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## Nepal National Library Marks 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Nepal National Library celebrated its 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary on 3 January 2019 organizing a discussion program on "Design and Construction of Nepal National Library's Building Reflecting Art and Architecture (Arts, Culture and Tradition) of Nepal". Former Chief Librarian of NNL Mr. Dashrath Thapa chaired the Program. Mr. Khaga Raj Baral, Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST) was the Chief Guest, whereas, Mr. Krishna Raj B. C., Secretary (Science and Technology), MOEST was the Special Guest. Similarly, Library expert Ms. Indira Dali, Chief Librarian of Kaiser Library Mr. Dashrath Mishra, Library lovers Ms. Geeta Thapa, Author/Journalist Mr. Prakash A Raj were the Guests.



Mr. Upendra Prasad Mainali, Chief Librarian of NNL addressed the program with a welcome speech and requested all participants for suggesting the design of NNL building. He expressed his sadness for not being able to withdraw microfilm section from devastated NNL building and around 1,50,000 documents being inaccessible for users.

He also cleared that collections of NNL are out of sacks and shelved in book shelves in Mahendra Bhawan, Kathmandu

and National Center for Educational Development, Bhaktapur. He also stated that NNL is in pathetic situation as the Government of Nepal has decided to build the Guesthouse where NNL is located now.



Mr. Khaga Raj Baral addressing the program stated that new building would reflect the Nepalese architecture and would be sophisticated and technology friendly. The blue print of the building would be sketched by the Nepalis engineer. He further added that national library is a priceless wealth of the country and requested all the participants to suggest the appropriate design of the building.

Similarly, Mr. Krishna Raj B. C. stressed on NNL as the precious property of nation which depicts economic, educational and social development of the country. Government of Nepal is therefore fully committed to construction building and assured the library would be technology friendly. He also added that library is the repository of knowledge which develops the reading habit. He further added, the library which is going to constructed in the heart of Kathmandu Valley, Jamal would be the national heritage.

Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula focused on the government process to build the NNL building in Jamal. Dr. Ashok Thapa reminded while building the library it must keep in mind the differently abled patrons. On the same occasion, Ms. Gita Thapa suggested to study and research the various renowned libraries of the world and construct technology and environment friendly building.

Likewise, Ms. Indira Dali remembered the struggle that library advocates had to face for the land and thanked all stakeholders who played vital role for achievement, especially Honorable Minister Giriraj Mani Pokhrel, MoEST. Similarly, Chief Librarian of Kaiser Library Mr. Dashrath Mishra and Author/Journalist Mr. Prakash A Raj congratulated NNL for the achievement.

Library Officer Mr. Prem Raj Adhikari was the Master of Ceremony. He also presented the 'Current progress and status of the Nepal National Library.'

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## Training/Workshop on Koha ILS and DSpace



Nepal National Library conducted in-house on the job capacity building training from 13-24 February, 2019 with a motive to make its staff friendly with integrated software Koha and DSpace and enhance their skill. Opening session of the training as chaired by Ms. Indira Dali, Senior Library Advocate, Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula, Under Secretary, Library Coordination and Documentation Section, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology was the Chief Guest and Ms. Chandra Kiran Shrestha, Senior Program Officer of Resource Centre for Primary Health Care was the Guest.

The training was commemorated with a welcome speech by Mr. Upendra Prasad Mainali, Chief Librarian of NNL. He highlighted on the aim of training and wished for its success with an assurance that the training would motivate the staffs and creates quality metadata as well as bibliographical database. Similarly, Ms. Chandra Kiran Shrestha shared her experiences on digitization as well as suggested the participants. When she started the digitization, she faced some difficulties. The digitized materials were blurring when printed. She suggested digitization should be done in appropriate DPI (dots per inch) and must consult digitization specialists. Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula stressed on the importance of digitization in NNL and appreciated the effort. Ms. Indira Dali appreciating the training mentioned an unfortunate cause of prominent situation of libraries due to the lack of skilled manpower in IT. She further said that if the library sector had at least 5 highly skilled manpower in IT, the situation of libraries in Nepal would have been promisingly different. She lastly suggested the facilitator to instruct the trainees the way they can troubleshoot the upcoming problems they may face. Facilitator Mr. Dibyendra Hyoju, facilitator of the training highlighted on the schedule of the training. The training covered all the modules of Koha (Circulation, Cataloguing, Patrons, Serials, Acquisitions, Reports, Tools, Authorities, Koha administration, Basic customization of OPAC interface, etc.) and DSpace in details.

