

**ABAN**

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**ASSOCIATION  
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BRITISH  
ALUMNI  
IN NEPAL****Issue No. 55 Jan – April 2012****Seventh Executive Committee****Quarterly News Bulletin****XIV AGM of ABAN and Election of 7th Executive Committee**

Fourteenth annual general meeting (AGM) of Association of British Alumni in Nepal (ABAN) was held on 28th January 2011 British Embassy Hall, Lainchour. The formal session was chaired by the President of the 7th Executive Committee Dr. Uma Shrivastava. The presence of ABANions was rather thin. Total number of members present was 48. According to the Statute and usual practice in the past; the meeting was called to a break and to reconvene after half an hour. The program Master of Ceremony was 7th Executive Committee Member Dr. Vishwa Prakash Shrivastava.

At the very outset all the present ABANions were requested to introduce themselves in brief. 7th Executive Committee Member Mr. Tulasi Upreti delivered a welcome address to officially welcome all the members present in the AGM. President Dr. Uma Shrivastava, 7th Executive Committee inaugurated the 14th AGM of ABAN by declaring it to order. The President also delivered a synopsis of past year activities & future program of the 7th Executive Committee of ABAN.

General Secretary Mr. Upendra Bahadur Shrestha, 7th Executive Committee, delivered the report of activities carried out during last one year. Mr. Binaya Hari Maskey, Treasurer, presented the financial report for the period of January 2010 to December 2011. Immediate Past President Mr. Lal K. C. also addressed the AGM.

Following activities are planned to be conducted during the remaining period of 7th Executive Committee. Concerned committee chairs are requested to take up the lead

**Networking and fundraising**

- ABAN day celebration as Social gathering
- Relationship building with partners
- Felicitations to the contributors
- Increase membership as much as possible
- Meeting with BNAC in March
- Website announcement to join BNAC- minimum response

**Environment**

- Plantation & "ABAN Park " please help me
  - Clean up campaign- Bagmati
  - Art for nature
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- Talk programmes in contemporary issues (at least 2)
  - Health Camp (1)
  - Blood Donation programme (1)
  - Statute amendment endorsement from CDO

## President's speech on 14th AGM

During my oath taking I had mentioned few points: 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee will try to strengthen & reinstate relationship between ABAN & British Authorities (The British Council & the Embassy). I am glad to say that at least we have been able to at least start the renewal of our relationship with the local British Authorities in Nepal. During the past year, we have had interaction with the British authorities as follows:

- Meeting with Director British Council on 30<sup>th</sup> Jan.2011
- Meeting with HE British Ambassador & Chief of DFID at British Embassy on 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011
- ABAN Day celebration on 4th February 2011 at the British Embassy Hall in the presence of His Excellency the Ambassador and the president of the British Council.  
This year we celebrated ABAN day with the theme " Mobilizing ABAN in social upliftment on
- ABAN President was invited to represent British scholars in a program to share experiences on UK education "Challenges & opportunities" at Everest Hotel. on 22nd Jan 2011.
  - Invitation as guest speaker to join the inaugural ceremony on Education UK exhibition Nepal at the World trade centre organized by The British Council on 12th Feb 2011. There were 20 UK institutions in the exhibition.
  - ABAN president was invited to various dinners organised by the British Embassy

In the last two programs mentioned above, I tried to emphasise on what one can do after returning from the UK by citing my own example.

I mentioned that we are about 500 members under the umbrella of ABAN and showed that British education has given us enough knowledge and moral conscience to motivate ourselves towards something positive.

