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REPORT OF THE 13TH NEAJ SYMPOSIUM ON “Current and Future Technologies”

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022, 13:00-16:30 (JST), 9:45-13:15 (NST)

**13TH NEAJ SYMPOSIUM ON
CURRENT AND FUTURE TECHNOLOGIES**

Inaugural Speech- Mr. Ambika Joshi, Chargé d'affaires a. i., Embassy of Nepal, Japan

Academic Presentation (13:25 – 14:25)

- Assessing Green Energy Transformation in Nepal Using Hydropower-Hydrogen Integrated Power Grid Model: Assist. Prof. Dr. Khem Gyanwali
- Row Housings in Nepal and Their Potentials to Pounding: Bikesh Sedhain et al.
- The Role of Novel Distributed Fiber Optic Sensing for Landslide Monitoring: Ashis Acharya
- Disaster Risk Management on Educational Institutes and Its Role for Emergency Response Towards the Local Community: Ar. Ram Shrestha and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lata Shakya

**Panel Discussion on (14:30 – 16:00)
Bridging Academic and Research Activities between Nepal and Japan**

	A Transition from Mechanical Engineering to Computer Science		Research Gaps and Opportunities in Water Resources Sector of Nepal		Protective Systems, Advanced Earthquake Engineering and Large Scale Experimentations
Prof. Dr. Sujeet Pradhan Kurashiki University of Science and the Arts		Dr. Maheswor Shrestha Joint Secretary, Ministry of Energy, Water Resources & Irrigation, Government of Nepal		Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kshitij C. Shrestha Pulchowk Campus, Tribhuvan University	

Commentators Prof. Dr. Achyut Sapkota (National Institute of Technology, Kisarazu College) Dr. Bhoj Raj Pantha (Katahira & Engineers International)	Dr. Jhabindra Prasad Ghimire (Asha Consulting Group Pvt. Ltd.) Dr. Ved Prasad Kafle (National Institute of Information and Communications Technology)	Moderator Pradip Adhikari Vice President, NEAJ (Toa Corporation)
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Nepalese Engineers Association, Japan (NEAJ)



Report of the 13th NEAJ Symposium on “Current and Future Technologies”

26 February 2022, via Zoom

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Preface

The fifth executive committee (EXCOM) of Nepalese Engineers Association, Japan (NEAJ) is pleased to welcome all distinguished guests, presenters, and participants from Japan and Nepal, to the 13th annual symposium on “Current and Future Technologies”. The aim of this symposium is to bring together the researchers and the professionals from various engineering and scientific disciplines to promote interactions, scientific discussion, and technology sharing between Japan and Nepal. This program also aim to provide a platform for research collaboration as well as discussing the experiences of the professionals for the learning to the young engineers.

The major feature of this symposium is that the scientific discussions will be made among the various disciplines in a simple and understandable manner, includes bachelor to doctor level research discussion, recent topics of new research area and development of the technology, sharing experiences, and knowledge from the keynote speakers and honest opinions from the commentators. In addition, the floor discussion are open for the participants to discuss and comment about any topics related to the symposium or provide their opinions and discuss for any possible collaboration. We strongly hope that this symposium will actively discuss the topics presented, simulates research ideas to students, enhance the research improvements in Nepal, and develop a platform for multidisciplinary discussion and technology transfer.

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Welcome Speech

Dr. Kabir Shakya

President-NEAJ (Chiyoda Corporation)

Good afternoon, first of all I would like to extend my warm welcome to Chargé d'affaires a. i., Embassy of Nepal in Japan, Mr. Ambika Joshi, Senior members of NEAJ, colleagues, all the participants, ladies and gentlemen. I would also express my sincere thanks to all for attending this 13th NEAJ Symposium despite of your busy schedule.

As a continuation of our previous symposiums, this year also we are organizing the symposium on the theme “Current and Future Technologies” focusing on the research activities and professional experiences of Nepalese engineers residing either in Nepal or Japan. I believe this symposium provides a platform to exchange our ideas, creative discussions and build a network among engineers in Japan and Nepal.

Today, we have total of 7 presentations out of which 4 are research oriented academic paper presentation and 3 keynote speeches that will lead us to panel discussion focusing on “Bridging Academic and Research Activities between Nepal and Japan”. I believe the presented research papers from different engineering disciplines are very interesting and unique. I am looking forward to hear the presentations and lively discussion.