## Celebration of National Peace Day

Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library (DKRML) remembered late Dr. Dilliraman Regmi on the occasion of his 106<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary and National Peace Day on 18 December 2018.



The program was inaugurated lighting the ceremonial lamp and offering garlands on the photos of late Dr. Dilliraman Regmi by the Chief Guest Mr. Hariram Joshi, Culture expert and Archeologist. Prof. Dr. Mohan Lohani, Ex-ambassador Dr. Bishnuhari Nepal and Mr. Prem Chhota, Former President of DKRML Development Committee were the Special Guests for the program. Mr. Joshi highlighted the peace, truth and non-violence aspect of Regmi's lifetime. He further added the Government of Nepal must award Dr. Regmi with the posthumous award. Mr. Chhota, Dr. Lohani and Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula, Under Secretary of Library Coordination and Documentation Section of MoEST spoke on Regmi's personality and his contribution. On the same event 21 individuals donated blood.



## Discussion Program on Peace and Non Violence

Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library Development Committee and Embassy of India in Kathmandu, Nepal jointly organized a 'Talk Program on Mahatma Gandhi: Peace, Non-violence and Humanity on 30 January, 2019 to honor Mahatma Gandhi, the pre-eminent leader of the Indian independent who achieved his goal through a strategy of non-violence. The Chair Person for the program was Dr. Tulasi Prasad Bhattarai, President of Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library Development Committee. The Chief Guest was Mr. Ganga Prasad Upreti, Chancellor of



Nepal Academy; the Special Guest was Mr. Manjeev Singh Puri, Indian Ambassador to Nepal and the Guests were Mr. Jaya Raj Acharya, Ex-Ambassador; Mr. Ganesh Shah, Ex-Minister for Environment, Science and Technology and Mr. Mahesh Sharma, Chief Librarian of Nepal-Bharat Library.



"Such a mutual program can contribute on social, cultural and political field between the two countries." Mr. Ganga Prasad Upreti emphasized. He further added Gandhi was the world leader for peace, non-violence and humane values. He also stressed on Gandhi's inspiration of truth, peace, non-violence and conflict resolution can change political status as well as inspire social transformation. Likewise, Mr. Manjeev Singh Puri also spoke on the importance of Gandhi's philosophy. Mr. Jaya Raj Acharya presented the paper on "Mahatma Gandhi's Relevance Today". Mr. Ganesh Shah and Dr. Tulasi Prasad Bhattarai also highlighted on Gandhi's philosophy. Gandhi inspired the world in the political, philosophical and spiritual realms through his pioneering use of "satyagraha". Mr. Bhola Kumar Shrestha, Librarian of Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library was the Master of Ceremony for the program.

### Training on Library Automation System



Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library (DKRML) organized three days 'Library Automation System' training from 4 January 2019. Altogether 20 participants participated in the training. On the closing ceremony, Member of Dilliraman Kalyani Regmi Memorial Library Development Committee Ms. Indira Dali distributed certificates to the participants.

### Tribhuvan University Central Library (TUCL)

#### Visit of Parliamentarians



A team of Upper House Parliamentarians paid an inspection visit to T.U. Central Library on 6 December 2018 to ascertain the archival, periodical as well as library's over all activities. The team was headed by Upper House Member Honorable Mr. Ram Narayan Bidari along with Honorable Mr. Radheshyam Adhikari. They were accompanied by Parliament Librarian Ms. Kamala Sharma and other officials of the Upper House Parliament Secretariat. They inspected the library's Archive section, ISBN section, Periodical section, IT section and other sections. On the occasion, Tribhuvan University's Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Tirtha Raj Khaniya, Rector Prof. Dr. Sudha Tripathi and Registrar Prof. Dilli Ram Uprety were also present.

Before inspecting the sections they had a short meeting in the library with the University's high ranking officials and the library staff. Welcoming the delegates, the Chief Librarian Mr. I.P. Adhikari presented a short introduction of the library as well as the status of the Archival section of the library and answered the questions raised by the parliamentarians. The parliamentarians asked if any kind of help could T.U. Central Library extend to government libraries to improve government libraries' organizational status. Chief librarian Mr. Adhikari happily expressed his willingness to help other libraries of the country if such help is sought.

