

ABAN and MSMT Serve Senior Citizens of Tapasthali Bridhasram



The Association of British Alumni in Nepal, in cooperation with Mrigendra Samjhana Medical Trust, has served 22 old aged ladies plus 4 staffs housed in the Tapasthali Bridhasram in Chapali, Budhanilkantha, Kathmandu on March 2, 2017.

When ABAN Executive Committee member Mrs. Padma Vaidya visited the Bridhasram on January 11, 2017, they requested for daily food items like beaten rice, dal, cooking oil, sugar, cornflakes, chocolates, washing soap, detergent, and a variety of green vegetables. All these items and other readymade food items were handed over directly to each of the old ladies there by Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey and his team as well as ABAN executive members, namely Mr. Tulasi Uprety, Mr. Punya Paudel, Mr. Uttam Lal Pradhan, Mrs. Shiba Kafle and Mrs. Padma Vaidya led by ABAN president Mr. Maheswor Bhakta Shrestha and his wife Pramila.



Tapasthali Bridhasram, set up by Mrs. Bhargavi some 24 years ago in a five ropani plot of land, is presently looked after by Mrs. Nanu Aryal (photo) as chairperson and Mrs. Usha Chalise as vice chairperson.



The Association of British Alumni in Nepal had earlier served the Bridhasram in 2008 with food items, cloths and fruits in a similar gesture of service to the senior citizens.



Association of British Alumni in Nepal (ABAN) is a not-for-profit social organization affiliated with the British Council, active for the welfare of the Nepalese, who studied in UK and pursue an interest in the socio-economic development of Nepal.

ABAN also works for cultural and educational exchange between Nepal and Britain.

ABAN is Tax Cleared until 2015/16 fiscal year

ABAN is a tax exempt Association from income tax. However, other taxes like VAT on expenses, and other taxes are payable. So, the tax office requires audited accounts with audit report duly approved by the annual general meeting.

ABAN accounts of fiscal year 2015/16 have been duly audited and the 19th AGM held on 4 February 2017 has passed the audit report. Based on such approved reports, the tax office of the government has issued a recommendation letter for renewal of ABAN's registration with the District offices.

The registration certificate of ABAN will now be renewed and updated after several years of backlog in this regard.



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यस कार्यालय अन्तर्गत दर्ता रहेका स्वामी लेखा नं. २०८०२५५९...भएका श्री. स. प्र. वि. वि. नं. ३५९... जिल्ला. स. प्र. नं. ३९९... ले आयकर विमावली, २०५९ को नियम (५) बमोजिम पेश गर्नुपर्ने आ. व. २०६२/६३ को विलिय विवरण मिति. २०६३/११/०५ मा पेश गरेकोले उक्त सस्था नियमानुसार नविकरण भएमा यस कार्यालयलाई बाधा नरहेको व्यहोरा अनुरोध गरिन्छ ।

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New Website Design



New Website Design of ABAN

Association of British Alumni has revised and updated its website in dynamic format: www.aban.org.np The site features:

- About ABAN • Statute
- Members • Executive Committee
- MOU with MSMT • Report
- Calender • Committee Plan
- Talk Program

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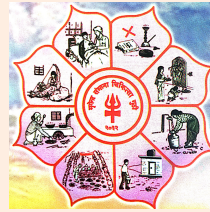
ABAN Life Member Talks about Project Performance



Dr. Min Bahadur Shrestha, ABAN Life member and Vice Chairman of the National Planning Commission said "Effective monitoring is a powerful tool to ramp up project performance, as it creates pressure on the project chief and contractors to deliver result within the desired timeframe". The government has declared the current fiscal year as the budget implementation year, as it spent just 23% of total allocated capital budget of Rs.312 billion.

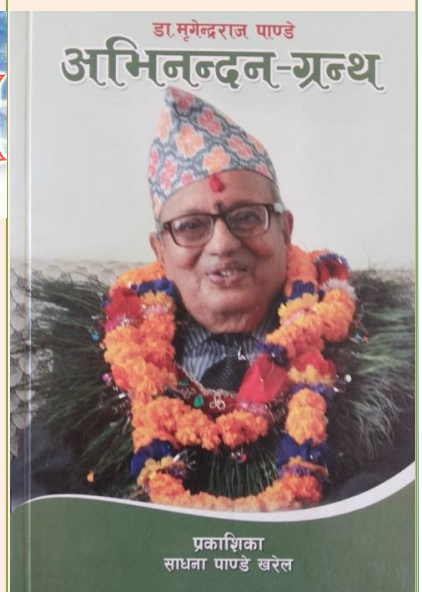
MSMT Awards ABAN on its 42th Anniversary

Mrigendra Samjhana Medical Trust celebrated its 42nd anniversary on 27th February 2017 in the presence of national poet Mr. Madhav Prasad Ghimire. The Trust handed Samjhana Memorial Gold Award to Dr. Jenisha Upadhaya who stood first in the MBBS exam of Tribhuvan University and scholarships to others.



