 15a George Square, Edinburgh)

09.15-10.15	Key Note by Stacy L. Pigg (Chair: Ian Harper)
10.15-10.45	Tea/coffee (Venue: Foyer)
10.45-12.15	Panel 6: Development (B) (Chair: Jeevan Sharma)
	<i>Building Capacity Not Infrastructure: Lessons from Hydropower Development</i> , Mark Liechty
	<i>Hururu Aayo Ra Gayo: Nepal's Post-Earthquake Development Surge</i> , Tracy Fehr
	<i>Hopes for development: visions of the future among Nepalese followers of a Japanese New Religion</i> , Marilena Frisone
	<i>Cooperative and Cohesion: Exploring the role of cooperatives as grassroots civil society organizations in Nepal</i> , Krishna Adhikari and David Gellner
12.15-13.30	Lunch (Venue: Foyer area)
12.45-13.30	BNAC General Council Meeting - BNAC members only (Seminar Room 1&2)
13.30-15.00	Panel 7: Politics and Space (B) (Chair: Punam Yadav)
	<i>Ruptured space and spatial estrangement: (Un)making of Tundikhel, Kathmandu</i> , Urmi Sengupta
	<i>Ganatantra Smarak (Republic Memorial): The politics of memory</i> , Bryony Whitmarsh
	<i>Part-time Peacekeepers: Impact of peacekeeping deployments on civil-military relations in Nepal</i> , Monalisa Adhikari
	<i>The Comprehensive Peace Agreement of Nepal: an analysis of its legal status and reception in Nepal's post-conflict legal order</i> , Sara Bertotti
15.00-15.30	Tea/coffee (Venue: Foyer)
15.30-17.00	Panel 8: Social Change (Chair: Colin Pendry)
	<i>Recent patterns of smaller scale agricultural and rural mechanization in Nepal: Causes and outcomes</i> , Stephen Biggs and Scott Justice
	<i>Changing relationships between people and plants: an ethnobotanical study of the village of Dandabas in central Nepal</i> , Kamal Adhikari
	<i>Mapping historical agrarian transformation and capitalist infiltration in a complex upland environment</i> , Fraser Sugden, David Seddon and Manita Raut
	<i>Impacts, Vulnerabilities and Adaptation of Climate Change on Nepalese</i> , Nimesh Shrestha