I cordially thanks to Prof. Sujeet Pradhan, Kurashiki University of Science and the Arts, Dr. Maheswor Shrestha, Joint Secretary, Water Resources Division, Ministry of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation, Government of Nepal, and Assoc. Prof. Kshitij Charan Shrestha, IOE, Pulchowk Campus, for accepting our request to deliver the keynote speeches. I am also pleased to have Prof. Dr. Achyut Sapkota, National Institute of Technology, Kisarazu College, Dr. Bhoj Raj Pantha, Katahira & Engineers International, Dr. Jhabindra Prasad Ghimire, Asha Consulting Group Pvt. Ltd., Dr. Ved Prasad Kafle, National Institute of Information and Communications Technology as commentators. I got message that due to some urgent matters Prof. Sapkota and Dr. Kafle may not be available today, but I hope they will manage time and appear during the panel discussion. I am sure that after listening to all the speaker we will have lively discussion which will be helpful in broadening our mind towards bridging the academic and professional activities between Nepal and Japan.

Due to COVID, we had to postpone the symposium, however, I hope the outcome of today's symposium will be fruitful to all of us. Though the COVID restricted us from organizing the symposium on face-to-face basis, it also provided us an opportunity to listen to presenters from Nepal through the virtual platform Zoom. Today we have 5 presentations out of 7 from Nepal which itself is also an achievement in collaborating with engineers in Nepal and Japan. Without delaying, I would like to conclude my opening remarks and once again thank you all for your participation.

Introduction of NEAJ

Er. Sailendra Humagain

General Secretary of NEAJ (Kinden Corporation)



A Brief Introduction to Nepalese Engineers Association, Japan (NEAJ)

NEAJ 13th Annual Symposium
Feb 26, 2022

Er. Sailendra Humagain
General Secretary

5th Excom 2021-2022
Nepal Engineers Association, Japan (NEAJ)

OBJECTIVES OF NEAJ

1. Act as a platform for the development of professional knowledge & skills via seminars, webinars, workshops, interaction and collaborations
2. Establish relationship of NEAJ with other national and international professional societies
3. Facilitate mutual cooperation and support for the professional welfare and development of Nepalese engineers residing in Japan
4. To effectively contribute and play role to the Engineering community for the development of Nepal

5th Executive Committee – 2021.4 to Till Now

Major Activities of this Excom:

- Membership renew and new application
- Membership fee collection
- Cluster-wise Members list publication in the NEAJ homepage
- Conducted 3 nos. of cluster-wise webinar
 - Architecture Cluster, Geotechnical Cluster and Electronics, AI & IT Cluster Webinar
- Annual Symposium 2022 (13th Annual Symposium in NEAJ History)



Nepalese Engineers Association, Japan (NEAJ)
THE FIFTH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (April, 2021 -)



Timeline of NEAJ



MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF NEAJ



Information on NEAJ Website

www.neajc.org

A updated website with all the information about NEAJ history since its establishment + NEAJ members list plus additional list sorted acc. to different cluster



NEAJ Members Database



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| <p>GROUP OF ARCHITECTURE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Horn Bahadur Rijal (Professional) Ar Pragati Baniya (Student) Dr Lata Shalva (Professional) Dr Shital Babu Acharya (Student) Dr Suraj Pradhan (Professional) | <p>GROUP OF CIVIL, CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENT AND PALAEOLOGY (GEOLOGY) ENGINEERING</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Er. Anavah Ghimire (Student) Dr. Badri Bhatta Shrestha (Professional) Dr. Bhoj Raj Partha (Professional) Dr. Bhuwachandra Prasad Sah (Professional) Dr. Bibas Gurung (Professional) Er. Binod Bhattarai (Student) Er. Binod Kumar Shrestha (Student) Hari Krishna Luitel (Student) Er. Ram Prasad Regmi (Student) Dr. Janki Singh (Student) Dr. Kalya Shukya (Professional) Er. Karm Prasad Regmi (Student) Er. Madan Shrestha (Professional) Mishan Shrestha (Student) Er. Narayan Shrestha (Student) Er. Narendra Dongol (Professional) Er. Naresh Subedi (Student) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Neta Prakash Bhandari (Professional) Er. Nraj Malla (Student) Er. Nirmal Raj Joshi (Student) Dr. Pritha Bahadur Thapa (Professional) Er. Pradip Adhikari (Professional) Er. Priya Shrestha (Professional) Dr. Priza Kayastha (Professional) Er. Sallendra Humagain (Professional) Dr. Sallish Shrestha (Professional) Dr. Satish Bhagat (Professional) Santosh Pokharel (Student) Er. Shriksh Hachhechu (Student) Dr. Sudarshan Bhandari (Professional) |
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New Strategy of NEAJ : Creating CLUSTERS