#### E-Resources Seminars Held



On the request of various academic institutions located within Kathmandu valley, Tribhuvan University Central Library (TUCL) has been conducting half-day seminars every now and then at their institutions to make their faculty members, librarians and IT in-charge aware of the



e-resources TUCL subscribes to and let the institutions know about getting connected to TUCL's databases in order to make use of those e-resources. During those seminars TUCL senior staff including the Chief Librarian Mr. I.P. Adhikari and IT in-charge Mr. Geba Nath Nyaupane briefed the faculty members about subscribed e-resources, open e-resources, free e-resources and also the e-resources of TUCL viz. Nepal Journals Online (NepJOL), e-theses, OPAC etc.

The institutions are registered in the e-resources system of TUCL and are facilitated with easy access to all the e-resources. Within the last six months, TUCL has conducted such seminars at more than half-a-dozen academic institutions within Kathmandu Valley, viz. Xavier International College, Chabahil; Pentagon college, Minbhawan; Public Administration campus, Balkhu; Apex college, Baneshwor; Kathmandu Model College, Lalitpur and T.U. Research Centre for Educational Innovation and Development (CERID).

### In-Service Training Conducted:



In order to strengthen the condition of Tribhuvan University's constituent campus libraries all over Nepal and to work for capacity building of library staff, TUCL has been conducting in-service training. In this series, TUCL successfully conducted eight days training at Butwal for junior staff of T.U. constituent campus libraries from 31 March to 7 April 2019 at Butwal Multiple Campus. 23 participants from Province No. 7 (Eastern to Far Western Region) of Nepal attended the in-service refresher training course. The resource persons Mr. I.P. Adhikari, Chief Librarian of TUCL; Mr. Lal Bahadur Chauhan from Mahendra Ratna Campus, Tahachal, Kathmandu; Mr. Bijay Pokhrel from Nepal Law Campus, Kathmandu and Mr. Bijaya Sharma of TUCL himself facilitated the training in interactive manner consisting of lectures, practical sessions, computers and e-resources knowledge, presentations, game playing and test in alignment with trainees' requirements. On the concluding day, the Dean of Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Shiva Lal Bhusal distributed the certificates to the trainees.

### Training Workshop on Digital Health Information : Focus on R4L



Resource Centre for Primary Health Care (RECPHEC) organized 3 days training entitled **"Training Workshop on Digital Health Information : Focus on R4L (Research4Life)"** from 31 March to 2 April 2019 at Meeting Point (SAP Falcha) Babar Mahal, Kathmandu with the objectives to gain knowledge and skill on health information services focusing R4L program, to build capacity and enhance librarians' knowledge in R4L and other databases, to share and disseminate health information and access of R4L program and other available information, to build a network among their common interest .

30 (20 male and 10 female) participants representing 29 organizations participants included medical doctors, health science and public health teachers, students, environment and agriculture, social development workers, women activist, librarians from goverment, academic institution, and NGO.

Research4Life is the collective name for the five programmes – Hinari, AGORA, OARE, ARDI and GOALI –

HINARI : Access to Research for Health Program

AGORA: Access to global online research in agriculture

OARE : Access to research in the environment

ARDI : Access to research for innovation

GOALI : Access to research for global justice

It provide developing countries with free or low-cost access to academic and professional peer-reviewed content online. Research4Life is a public-private partnership of the WHO, FAO, UNEP, WIPO, ILO, Cornell and Yale Universities, The International Association of Scientific, Technical & Medical Publishers and up to 155 international publishers.





The goal of Research4Life is to reduce the knowledge gap between high-income countries and low- and middle-income countries by providing affordable access to scholarly, professional and research information.

#### Training outcome:

- 3 participants registered for R4L user member within training period
- Plan for in-house training/orientation to teachers, students and colleagues
- Committed to explore within management team for digital library and enhance their library
- Participants gained skills, knowledge on R4L program and other databases
- Participants will process for register once they will be back to their work to access R4L

#### Foundation Stone-Laying Ceremony for Kiran Pustakalaya's new building



Honorable Gokarna Raj Bista, Minister for Labour, Employment and Social Security laid the foundation for new modern building of Kiran Library on 4 November 2018 on the occasion of Golden anniversary of the library. Addressing the program, Honorable Minister Mr. Bista said that the ideas and thought to establish a library 50 years ago is exquisite. "The Kiran Library has always inspired me from my early childhood" he added. He also appreciated all contributors in development of the Kiran Pustakalaya. He added that the library has been enlightening the Nepalese society by continuously publishing the literary journal "Hamro Purushartha" since 45 years. Government is working on to support 'Happy Nepali, Prosperous Nepal' as well as campaign on access to quality and fruitful education, he added. Emphasizing on importance of modern and technology friendly library, he said that library plays the vital role in developing literate, educated and civilized society. He also requested library development committee to construct the building quickly and expressed commitment to allot budget for construction so that there would not be lack of fund during the construction period.