Today, unfortunately, most of the students seeking education in the UK or elsewhere are not just looking for education. They want to make a happy-healthy life abroad after completing their education there. Most prospective students are not looking forward to returning to Nepal. I do not blame them. The overall situation in Nepal is responsible for that. Even parents do not want their children to stay in Nepal due the instability in the country. But, what we have to remember is that our country is where things have to be done. Learn from abroad- create opportunities yourself- and work in your own country. The pleasure one gets by serving the needy people is immense and cannot be expressed in words

Invitation as special guest speaker in an interaction program organized by INFOPLUS (Nepal's first abroad study program), Saujanya Media Pvt.ltd is organized special interaction program regarding 'UK education, opportunities and challenges at Nepal Tourism Board on 18th May, 2011 Infoplus had telecast the program through Kantipur Television.

The major issue of the program was on the great interest of Nepalese students to study in UK. Students reached UK for education through different tracts. Those who have scholarship can survive easily but those who do not face difficulties. For these students, to gain UK education it becomes a great challenge. Some students fail to continue further due to financial burden. I would like to draw attention to the University authorities to make use of these students after campus time & let them work in college premises part-time with minimum remuneration. Students will also have to work hard to gain teacher's attention. The teachers should expose students to different competitions with good scholarship or awards which can partially wave their fee.

In graduate & post-graduate studies there must be some sort of assistantship which may be beneficial for both the student as well as the teacher of concerned department. There are opportunities which you have to explore yourself. These are the examples of one step from our side many steps from theirs.

Next we promised to create a web site of ABAN: [www.aban.org.np](http://www.aban.org.np) . For EC members mailing group: [aban\\_executives@googlegroup.com](mailto:aban_executives@googlegroup.com) We also vowed to reduce expenditure as you know that there is no source of income for us. For this, we have now stopped the printing of News letters and are disseminating E-news letters through website admit that we have not been able to do much of social activities except for continuance of what was being done in the past. We had developed a fund for helping conflict victim children in Asahaya Kalyan Kendra – an orphanage and have been donating a sum of NRs. 10,000 each month. This fund was developed by generous donations from us ABANIONS and some other Non-ABANian generous people. Each donor has contributed a sum of NRs. 24,000 to the cause. I will once again take this opportunity to thank all of them involved in this endeavour. More donors are coming forward to give a helping hand and I call upon all ABANIONS to come and give us a helping hand. We have also generated a similar fund for helping some very underprivileged children through their studies by offering them a very small amount of NRs. 300-500 per month as scholarship. Most of the donors are the 7th EC members. I will take this opportunity to request you all to join hand in this endeavour for a good cause. There was sudden resignation of 7th executive ABAN General Secretary Mr. Prabhu Budathoki due to his long term professional commitment out of the country. Resigned from this post was effective from 18 Nov. 2011. The rearrangements of the vacant posts were done on the 17th Mansir 3rd Dec. 2011. at Nagatkot as advised by IPP Mr. Lal K.C . The replacements were as follows: ABAN's other activities include regular talk programmes on specialized topics, which are quite knowledgeable and help the audience to gather information on development of various fields. Three talk programs organized.

- In collaboration with Centre for Constitutional Dialogue (CCD), a talk program on “Crafting a New Nepal: Issues and Challenges” was held on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2011. The guest speaker was Dr Ramesh Dhungel. His talk focused on historical analysis of Nepali Nationalism and its challenges in the present political context.
- Another talk program on CCD Unleashing Nepal's Economic Potential – Challenges and Opportunities being organized on 25th May 2011
- A talk program on ' Microbiology in Public Health' was held on 8th July 2011 at British Council. . The Guest Speaker was Dr. Achyut Pd. Sharma. His presentation focused on the need of networking system in public health for early diagnosis and intervention.

As the President of ABAN, I was invited on official name change of Thames Valley University to the University of West London. Later Vice-Chancellor & Chief Executive of University of West London Prof. Peter D. John invited ABAN President for a Cocktails & Dinner on 14th June 2011 at the Hotel Annapurna.

**Treasurer's Report**  
(Delivered by Treasurer, Mr. Binaya Hari Maskey)

Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure, Cash Flow Statement, Receivable, Payable, etc. in summarized form.