Civil Engineering

Architecture

Electronics

Industrial/ Mechanical

COMBINED GROUP OF COMPUTER, MECHANICAL, ELECTRONICS, ELECTRICAL AND INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

- Dr Achyut Sapkota (Professional)
- Er. Anu Aryal (Professional)
- Er. Bhupi Govinda Shrestha (Professional)
- Er. Deepak Gautam (Student)
- Er. Dhurba Raj Dhakal (Student)
- Dr. Rajali Maharjan (Professional)
- Dr. Ramesh Pokharel (Professional)
- Er. Rishab Poudel (Professional)
- Er. Sandhya Nepal (Professional)
- Dr. Sujet Pradhan (Professional)
- Er. Sumin Chalise (Professional)
- Er. Yubaraj Khatri (Professional)
- Dr. Ved Prasad Kafle (Professional)

New Strategy of NEAJ : WHY CLUSTERS & Groups ?

Till now NEAJ Activities

- Annual Symposium
- Platform to share research/professional work
- To contribute to development of technologies in Nepal

Challenges

- Only one day in whole year
- Time limitation to do discussion
- Venue is concentrated in Tokyo. Other members can not participate in the Annual Symposium.

New Strategy of NEAJ : WHY CLUSTERS & Groups ?

Challenges

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Many seminar/ webinar in Many places

Only by Excom Is not Possible and not effective

SEMINAR/Webinars By Clusters

New Strategy of NEAJ : How CLUSTERS & Groups works?

HUBS

CIVIL Engineering

Architecture

Electronics

- Each cluster will have own group to held meetings/nomikai

Network building

- It will create Sempai-Kohai relation in a group
- Kohai(juniors) can learn or get valuable suggestions and feedback from seniors. Seniors can learn new technologies/challenges from Junior as well
- It will indirectly link to new job opportunities

Deep discussion on a theme

- Meaningful outcome
- NEAJ- Newsletters
- Symposiums

Build relation with other related organizations

New Strategy of NEAJ : How CLUSTERS & Groups works?

Individual cluster group can organize webinar related to their field in association with NEAJ.

1. NEAJ Architecture Cluster Webinar:

NEAJ Webinar on Architectural Planning and Design: Sharing Professional Experience and Academic Research Work
31 July (Sat), 2021

Part One: Academic Research Works

- Research on Urban Heritage Conservation and Community Role: Case on Traditional Kathmandu Valley
- Architectural Conservation of Temples: Study University of Oslo, Norway
- Physical Vulnerability of Community as Open Space in Post-Earthquake Disaster: A case of Patan Old City Area
- Urban Policy Implementation in Nepal: A case study on Kathmandu Metropolitan Area
- International Community in Shared Housing
- Project Based Learning in Urban Planning: A case study on Kathmandu Metropolitan Area

Part Two: Professional Experience

- Designing Architecture and Shaping Cities
- Urban Planning and Design: A case study on Kathmandu Metropolitan Area
- Disaster Risk Management of Cultural Heritage: The Concept and Case Study of Nepal

Dr. Jitendra Kumar, Kathmandu University



Group photo during the program (24 participants).

New Strategy of NEAJ : How CLUSTERS & Groups works?

2. NEAJ Geotechnical Cluster Webinar:

NEAJ Webinar on Sharing Geotechnical Academic Research and Professional Experience
2nd October (Sat), 2021

Part One: Academic Research Works (Each 15min Presentation, 10min Discussion)

- Seismic Liquefaction risks in the critical facilities of the Kathmandu Valley, Nepal.
- Er. Prasad Acharya (Presentation based on M.Sc. in Geotechnical Engineering, IOE, Pulchowk Campus, Department of Electricity Development, Government of Nepal)

Geotechnical Seismic Isolation using Polymer Grouns

Er. Anand Sharma, Associate Professor of Geotechnical Engineering, Department of Civil Engineering (Focus on Geotechnical Research)

11:45 Part Two: Professional Experience (Each 15min Presentation, 10min Discussion)

Construction of Jointed-Timber Piles in soft ground of Saga, Japan.

Dr. Saitoh Hiroto (Presentation based on his experience as a research engineer in Geotechnical Engineering, Adjunct Senior Lecturer at General Saitoh Institute of Technology, Faculty of Technology, ASU)



Group photo during the program (20 participants).