Ms. Maina Kumari Bhandari, Member of Parliament for House of Representatives; Mr. Dinesh Panthi, Assembly Member of Province No. 5; Mr. Laxman Parajuli, Chief of District Coordination Committee, Gulmi; Mr. Dilliraj Bhusal, Mayor of Resunga Municipality; Mr. Yadunath Paudel, Chief District Officer (CDO) of Gulmi attended the event.

Mr. Sashi Panthi, Founder President and Existing Vice-President of the Kiran Library welcoming the participants mentioned that library is still operating in traditional way in an era of communication technology, it should therefore be modernized. He further said that due to the limited space they are unable to render needed services to all the targeted groups such as women, children, teachers, students, researchers etc. "After the completion of the building, the library will be the best library in Province No. 5," he claimed.

#### AGM of Nepal Library Foundation

Nepal Library Foundation (NLF) held its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) on November 2, 2018.

The event was commemorated with a welcome speech by Mr. Keshav Raj Lamsal, then Vice President. The Master of Ceremony for the program was Mr. Padam Raj Joshi, then Secretary. The Chief Guest for the program was Mr. Naresh Koirala, Founder President of Nepal Library Foundation, Canada.

In the first session of program, Mr. Dhan kumar Shrestha, then General Secretary of NLF presented NLF's progress report of the fiscal year 2074/075 B.S. and its future action plan followed by a presentation by Mr. Mani Ram Phuyal, then Treasurer of NLF and Assembly Member of Province No. 3 about the budget for upcoming fiscal year 2075/076 B.S. Mr. Kapil Dev Thapa, then President of NLF, declared the dissolution of existing executive committee for formation of new executive committee. An election committee comprising three members (Coordinator Mr. Naresh Koirala, and Members Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bhusal and Mr. Indrakanta Poudel) was formed.





The Chair Person for the second session was Mr. Naresh Koirala. The committee unanimously nominated Kapil Dev Thapa as President, Mani Ram Phuyal as Vice President, Dhankumar Shrestha as Secretary General, Shreeram Ghimire as Secretary, Saroja Shrestha as Treasurer, and Rachana Shrestha, Sagar Raj Subedi and Mira Maiyasingh Rana as members. Likewise, Dr. Binda Pandey, Bholanath Sharma, Dr. Jugul Bhurtel, Indira Dali and Indra Prasad Adhikari were nominated in Advisory Committee.

### AGM of Nepal Library Association



Nepal Library Association (NLA) held its AGM on 19 January 2019 at the Kathmandu Valley Public Library. To organize the annual general meeting, a special committee was formed coordinated by Mr. Rudra Prasad Dulal. Besides President and Secretary General of the executive committee members, all other members were elected unanimously. The committee elected and nominated Indra Prasad Adhikari as President, Sudeep Dhakal as Vice President, Reshma Dangol as Secretary General, Saroj Gaire as Joint Secretary, Rita Sharma as Treasurer and Ritesh Newa, Gobinda Chaulagain, Basanta Paudel, Kendra Phombo, Sushma Basnet, Anju Shrestha and Sailendra Kumar Gupta as Members. The tenure of the committee is of three years. In addition to its regular professional duties, this newly formed NLA has Herculean tasks ahead kept unsolved for a long time.

### Celebration of Kailali Jana Pustakalaya's Anniversary



Kailali Jana Pustakalaya held its 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary and Annual General Meeting on 9 February 2019. Four great personalities were awarded in the event. Prof. Dr. Mahadev

Awasthi was awarded Dinanath National Literary Award (Rs. 11005), Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula was awarded Kailali Jana Pustakalaya Award (Rs. 11111), Mr. Damodar Awasthi was awarded Bhojraj-Haripriya National Social Service Award (Rs. 5005) and Dr. Mukunda Kalauni was awarded Yagyraj Yatri National Literary Sadhana Award (Rs. 5555). Honorable Mr. Prakash Bahadur Shah, Minister for Internal Affairs and Law of Province No. 7 (Sudurpashim Province) and Dr. T. N. Joshi, President of Kailali Jana Library jointly awarded and honored social reformers Ms. Indira Jaishi, Mr. Bhuwan Chand, Mr. Harsha Bahadur Shahi, Mr. Nar Bahadur Bohara, Mr. Yagya Raj Chaudhary and litterateurs Mr. Bhoj Raj Ojha, Ms. Kabita Sunar, Ms. Dipa Air Udashi (दीपा ऐर उदासी). Honorable Minister Mr. Shah highlighted the contribution of Kailali Jana Pustakalaya to the society and importance of the library. Similarly, Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula also expressed his views. Participants also demonstrated various cultural programs and recited the literary arts.