On the occasion Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey gave a Token of Love (photo below) to ABAN through Vice President Mr. Tulasi Prasad Uprety in recognition of the newly established partnership to service the senior citizen of Nepal annually from the income of endowment fund of Rs.500,000 set up by the Trust. The Trust also contributed donations to other cooperating organizations like Nepal Diabetic Society, Primary Health Service Center, Tunaldevi, Ex. Employees Service Organization, Village Service Center, Tanahu etc. A sum of rupees one million was given to strengthen library of Nepal Health Research Academy, for Young Research Award and Rs.2 lacs to Simon for oration. Dr. Mrigendra also announced Narendra Pandey Fund of Rs.2.5 million to help cancer and heart patients.

Different organizations and institutions felicitated Dr. Mrigendra Raj on his 84th birthday celebration.



To celebrate the 84th birthday of Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey, chief guest national poet Mr. Madhav Prasad Ghimire also released a publication "Abhinandan Grantha" published by his daughter Ms. Sadhana Pandey Kharel. ABAN President Maheswor Bhakta Shrestha has also contributed in the publication with a write up on "Dr. Mrigendra As I Know Him".



First Meeting of 10th Executive Committee

ABAN President Mr. Maheswor Bhakta Shrestha welcomed the newly elected members of the 10th Executive Committee of ABAN as elected by the 19th AGM held on 4th February 2017. The first meeting of the 10th ECM discussed and decided the following agenda items:

2.1 Pledge to Work:

Each member of the 10th Executive Committee pledged to serve for the cause of ABAN as per its statutes, bylaws and good practices during its two years term.

2.2 Sub-Committees:

The meeting named the coordinators and members of different sub-committees as listed below to achieve the stated objectives of ABAN:

2.3 Appointment of VP:

As per the authority vested by the 19th AGM to fill up vacancies arising in the 10th ECM from within the Life Members, ECM member Mr. Tulasi Prasad Uptery was requested to fulfil the duties of Vice President during 2017-2019, and on his consurance, Mr. Uprety was appointed as Vice President for another two years effective from March 2017.

2.4 Approval of New Members:

Applications for Life Membership of ABAN were reviewed and following applicants have been approved as Life Members with immediate effect:

- 1) Ms. Rama Dahal (Chartered AC II) introduced by Mr. Uttam Prasad Pant

- 2) Mr. Urek Ranjit, University of Bradford 2008
- 3) Mr. Saraju Baidya

2.5 Approval of Expenses:

- a) **Printing cost of ABAN Magazine 2017** by The Square design Communications P. Ltd at Rs.144,640/- was approved and the expense was duly reimbursed by the British Council.
- b) **Printing of Newsletter** no.14 and binding of issue no 1-14 by Mass Printing Press Rs.25,425/- Rs.8,000/- paid to the collector of Advertising revenue at 5% to the of Rs.160,500/- collected on time.
- c) **Website redesign** in dynamic format plus annual renewal fee Rs.16,950 to Danfe Technologies
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- e) **19th AGM Expenses:**
 - 3 Tokens of Appreciation made by Sony Light & Sound Rs.7,458,
 - Flex prints by Spark Digital for Rs.2,375/-,
 - Snacks packets of Rs.9,000 supplied by Bhola P. Shrestha.

2.6 Service to Sr. Citizens

- a) Endowment fund of Rs.500,000/- received from Mrigendra Samjhana Medical Trust will be placed on fixed deposit in Mega Bank Nepal to earn annual interest for services to the senior citizens on annual basis.
- b) Rs.30,000/-, also received from MSMT, would be used for servicing senior citizens at Tapasthali Bridhhashram at Chapali on 2nd March 2017 with participation of Dr. Mrigendra and his team from the MSMT.

ABAN Sub-Committees 2017-2019

Sl	Sub-Committee	Coordinator	Member(s)
1	Cultural & Social	Mrs. Padma Vaidya	Dr. Prem Ratna Sthapit
2	Health & Medical	Dr. Nastu Sharma	
3	Educational	Mrs. Kalpalata Dahal	
4	Programme	Mr. Uttam Prasad Pant	Mr. Nava Raj Nakarmi
5	Publications	Mr. Punya Prasad Paudel	Mr. Bhisma Prasad Upreti
6	Membership Dev.	Mr. Tulasi Prasad Uprety	
7	Fund Raising	Mr. Hariom Dhoj Joshi	Mrs Shiba Devi Kaffle Mr. Madhav Pd. Bhatta
8	Networking	Mr. Shankar Pd. Paudel	Mr. Uttam Lal Pradhan
9	Advisory Council	Mr. Maheswor Shrestha	All Past Presidents

The coordinators will prepare an annual plan for discussion in the next meeting.