New Strategy of NEAJ : How CLUSTERS & Groups works?

3. NEAJ Electronics, AI & IT Cluster Webinar:

NEAJ Webinar on Electronics, AI & IT: Sharing Professional Experience and Academic Research Work
Nov. 27 (Sat), 2021

Part One: Academic Research

- Research on Research on Active Signal, Professor, Kyushu University, Japan.
- Metamaterial Inspired High Power Wireless Power Transfer System.
- Er. Shobhi Ghimire, M.Tech, Ph.D. Candidate, School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering, Kyushu University, Japan.

On-chip High Frequency RF System Design for The Applications (Shrestha S.K.)

Er. Shrestha S.K., Ph.D. Candidate, School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering, Kyushu University, Japan.

Part Two: Professional Experience

- Designing Architecture and Shaping Cities
- Urban Planning and Design: A case study on Kathmandu Metropolitan Area
- Disaster Risk Management of Cultural Heritage: The Concept and Case Study of Nepal

Dr. Jitendra Kumar, Kathmandu University



Group photo during the program (30 participants).

Other Ongoing Works:

- Preparation of minutes of meeting of every NEAJ meetings which takes place once a week on every Sunday
- NEAJ Homepage update, Facebook page update, Registration and upload ongoing on NEAJ YouTube page etc.
- Preparation of constitution amendment to control funds on unproductive activities

Thank you!



Inaugural Speech

Mr. Ambika Joshi

Chargé d'affaires a. i., Embassy of Nepal in Japan

नेपाल इन्जिनियर्स एसोसिएसन, जापानका अध्यक्ष डा. कविर शाक्यज्यू
एसोसिएसनका महासचिव शैलेन्द्र हुमागाईज्यू
सिम्पोजियमका विभिन्न सत्रमा कार्यपत्र प्रस्तुतकर्ता, सहजकर्ता तथा टिप्पणीकर्ताज्यूहरू
साथै कार्यक्रममा सहभागी सम्पूर्ण महानुभावहरूमा,
नमस्कार !

सर्वप्रथम नेपाल इन्जिनियर्स एसोसिएसन, जापानले आयोजना गरेको यस 13th Symposium on Current and Future Technologies को सफलताको शुभकामना व्यक्त गर्न चाहन्छु- मेरो व्यक्तिगत तथा नेपाली राजदूतावास परिवारको तर्फबाट।

एसोसिएसनले प्रत्येक वर्ष आयोजना गर्ने Symposium इन्जिनियरिङ क्षेत्रमा विज्ञता हासिल गरी जापान वा नेपालमा कार्यरत नेपाली इन्जिनियरहरूकाबीच छलफल, विचार विमर्श एवं वहस गर्नुका साथै विभिन्न अनुसन्धान, ज्ञान र अनुभव साटासाट गर्ने एक उपयुक्त Platform भएको कुरामा राजदूतावास विश्वस्त छ।

विज्ञहरूको अनुसन्धान, छलफल र वहसको विषय मूलतः नेपालको आवश्यकता र संभावनाहरूमा केन्द्रित हुनु अझ बढी खुशीको कुरा हो। 'नेपाल अपार संभावनाहरू बोकेको मुलुक हो'। सैद्धान्तिक रूपमा सबै नेपालीहरूले दोहोर्याईरहने एउटा विचार हो यो। संभावनाहरूलाई यथार्थतामा रूपान्तरण गर्न भने सम्बन्धित विषयमा पर्याप्त अध्ययन अनुसन्धान गरी सो मार्फत् प्राप्त तथ्य एवं ज्ञानमा आधारित ठोस कार्य योजना अनुरूप अघि बढ्नु अपरिहार्य हुन्छ।

यसका लागि आवश्यक वातावरण निर्माण गर्न नेपाल इन्जिनियर्स एसोसिएसन, जापानले आज आयोजना गरेको यस प्रकारका कार्यक्रमहरूको अवश्य पनि सकारात्मक भूमिका रहन्छ।

आज प्रस्तुत हुने विभिन्न कार्यपत्रहरू तथा Panel Discussion का लागि छानिएका विषयहरू मुख्य गरी नेपालको विकाससँग सम्बन्धित छन्। यस्ता अनुसन्धानमा आधारित भई गरिने छलफलबाट निस्कने निचोड सम्बन्धित क्षेत्रको विकासमा निश्चय नै उपयोगी हुनेछन् भन्ने मलाई विश्वास छ।