### Basic Library Management Training

#### Nepal National Library (NNL)



Nepal National Library (NNL) and Waling Multiple Campus (WMC) jointly organized a five days 'Basic Library Management Training' in Waling Multiple Campus, Waling, Syangja from 9 to 13 January 2019 with the objective to guide librarians on basic knowledge required in management of library and information services to the community, schools and colleges of the district to enhance working capability of staff members and make them able to handle all types of libraries professionally.

The program was inaugurated by chief guest of program, Mr. Mohan Regmi, Assembly Member of Provincial Assembly of Gandaki Province. Campus Chief of WMC Prof. Sachitananda Yadav, Members of College Management Committee Ms. Rita Rana and Mr. Humkanta Koirala, Library Officer of NNL Mr. Prem Raj Adhikari and Library Assistant of NNL Ms. Ganga Khadka were Guests of the program.



Mr. Prem Raj Adhikari described the outline of the training program. He further described the role of libraries for assuring quality education in academic and other learning institutions. He assured NNL is always ready to support other libraries for further development.

In the closing and certificate distribution program, President of College Management Committee, WMC, was Chief Guest. Campus Chief of WMC Prof. Sachitananda Yadav, Chief of NNL Mr. Upendra Prasad Mainali, Library Officer of NNL Mr. Prem Raj Adhikari and Mr. Humkant Koirala were Guests.

Mr. Upendra Prasad Mainali explicated the role of library in educational development. He requested the participants to apply the gained knowledge in their work arena. He explained a good library is necessary to cultivate quality education in society. At last, Mr. Mohan Regmi advised all the participants to implement new ideas and concepts learned during training session in the respective workstations. Mr. Mukti Prasad Regmi and Ms. Pooja Thapa expressed their gratitude on behalf of participants. The program was facilitated by Mr. Arjun Tiwari, Assistant Professor of WMC. Participants were from different libraries of Syangja district. Mr. Mainali distributed the certificate to the participants and Mr. Regmi handed token of love to the organizer.

### Library Development Forum and Kings College

Library Development Forum and Kings College, Kathmandu jointly organized 35 days 'Basic Library and Information Management Training' from 20 November to 27 December 2018 at Surkhet of Karnali Province. The closing ceremony was held on 27 December 2018. The Chair Person for the program was Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bhusal, President of Library Development Forum and the Chief Guest for the program was Mrs. Mohan Maya Bhandari (Dhakal), Deputy Mayor of Birendranagar Municipality. Addressing the program, Ms. Bhandari (Dhakal) focused on importance of library in building educated and civilized society along with the role of library in quality education. She further stressed on establishment of local level library to cultivate reading habit and was anxious on the rate of rapid decline in reading habits among young generation which is disastrous in the development of nation. Mr. Yagya Raj Bhatt, Executive Director of Library Development Forum and Facilitator for the training session highlighted the importance of training.



### Library Management and Information Service Center (LIMISEC)

Library Management and Information Service Center (LIMISEC) and Nepal Library Foundation (NLF) jointly organized 35 days Basic Library and Information Management Training from 1 January to 3 February 2019 at Vijaya Memorial Secondary School, Kathmandu. 29 participants from various organizations and institutions participated. The Chair Person for the certificate distribution and closing ceremony was Ms. Saroja Shrestha, President of LIMISEC. Prof. Dr. Sudha Tripathi, Rector of Tribhuvan University was the Chief Guest and Chief Librarian and President of Nepal Library Association Mr. Indra Prasad Adhikari was Special Guest. Similarly, Chief Librarian of Kaiser Library Mr. Dashrath Mishra, Senior Library Specialist Ms. Indira Dali, Library Specialist Gita Thapa, Ex-Chief Librarian of Kaiser Library Ms. Janaki Karmacharya, Senior Program Officer of Resource Centre for Primary Health Care Ms. Chandra Kiran Shrestha, President of NLF Mr. Kapil Dev Thapa were the Guests on the program.



