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Urban Challenges in Post Disaster Nepal

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Mr. Padma Sunder Joshi is the Habitat Programme Manager for UN-Habitat Nepal. He is a civil engineer by training. He completed his M. Sc. in Resources Engineering from the University of Karlsruhe, Germany and Post Graduate Diploma from IHE, the Netherlands. He worked for Institute of Engineering, Tribhuvan University as Associate Professor till 2010. In between he worked as an advisor to the mayor of Kathmandu Metropolitan City for five years. He also worked as the Co-director of Kathmandu Valley Mapping Programme and Municipal Infrastructure Improvement Programme for the city of Kathmandu. At present he is leading UN-Habitat programmes in Nepal. In the aftermath of the April earthquake he is leading the UN-Habitat team in housing reconstruction to support the government's initiatives.



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Monthly Discussion Series on Cities and Urbanization @ Martin Chautari

Nepal has the highest urbanization rate in South Asia according to recent reports. This discussion series aims to address this development by promoting conversations and facilitating exchange for a more multifaceted understanding of urbanization. Touching on a variety of topics, the series will be of interest to groups and individuals working on or studying urbanization and related processes and issues such as land tenure security, access to basic services such as water and sanitation, accountable governance, housing/shelter rights, land rights, women's rights and participation, political processes and conflict, resource management, and infrastructure development.

A platform for speakers from a variety of fields will be provided: governmental sectors, NGOs and INGOs, private businesses, community-based organizations, political parties, local *tole/wada* organizations, media houses, and academia/research organizations. Martin Chautari hopes to encourage discussions that will help raise, clarify, and problematize particular themes and issues related to urbanization and, over time, facilitate cooperation between participants to think about possible solutions to the host of challenges and contestations fostered by urban environments.

शहरीकरण छलफल श्रृंखला

मार्टिन चौतारिले शहरीकरणका विविध आयामबारे छलफल श्रृंखला सुरु गरेको छ। शहरीकरणको बहुआयमिक पक्षबारे छलफल गर्नु यस श्रृंखलाको उद्देश्य हो। पछिल्लो समय शहरीकरणबारे प्रकाशित भएका तथ्यांकलाई आधार मान्दा नेपालको शहरीकरण दर दक्षिण एसियामै उच्च रहेको देखाउँछ। नेपालमा शहरीकरणको दर तीव्र भए पनि यसका समस्या र सम्भावनाबारे सार्वजनिक तहमा जुन रूपमा बहस हुनुपर्ने त्यो भएको छैन। यसै सन्दर्भमा शहर र शहरीकरणबारे चासो राख्ने विभिन्न निकायहरू, सरकारी तथा गैरसरकारी संघसंस्था, व्यापारी, राजनीतिक दल, सञ्चार गृह, अनुसन्धानकर्ता र सर्वसाधारण, आदिले आ-आफ्ना विचारहरू आदानप्रदान गर्ने थलोको रूपमा यो श्रृंखलालाई विकास गर्ने लक्ष्य राखिएको छ। यस्तो छलफल श्रृंखलाबाट शहरीकरणका विभिन्न मुद्दाहरूबारे सरोकार राख्ने सबैले लाभ लिन सक्नेछन् भन्ने हाम्रो विश्वास छ। यस छलफल श्रृंखलामा तपाईंको सक्रिय सहभागिताको हामी अपेक्षा गर्दछौं।

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