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## **EDUCATION**

### **Ph.D. Conflict Analysis and Resolution**

George Mason University, Virginia (2019)

### **MA. Conflict Analysis and Resolution**

University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, UK (2008)

### **MA. English Literature**

Pokhara University (2005).

## **ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS**

- **Open Institute for Social Science, Kathmandu, Nepal**  
Co-Founder and Faculty, Sept. 2019-Present
- **Department of Peace Conflict and Development Studies, Tribhuvan University**  
Curriculum Development Advisor and Visiting Faculty for Graduate Studies/MPhil/PhD,  
Jan 2017-Present
- **Nepal Army War College, Kathmandu, Nepal**  
Visiting Professor June 2020 – Present
- **School for International Training, Vermont, USA, January 2022-May 2024.**  
Affiliated Faculty.
- **George Mason University, Virginia.**  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Jimmy and Roselyn Carter School for Conflict and Analysis  
and Resolution, Fall 2014
- **National Defense University, Washington, DC**  
Teaching Assistant, May 2009-May 2010.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT**

Provides service as a policy analyst to the UN agencies and other international organizations related to Climate Change and the Environment, Peace and Conflict issues.

## **TEACHING:**

- **Open Institute for Social Science, Kathmandu, Nepal**  
I teach courses on research: Critical Epistemology and Methodology, and Field Methods.
- **Department of Conflict, Peace and Development Studies, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal**  
I teach MPhil/PhD course on Qualitative Foundation: Peace and Conflict Studies in Humanities.

## **REGULARLY LECTURED TOPICS:**

Environmental Justice, Climate Change and Conflict, Peacebuilding, Theories of Peace and Conflict, and International Relations and Geopolitics

## **NOTBALE PUBLICATIONS**

- “Tipping the Balance Between People and Wildlife: Seeking Environmental Justice in Nepal’s Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve,” A book chapter, scheduled to be published in 2025 by Routledge.
- “Toward indigenous methodologies and environmental peacebuilding: A study on water projects in Nepal. *Environment and Security*, 2(1), 105-120. <https://doi.org/10.1177/27538796241231388>
- [“Nepal in the New Political Order,”](#) *Nepali Times*, 19 April 2022.
- [“Rethinking Conservation Model,”](#) *The Record*, 5 November 2021.
- [“Future of Democracy in Asia,”](#) *The Kathmandu Post*, 10 June 2021.
- [“Asia’s New Cold War,”](#) *Nepali Times*, 7 March 2021.
- “Generation Z” and Future for Democracy in Myanmar, *Nayapatrika National Daily*, 8 April 2021.
- [“Why can’t we talk about conflict in Nepal anymore,”](#) *The Record*, 16 October 2019
- The New Federal Restructuring and Social Movements Demands: A Critical Study Community Forestry Policies and Practices in Nepal (2017). A Policy Briefing wrote for Alliance for Social Dialogue/Open Society Foundation.
- [Identity Politics and Federalism in Nepal](#) (2010). The International Crisis Group.
- Violence Against Women and Access to Justice in Nepal (2013). The Asia Foundation.
- “The Reintegration of the Maoists Combatants: What Do We Need to Know?” in (edit.) Adhikari, P., Ghimire, S., and Maillik, V.), *Nepal Transition to Peace: A Decade of the Comprehensive Peace Accord (2006 - 2016)*, Nepal Transition to Peace Institute (2016).

## **MEDIA APPEARANCE**

- “Myanmar coup and its implication in the region,” Nepal Press, 31 March 2021
- “How Peaceful is Nepal” [The Record](#), 10 March 2021.
- BIMSTEC and coup in Myanmar,” Nepal Press, 1 February 2021.
- “Natural resources exploitation and indigenous people in the Easter Hills of Nepal,” Menchhyayem Community Radio, 1 January 2021
- “Scientific forest management and its implication,” BBC Nepali Service, 19 May 2018.

## **INVITED SPEAKER**

- *Speaker. Methodologies for Knowledge Co-Production in Social Sciences Research, [Himalayan Climate Data Filed Lab](#), May 2024.*
- *Speaker. [Corruption and Good Governance in Nepal](#), Center for Media and Research, Kathmandu, December 2023.*
- *Speaker. “[ECOCIDE: Leveraging the Law to Prevent Environmental Destruction](#),” The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies Geneva, Geneva Switzerland, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021.*
- *Panelist. “Intersections with Indigenous Issues: Environmental Conflict & Security,” Worcester University, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, 14 Jan. 2021.*
- *Speaker. “Contemporary Political Scenario and Regimes Changes in Nepal,” Department of Conflict, Peace and Development, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, 28 Dec. 2020.*
- *Speaker. “[Pandemic, State and Peace in Nepal](#),” Department of Conflict, Peace and Development, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, July 2020.*

- *Speaker. "Impact of COVID-19 on SDG 16 in Nepal,"* Working Group on "SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions," (organized by three Universities in Nepal) Kathmandu, Aug. 2020.

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATIONS**

- Panelist. *Tipping the Balance Between People and Wildlife: Seeking Environmental Justice in Nepal's Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve,* Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, University of Hawaii, April 2024.
- "Human Wildlife Conflict and Environmental Justice in Nepal's Protected Areas." Paper presented in authors' conference, Kathmandu, January 2022.
- *Expendables? Environmental Authoritarianism and Indigenous Communities: An Observation from Nepal's Protected Area Governance,* International Conference of Peace and Conflict Resolution, Tomorrow People Organization, Virtual, November 2021.
- *Contesting the "Local:" Peacebuilding and Natural Resource Management in Myanmar and Nepal,* "International Peace and Conflict Resolution Conference," Bangkok, Thailand, Nov. 2017.
- *Politics of Environment: From Conservation to Conflict resolution in Myanmar and Nepal,* International Studies Associations, Hong Kong University, Hong Kong, June 2017.
- *Nepali-Burmese: The Selective Choices of Maintaining Rigid and Fluid Ethnic Boundaries,* "International Limbu Conference," Jhapa, Nepal, October 2016.
- *Linking Theory to Practice with Classroom-Based Experiential Learning Activities.* International Summit on Conflict Resolution Education, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA. June 2014.
- *Looking Both Ways: Reflection & Debriefing as Capacity Building in Experiential Learning,* "Conference on International Teaching and Learning" George Mason University, Fairfax, VA. USA. Sept. 2013.