



President's Report III

Warm greetings to all my colleagues of the ICC!

Today, we are all engrossed by the global threats presented by the Corona virus and its effects on the global health, movement and the economy. Let us all take extra precautions, remain calm and united, cooperate and support each other in encountering this pandemic.

I now take permission to present a brief synopsis of my third report after I assumed the Presidency of NRNA ICC to the ICC.

Meeting with the Chair of Law Commission

On 15th January, 2020; NRNA delegation led by me met with the Chair and representative of Law Commission; where discussion on NRN Act 2064 and Bylaws 2066 were held and its implications in relation to the NRN Citizenship provisioned by the Constitution of Nepal 2072. During the meeting, a written suggestion on the behalf of NRNA on the proposed amendments on the Act and the Bylaws was also handed to the Chair of the Law Commission.



Meeting with the CEO of National Reconstruction Authority (NRA)

On 16 January, 2020; we met with the CEO of NRA, Sushil Gyawali, where I briefed him on the developments of Laprak Model Settlement Development Project (LMSDP) and requested NRA's support in developing the required infrastructures for the project as NRA has been providing the same for other such instances. The CEO mentioned that he would look into the possibilities and NRA would contribute in developing the required infrastructures.



Meeting with the Foreign Secretary

On 17th January, 2020; we participated in a preparatory meeting for the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention chaired by the Foreign Secretary, where representatives of all inter related ministries and departments were present.



Participation in the F2F meeting from 18th to 19th January, 2020

I, along with many ICC members and advisors; participated in the Face to Face meeting held from 18th to 19th January, 2020 in Rupakot, Gandaki Province where internal and operational matters related to NRNA were discussed.



Meeting with Chief Minister of Gandaki Province

On 20th January, 2020, we held an interaction program with the representatives of Gandaki Province in the presence of the Chief Minister, Honorable Prithivi Subbha Gurung; where possibilities of NRN's investment in the Province was the main focus. The Chief Minister thanked NRNA for holding its F2F meeting in the Gandaki Province and promised to facilitate NRN investment in the Province.



Meeting with VC of National Planning Commission (NPC)

On 23rd January, 2020; we held a meeting with the representatives of the National Planning Commission (NPC) in the presence of the VC of NPC, where preparations for the 2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention were discussed. Similarly, a meeting to discuss on the same topic, was held with the experts of Tribhuvan University. Everyone seemed to be eager in holding the convention.



Meeting with representatives of Nepal Banker's Association

On 23rd January, 2020; we held a meeting with the representatives of the Nepal Banker's Association, where the possibilities of contribution to NRNA Foreign Employment Relief Fund based on the remittance received was discussed. The association principally agreed to the concept and promised to support once the proposal was finalized.



Meeting with PM of Nepal

On 25th January, 2020; we held a meeting with the Rt. Honorable Prime Minister, KP Oli, where issues related to NRNs and NRNA were discussed. Special focus was given to the delay in promulgating the NRN Citizenship Act, contribution to NRNA Foreign Employment Relief Fund based on the remittance received, 2nd NRN Global Convention and NRN investment fund.

The PM informed that he was very positive to the issues related to NRNs and promised that he would facilitate in the policy formulation on issues raised by the delegation.



Second meeting with the CEO of National Reconstruction Authority (NRA)



On 27th January, 2020; we again met with the CEO of NRA to inform him that activities related to LMSDP were being undertaken with the objective of officially handing over the houses to the beneficiaries on 12th Baisak, 2077. We also requested him to expedite the construction of the infrastructures.

The CEO of NRA informed that NRA would provide similar grant as provided in other cases for the infrastructure development and added that an all-party monitoring committee and a taskforce had been formed to see smooth operations. During the meeting the member of parliament from Gorkha, Honorable Hari Adhikari was also present.

Meeting with Hon. Minister of Labor, Employment and Social Security

On 30th January, 2020; we met with the Honorable Minister of Labor, Employment and Social Security, Rameshwar Ray Yadav, to brief him on the initiations taken by NRNA in making foreign employment safe, organized and dignified; situations of the migrant workers, the need for establishing social welfare fund for migrant workers and NRNA Foreign Employment Relief Fund.

The minister informed that the welfare of the migrant workers was always the top priority of the ministry and was ready to facilitate in supporting issues raised by the delegates. The secretary of the ministry, Binod KC, was also present during the meeting.



Participation in the celebration of 15th anniversary of NCC UK

On 5th March, 2020; I participated in the celebration of the 15th anniversary of NCC UK and during my address I informed the participants on the preparation being undertaken for the US \$ 100 million (10 billion NPRs) NRN investment project; highlighting on the desire of all NRNs to see Nepal become a prosperous nation. Similarly, I also informed the gathering on issues such as NRNA Building, LMSDP and NRN Citizenship. I also took this opportunity to congratulate and acknowledge the contribution of NCC UK for the NRN movement.



Meeting with Cooperation with Gurkhas Committee

On 6th March, 2020; an interaction program was held with the Cooperation with Gurkha Committee, where the chair of the committee Chandra Gurung and other stakeholders were present. During the meeting the seniors of the British Gurkha community expressed their interest to work together with NRNA on issues related to both the institution such as NRN Citizenship and right to property in Nepal.

I informed that NRNA has always been lobbying with the Nepal Government on these issues and suggested that cooperation and coordination with the Gurkha could make it more fruitful.



Participated in the meeting organized by the NRNA ICC Health Committee

On 8th March, 2020; I participated in the global health professionals meeting organized by NRNA ICC Health Committee to address issues related to Corona virus. I strongly believe that our global efforts will definitely help raise awareness and contribute in supporting national and local authorities to keep abreast with the latest developments and will provide the most up to date information on whether COVID-19 is spreading locally and best advice on protection and help prevent the spread of virus and other infections. I thank the Health Committee for organizing such an important meeting timely.

Due Diligence Report

Due Diligence Report on NRNA Mega Projects, Laprak Model Settle Development Project and NRNA Building, has been completed and the evaluator has submitted their report. This report has been forwarded to the Treasurer and once finalized by the NRNA ICC Audit Committed, will be shared with the ICC.

Case filed by CIAA against NRNA

The Commission on Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA) has filed a case against NRNA in the Special Court; stating that, though NRNA has not done anything illegal; it must relinquish the ownership of the land and hand it over to the government as it belongs to the government.

NRNA has formed a three-member committee; the coordination of this committee is the Treasurer and the other members are past patron, Dil Gurung, and the CEO of the NRNA Secretariat, to address this issue.

Meeting with the past presidents of NRNA ICC.

I am also in contact with all the past presidents and patrons of NRNA ICC and trying to finalize a date and place for a face to face meeting to address and resolve issues related to the NRNA Building.

Your suggestions, comments and feedbacks are highly appreciated.

Thank you!

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