### Congress Library (Swatantra)

Congress Library (Swatantra) organized one-week-long 'Basic Library and Information Management Training' from 13 March 2019 sponsored by Kathmandu Metropolitan City at Mahendra Rastriya Secondary School, Baluwatar. For the opening session the Chief Guest was Ms. Hari prabha Khadgi, Deputy Mayor of Kathmandu Metropolitan City; Mr. Mohan Bahadur Khadka, Ward Chairman of ward number 4, Kathmandu Metropolitan City and Mr. Indra Prasad Adhikari, President of Nepal Library Association & Chief Librarian of Tribhuvan University Central Library were Special Guests. Similarly, Mr. Yadab Chandra Niraula, Under Secretary of Library Coordination and Documentation Section of Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST); Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bhusal, Vice President of Nepal Community Library Association and Editor of Pustakalaya Aawaj; Mr. Yagya Raj Bhatt, Executive Director of Library Development Forum; Ms. Rama Guragain, Former Member of Parliament; and local social reformers Mr. Ram Prasad Neupane, Mr. Prakash Maharjan, Ms. Shakuntala Sharma and Ms. Sabitri Khanal were the Guests.

The program was commemorated with a minute silence remembering deceased library advocates. The program was inaugurated by lighting eleven candles to remark the celebration of eleventh library day. Secretary General of Congress Library (Swatantra) and Coordinator of library

department Mr. Deva Upadhyaya (Upreti) was the Master of Ceremony. Mr. Rabindra Kumar Upreti, President of Congress Library (Swatantra) in his welcome speech highlighted on the training and its importance. Chief Guest Ms. Hariprabha Khadki stressed on the need to establish library in every community to distribute every piece of information and continuous flow of knowledge. She also added the library as an integral part of education and must establish a well-managed library at school level to strengthen the foundation of every school. She further emphasized on library collection of every local level community library which focuses on women empowerment. She lastly committed to help establish library on every ward of Kathmandu Metropolitan City. Mr. Indra Prasad Adhikari addressing the program expressed that training would promote the reading habits among the youths. Mr. Ramesh Kumar Bhusal and Mr. Yajya Raj Bhatt highlighted on need and importance of training. The targeted group of the training was students from higher secondary school level with the objective to fulfill the inadequacy of skilled library manpower which our nation is facing currently.

### Shree Padma Library



Shree Padma Library is one of the oldest libraries in Nepal which is located in Bandipur Rural Municipality of Tanahun district in Gandaki Province. It was established in 2000 B.S. as 'Bhanu Library' with a motive to save and develop the country by making its people literate as well as to create the space for Jayatu Sanskritam Movement in Rana period. The library was established by youths and adults. The name of all youths are unknown but few were Mr. Krishnakanta Adhikari, Mr. Subba Bishnual Pradhan, Mr. Gyanhari Sharma (Pradhan), Mr. Mathuraprasad Shrestha (Piya), Mr. Ramprasad Khanal, Mr. Suryalal (Pradhan), Mr. Krishnalal Pradhan, Mr. Kadam Kumar Piya. The name Bhanu library was chosen by Mr. Ramprasad Khanal but later it was named as 'Shree Padma Library' while registering. For easy registration the library was named after Shree 3 Padma

Shamsher and was approved on 16 December 1947. The first executive committee members were Mr. Shambhu Lal Pradhan-President, Mr. Gyanhari Sharma (Pradhan) - Chief Librarian (पुस्तकालयाध्यक्ष), Mr. Mathuraprasad Shrestha (Piya)-Secretary, Mr. Ramprasad Khanal-Member and Mr. Suryalal (Pradhan)-Member. The main objectives of the library were to make people aware about their rights, to inform and make people conscious on social, political and economic aspects and to save and develop the nation.

The library has two storey building. Meeting Hall and Reading room is in the first floor and Book shelves and reading materials is in second floor. The library has around 4,000 books. Besides the books, the library subscribes daily, weekly newspapers like Kantipur, Annapurna Post, Gorkhapatra, etc. The library has charitable trust worth Rs. 200 thousands. The library has 30 chairs in ground floor and adequate shelves for existing collections. It has one untrained employee to operate the library. The frequent users are especially library members and their family and tourists are the occasional library users. The library provides life-time and general membership. The library opens for an hour from 16.00 to 17.00 every day except Saturday. Anyone can use the library however, there is no book lending provision. In the past, the library had lending provision. Due to the fact that the issued books were not returned, the library stopped lending. The library published book entitled Mul-bato (मूल-बाटो). The library has been organizing the poet conference and quiz competition.



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