FY	Balance Sheet	Income	Expenditure	Receivable	Payable	Remarks
	499,957.51	109,620.40	292,282.00	100.00	324,711.00	
20067/068	503,237.82	264,294.42	199,872.36	100.00	263,569.25	

The audit report for the fiscal year 067/068 is also attached herewith, for your discussion and subsequent approval from the AGM. Thank you all

Association Of British Alumni In Nepal

Kathmandu, Nepal

Schedule of F.Y. 067.68

**Trade & Other Receivable**

Schedule # 1

S.N.	Particular	Figure as at end of the current year	Figure as at end of the previous year
1	Hem Lal Aryal (M F)	100.00	100.00
	Total	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**Cash & Cash Equivalents**

Schedule # 2

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	N.B Bank Ltd.(A/c No.013831S)	153,946.75		154,229.44	
2	NMB Bank Ltd. (A/c No.00100001263C)	42,434.07		38,871.07	
	Total	<b>196,380.82</b>		<b>193,100.51</b>	

**Loan & Advance**

Schedule # 3

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Upendra Man Shrestha	6,757.00		6,757.00	
	Total	<b>6,757.00</b>		<b>6,757.00</b>	

**Deposits**

Schedule # 4

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Fixed Deposit in NB Bank Ltd.	100,000.00		100,000.00	
2	Fixed Deposit in NMB Bank Ltd.	200,000.00		200,000.00	
	Total	<b>300,000.00</b>		<b>300,000.00</b>	

**Trade & Other Payable**

Schedule # 5

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Audit Fee Payable	11,150.00		19,700.00	

2	House Rent Payable	178,200.00	178,200.00
3	Salary Payable	43,450.00	43,450.00
5	Salary T.D.S	-	300.00
6	Chandra Jyoti Press & Publication	394.03	-
7	Upendra Bdr. Shrestha	9,004.00	-
8	T.D.S on Advertisement Expenses	90.60	-
9	T.D.S. on AGM	292.00	-
10	Worldlink Communication Pvt. Ltd.	7,805.00	-
11	TDS on Communication	105.00	-
12	TDS on Audit Fee	150.00	150.00
13	Kalash Advertising Service	-	13,083.00
14	Ishan Pokhrel	-	16,039.50
15	Paras Mani Neupane	-	5,780.00
16	TDS on Ishan & Parash Mani Neupane	-	3,850.50
17	General Office Exp. Electricity, Tel & Water	12,879.00	12,879.00
18	Travelling & Other Expenses	49.62	1,650.00
19	Water Communication	-	12,769.00
20	British Embassy Kathmandu, sterling Club	-	3,110.00
21	TDS on House Rent	-	13,750.00
Total		<b>263,569.25</b>	<b>324,711.00</b>

#### Income

Schedule # 6

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Membership Fee (Life/Ordinary/Renual)	4,800.00		9,600.00	
2	Interest Income	22,224.42		19,722.10	
3	Other Income	237,270.00		80,498.30	
Total		<b>264,294.42</b>		<b>109,820.40</b>	

#### Direct Expenses

Schedule # 7

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Health Camp Expenses	3,850.00		8,000.00	
2	Basket & Carry Bag Purchase	1,380.00		-	
3	AGM Expenses	18,984.00		-	
4	Miscellaneous Expenses	-		4,110.00	
5	Printing & Publication Exp.	121,774.42		43,618.00	
Sub Total		<b>145,988.42</b>		<b>55,728.00</b>	

#### Administrative Expenses

Schedule # 8

S.N.	Particular	Rs.	P.	Rs.	P.
1	Audit fee	11,300.00		10,000.00	
2	Communication Expenses	7,910.00		-	
3	Refreshment Expenses	3,206.94		-	
4	Printing & Stationery	2,919.00		-	
5	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,580.00		-	
6	Tea & Snacks	2,995.00		-	
7	Photo Frame Expenses	7,060.00		-	
8	Advertisement	6,825.00		13,083.00	
9	Remuneration of Ishan & Parash Mani	-		25,670.00	