राष्ट्रको समुन्नति र समृद्धिका लागि स्वदेश एवं विदेशमा रहेका सबै नेपालीहरूको एकीकृत प्रयास आवश्यक छ। यस मार्गमा स्वदेश तथा विदेशमा रहेका नेपालीहरू अग्रसर हुनु पक्कै पनि सहानीय छ।

यसै सन्दर्भमा १२ औं Symposium मा मैले विभिन्न मुलुकहरूमा रही विभिन्न क्षेत्रमा विज्ञता हासिल गरेका नेपालीहरूलाई नेपालको विकासको हिस्सेदार बनाउने उद्देश्यले स्थापना भएको Brain Gain Center मा जोडिनका लागि आग्रह गरेको थिएँ। आशा छ धेरै भन्दा धेरै व्यक्तिहरू उक्त Center मा जोडिनु भएको छ। कोही छुट्नुभएको छ भने जोडिन अनुरोध गर्दछु।

अझै पनि हामी कोभिड-१९ महामारीको जोखिममा छौं। यसबाट जोगिने उपायहरूको अवलम्बन गर्दै आफ्नो व्यक्तिगत एवं व्यवसायिक जीवन सुचारु गर्नुपर्ने चुनौति हाम्रा सामु छ। जापानमा अझैपनि संक्रमण र मृत्युदर उच्च रहेको छ। अतः जापान सरकारले जारी गरेको स्वास्थ्य सम्बन्धी मापदण्डको पालनाका गर्नुहुन यहाँहरू सबैमा हार्दिक अनुरोध गर्न चाहन्छु।

अन्त्यमा, Symposium on Current and Future Technologies आयोजना गर्नुभएकोमा नेपाल इन्जिनियर्स एसोसिएसन, जापान तथा Symposium मा कार्यपत्र प्रस्तुतकर्ता, टिप्पणिकर्ता, सहजकर्ता लगायत विज्ञहरू तथा कार्यक्रममा सहभागी सबै विशिष्ट महानुभावहरूलाई धन्यवाद दिँदै पुनः कार्यक्रमको पूर्ण सफलताको शुभकामना दिन चाहन्छु। साथै, नेपाल र नेपालीको हितमा तपाईंहरूले गर्ने कुनै पनि प्रकारका कार्यहरूमा राजदूतावासको सदैव सद्भाव र सहयोग रहने प्रतिबद्धता व्यक्त गर्दछु।

यहाँहरू सबै दिन शुभ रहोस्।

धन्यवाद ।

13th NEAJ Symposium and Contents

Saturday, February 26, 2022

On Zoom Platform

13:00-13:20	<p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Welcome Speech- Dr. Kabir Shakya, President of NEAJ, <i>(Chiyoda Corporation)</i></p> <p>Introduction of NEAJ- Er. Sailendra Humagain, General Secretary of NEAJ, <i>(Kinden Corporation)</i></p> <p>Inaugural speech- Mr. Ambika Joshi, Chargé d'affaires a. i., Embassy of Nepal in Japan</p> <p>Group Photo Session 1</p> <p>Academic Paper Presentations (Presentation 10 min, QA 5 min) Moderator: Er. Sumin Chalise, EXCOM member of NEAJ <i>(TDK Corporation)</i></p>
13:25-13:40	<p>Academic Presentation 1</p> <p>Assessing Green Energy Transformation in Nepal Using Hydropower-Hydrogen Integrated Power Grid Model</p> <p>Khem Gyanwali¹, Aadya Bhattarai¹, Tri Ratna Bajracharya¹, Ryoichi Komiyama², Yasumasa Fujii² <i>¹Institute of Engineering, Tribhuvan University, ²Department of Nuclear Engineering and Management, The University of Tokyo</i></p>
13:40-13:55	<p>Academic Presentation 2</p> <p>Row Housings in Nepal and Their Potentials to Pounding</p> <p>Bikesh Sedhain, Associate Prof. Kshitij C. Shrestha, Aarosh Dahal, Aashish Pokhrel, Aayush Maan Karki, Binu Devkota and Tunisha Gyawali <i>Institute of Engineering, Pulchowk Campus, Tribhuvan University</i></p>
13:55-14:10	<p>Academic Presentation 3</p> <p>The Role of Novel Distributed Fiber Optic Sensing for Landslide Monitoring</p> <p>Ashis Acharya <i>Department of Geoscience, Shimane University</i></p>
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Academic Paper Presentation