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The Superhero created based on the survey data from the WOW festival



Meet Your Super Hero Tika

To commemorate the International Women's Day, British Council Nepal presented the Ideal Super(S) hero - TIKA. British Council Nepal in partnership with Kazi Studio of Kathmandu ran an extensive survey at the WOW Kathmandu Festival held on Feb 18. TIKA came alive from the imaginations of the participants, who gave a vision of their Super (s) hero. On the second day of the International Women's Day, British Council presented the Ideal Super(s) hero – TIKA.

International School Award 2017-18

The British Council is taking applications for International School Award 2017-18. Please log on to www.britishcouncil.org.np for more information & application form. Deadline: April 17, 2017. More than five million pupils worldwide will benefit from global education program connecting UK classroom to > 30 countries around the world.



ABAN Magazine 2017



To celebrate the 19th Annual General Meeting on the ABAN Day of February 04, 2017, ABAN Magazine 2017 was published and released by the chief guest of the occasion Dr. Jiba Raj Pokhrel, Vice Chancellor of NAST, who described it as having an attractive cover and very insightful contents. So, he likes the magazine from Cover to Contents.

The contents of the Magazine cover messages of HM British Ambassador of Britain HE Richard Morris, Country Director of the British Council Dr. Jovan Ilic, President of Nepal-Britain Chamber of Commerce Mr. Rajendra K. Khetan; annual activity report, some facts about Nepal- Britain relations and insightful articles by the past presidents, president and life members of ABAN. Dr. Suresh C. Chalise and Mr. Deepak Thapa of the Kathmandu Post have so eloquently depicted the 200 years of Nepal-Britain relations, which is based on mutual trust understanding, goodwill and cooperation.

The magazine included 14 topical articles, statute, audit reports, PAN/ Tax clearance, Registration certificates and other documents about the Association.

The ABAN Magazine 2017 has generated Rs.220,500/- advertising revenue (including Rs.60,000 yet to be collected) as surplus to the ABAN fund, because the cost of printing the magazine was fully paid for by the British Council. This is the highest contribution by any publications so far in the history of ABAN.

The Magazine has thus successfully helped to tighten the relations between Nepal and Britain, while at the same time has significantly strengthened the financial health of the Association.

Tenth Executive Committee Members of ABAN

The nineteenth annual general meeting of ABAN held on 4th February 2017 has approved with applause the following names in the tenth Executive Committee:

1. President: Mr. Maheswor B. Shrestha
2. General Secretary: Mr. Uttam Pant
3. Treasurer: Mr. Hariom Dhoj Joshi
4. Asst. Treasurer: Mrs. Shiba Devi Kafle
5. Member: Mr. Tulasi Prasad Uprety
6. Member: Mr. Madhav Prasad Bhatta
7. Member: Mr. Punya Prasad Paudel
8. Member: Mrs. Padma Vaidya
9. Member: Dr. Prerm Ratna Sthapit
10. Member: Mr. Uttam Lal Pradhan
11. Member: Mr. Bhisma Uprety
12. Member: Mr. Nava Raj Nakarmi
13. Member: Mrs. Kalpa Lata Dahal
14. IPP: Mr. Shanker Prasad Paudel.

VP Tulasi Uprety on Kantipur TV

Talks about situation of Micro credit in Nepal



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New Life Members Joining ABAN from August 2015

1. Dr. Nastu Prasad Sharma (ID 491)
2. Miss Sanjivani Shrestha (ID 492)
3. Mr. Punya Prasad Paudel (ID116 Ord. to Life)
4. Mr. Govinda Neupane (ID 493)
5. Mr. Janak Sharma Paudel (ID 494)
6. Mr. Shakti Kumar Golyan (ID 495)
7. Dr. Dhruva Pd. Acharya (ID143 Ord. to Life)
8. Mr. Ushik Shrestha (ID 496)
9. Miss. Pratigya Thapa (ID 497)
10. Mr. Laba Prasad Tripathi (ID 498)
11. Mr. Subin Man Pradhan (ID 499)
12. Dr. Mrigendra Raj Pandey (ID 500)
13. Mr. Prateek Man Singh (ID 501)
14. Mr. Rabindra Mananda Bajracharya (ID 502)
15. Mr. Ramesh Maskey (ID 503)
16. Mr. Tirtha Bahadur Joshi (ID 504)
17. Mr. Moti Prasad Thapa (ID 505)
18. Dr. Prem Singh Basnyat (ID 506)
19. Mrs. Rama Dahal (ID 507)
20. Mr. Eurek Ranjit (ID 508)
21. Mr. Saraju Baidya (ID 509)

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ABAN Calendar of Events 2017-2019

Month of 2017	Main Activities
January 27	15th ECM meeting 14th issue of ABAN Newsletter
February 04 February 21	19th AGM and ABAN Day held 1st ECM meeting of the 10th ECM and 15th issue of ABAN Newsletter published
March 02 March March	Service to senior citizens of Tapasthali Bridhashram, Chapali 2nd Executive Committee meeting Talk program