10	General Office Exp. Electricity, Tel & Water	-	12,879.00
11	Office Rent	-	137,500.00
12	Salary & Benefits	-	30,000.00
13	Travelling & Other Expenses	-	1,650.00
14	Renewal Expenses	1,455.00	1,455.00
15	Docment Preparation & Other Exp	8,383.00	4,067.00
16	Bank Charge	250.00	250.00
Total		<b>53,883.94</b>	<b>236,554.00</b>

### Reinforcing the Relationship:

ABAN President & Mr. V. P. Shrivastava(LM) were invited to a reception hosted by the British Ambassador on the occassion of Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth's birthday at the British Ambassador's residence (29th April 2012). Immediate Past President Mr. Lal K. C. & Mrs. Anita K. C. were also invited on the occasion.

### ABAN Day Celebration (4th February, 2011)

A grand event was organized at Budhanilkantha School to celebrate "ABAN Day ". More than 50 Abanions with their family were present at the event. The event Day was overlapped by the National festival "Chaite Dasain" & "Ram Navami" which affected the attendance of ABAN members.

The program was inaugurated by the Chief Guest His Excellency, British Ambassador John Tucknott. His Excellency gave his well wishes and assured that ABAN will be one of the organisers to celebrate the 200 years of friendship between Nepal and United Kingdom Director of British Council Dr. Robert Monroe expressed his interest in the welfare of ABAN.



Mr. Lal Krishna KC, Immediate Past President & Past President of ABAN Mrs. Namrata Sharma gave their well wishes and remarks. On the occassion His Excellency awarded certificate of appreciation to various personnel for their contribution to the various activities carried out by ABAN. A certificate of appreciation was given to Mr. Lal Krishna KC in recognition of his financial contribution to the progress of ABAN.



Likewise, certificate of appreciation were also given to doctors for conducting free health check up at Nagarkot. These doctors were Dr. Anil Pokharel (Nephro-Physician), thalmologist), Dr. Sumana Pokhrel (Physiotherapist) and Dr. Srijana Joshi (Medical officer). Certificate of appreciation were awarded to Dr. Ramesh Dhungel and Sujeev Shakya delivering a talk program.



Similarly a certificate of appreciation was given to Nagarkot VDC for their support in running health camp . Certificate of appreciation were awarded to the eye technician Tilganga Eye Hospital Mr. R.K.Shah & Mr. Rajesh Tandukar Eye Hospital for volunteering in the Health camp. Certificate of appreciation was also given to different medical companies: Everest Pharmaceuticals, Times pharmaceuticals, for providing the medicines and some logistics. Similarly certificate of appreciation was awarded to Mrs. Bina Ghimire, Mrs. Sajana Pokahrel, Mrs. Gita Gurung .Mrs. Sabita Timilsina, Mrs. Usha Dulal from Infertility Center for their voluntary support in running the Health camp & blood donation programs.



Likewise, certificate of appreciation was given to the students of Budhanilkantha School for their support in Inter- School art competition. The Principal of Budanilkantha School Mr. Narayan Prasad Sharma (LM ABAN) who generously offered Budanilkantha School as venue for ABAN Day celebration.

The premise had a suitable Hall for our program as well as a beautiful picnic venue for lunch. On the occasion, Mr. Sharma also expressed his best wishes.

The program was concluded by Dr. Uma Shrivastava, President of ABAN, by giving a short remark.



The event was followed by an entertaining cultural program. Famous Tabala badak Ms. Sarita Mishra played her Tabala with Mrs. Gyanu Radha Gorkhali played Sitar & touched the heart of audience. Later Singer Mrs.Sangita Pradhan sang various wonderful solo songs. In the mean time, Mr.Vishnu Dev played flute & Mr. Sangit Mandal played tabala & entertained the audience. The last item of the program was a beautiful dance by Miss.Dahal. This program was followed by snacks and lunch.







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