

Final Workshop
PLANT INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR NEPAL

Organizers

Central Department of Botany, Tribhuvan University (Kathmandu)
The Natural History Museum (London)

Sponsor

DETR Darwin Initiative (U.K.)

Venue: TBC (probably Hotel Annapurna or Hotel Yak & Yeti)
Date: 16 September '99
Participants: ca. 75.

September 16, Thursday

Session 1 (9:00-10:10 hrs): Opening Ceremony

09:00-09:10	Welcome speech (Prof. S.D. Joshi, Head CDB/TU)
09:10-09:20	Inaugural address (Minister of Science & Technology)
09:20-09:30	Remarks (Prof. S. Blackmore, Keeper of Botany, NHM) <i>Hand over of CD-ROM of databases and computer equipments to the Head, CDB Tribhuvan University.</i>
09:30-09:40	Remarks (Prof. N.P.J. Shah, VC TU)
09:40-09:50	Remarks (Prof. D. Bajracharya, VC RONAST)
09:50-10:00	Remarks (Prof. H. Ohba, Tokyo University)
10:00-10:10	Vote of Thanks (K.K. Shrestha, Project Co-ordinator)
10:10 - 10:40	Refreshment

Session 2 (10:45-13:00) Invited lectures

Chairperson: Dr. T.B. Shrestha

10:45-11:10	S. Blackmore: The Plant Information Project as a model for the Global Taxonomy Initiative.
11:10-11:35	H. Ohba: Floristic diversification in the alpine zone of Nepal Himalaya.
11:35-12:00	C. Jarvis: Historical collections: their importance and how to make them accessible worldwide.
12:00-12:25	D. Boufford: The Hengduan Mountain Hotspot, China.
12:25-12:50	H. Noltie: Experiences from Flora of Bhutan (TBC).
12:50-13:00	General Discussion
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch

Session 3 (14:00-15:00 hrs) On-line demonstration of Nepalese Plant Database (**K.K. Shrestha**)
15:00 - 16:00 Discussion

Session 4 (16:00-17:00) Plenary session and closing of the workshop.

September 17, Friday

09:00-15:00	Tour: Kathmandu (incl. TU Kirtipur, NHM Swayambhu), Patan, Bhaktapur, Nagarkot. [for the foreign guests only]
16:00-17:00	Meeting on Flora of Nepal (participants ca. 20) Organiser and venue: RONAST, Naya Baneshwar, Kathmandu.
19:00-21:00	Dinner (hosted by Vice-Chancellor, RONAST).

Field trip (September 18-22): Pokhara - Jomsom/Muktinath

Participants: 10 (3 from U.K., 1 from USA, 2 Botanists CDB/TU and 4 Darwin scholars)

September 18: 07:00 hrs: Kathmandu - **Pokhara** (by Coach/Bus)
13:00-19:00 hrs Sight seeing in Pokhara (Phewa lake, Begnas lake)

September 19: 06:00 hrs Morning flight to **Jomsom** (ca. 45 minutes flight)
Plant collection near Jomsom (2750 m)

September 20: 06:00 Jomsom (Kali Gandaki)- 09:00 **Kagbeni** (lunch)-
16:00 hrs. **Muktinath** (3800 m).

September 21: 07:00 Muktinath - **Ekle Bhatti** - 11:00 Jomsom (lunch).
13:00 Jomsom - 14:00 **Marpha** - 15:00 **Tukuche** - 17:00 Jomsom.

September 22: 07:00 Jomsom - Pokhara (45 minutes flight).
9:00 Pokhara - 15:00 Kathmandu (by Coach/bus).

Applicable only to the UK participants:

September 23: Kathmandu
September 24: 08:15 Kathmandu - 17:20 London Heathrow.

*Departure from London: September 13, Monday, 21:05 hrs (London Heathrow)
Arrival in Kathmandu: September 14, Tuesday, 15:15 hrs (Tribhuvan Int'l airport)..