Paper Presentation 1: Assessing Green Energy Growth in Nepal with a Hydropower-Hydrogen Integrated Power Grid Model

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The involvement of green hydrogen in energy transformation is getting global attention. This assessment examines the hydrogen production and its utilization potential in one of the hydropower-rich regions, Nepal under various demand growth and technology intervention scenarios by developing a power grid model of 52 nodes and 68 transmission lines operating at an hourly time step. The model incorporates a grid-connected hydrogen storage system as well as charging stations for electric and hydrogen vehicles. The least-costly pathways for power grid expansion at the nodal and provincial levels are identified as a result of optimization. The operational behavior of hydrogen and its system interaction with different hydropower types is critically evaluated through sensitivity analysis on hydrogen system cost. The simulation results show that the optimum utilization of untapped hydro resources is capable of both fulfilling electricity demand and decarbonizing the transport sector. Massive exploitation of storage-based hydropower projects of western Nepal is reasonable only in export-oriented scenarios. For certain electricity demand, introducing hydrogen systems can reduce the capacity requirements of hydro storage by storing surplus power generated from pondage run-of-the-river and run-of-the-river hydropower during the rainy season and using it in the dry season.



Assessing green energy growth in Nepal with a hydropower-hydrogen integrated power grid model

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1. Introduction

Background

- The government of Nepal has anticipated rapid electricity demand growth in near future (Fig. 1).
- Potential to penetrate electric & hydrogen vehicles and power exports to neighboring countries will also eventually increase the electricity demand.
- Demand centers are unevenly distributed and the cost of available hydro resources as well as their operational characteristics also varies significantly.

Issues to address

- Identify the most cost-optimal spatial power system growth under various technology intervention scenarios.
- Evaluate what share of storage-based projects is necessary to cope seasonal variations and load balancing.
- Assess how emerging technologies (e.g., hydrogen) contribute to enhancing energy security as well as interact with hydro resources.

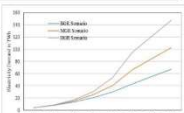


Fig. 1: Electricity demand forecast of Nepal [1]

[1] Electricity demand forecast by Water and Energy Commission Secretariat (WECS), Nepal

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Model Structure

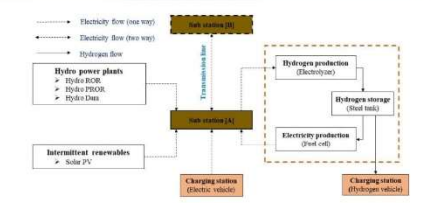


Fig. 2: Basic framework of the model

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Improvements

Estimated daily availability factor of each hydropower type using historical river inflows [6] for each node.

- For hydro ROR and hydro PRROR, Q45 was taken as the design discharge.
- For hydro dam Q25 was taken.

Estimation of daily availability factor

$$\alpha_{f,d} = \begin{cases} \frac{Q}{Q_d} & \text{if } \frac{Q}{Q_d} < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } \frac{Q}{Q_d} \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$\alpha_{f,d}$: Daily availability factor of hydropower in each node
 Q : Daily river inflow [m³/s]
 Q_d : Design discharge [m³/s]

[6] Source: Department of hydrology and meteorology

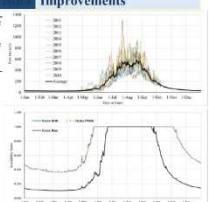


Fig. 4: Daily river inflow and estimated availability factor of one of the node, Upper Tamakoshi

3. Model input

Resource availability

- Existing and potential hydropower projects [5] are connected to each node.
- 68 major transmission lines considered taking master plan as a reference.
- Maximum potential of 12.8 GW (ROR), 13.3 GW (PROR) and 28.6 GW (Dam) and 20 GW (Solar PV) is taken.
- Hourly capacity factor of solar PV is extracted from [7] taking 20% system losses.

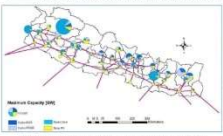


Fig. 5: Assumption on maximum potential of nodes in 2050

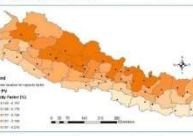


Fig. 6: Solar capacity factor of solar PV

[5] Transmission development master plan, RPOGL, 2018
 [7] www.nreca.gov.np

3. Model input

Demand

- The demand projection made by the government of Nepal [8] under high growth rate scenario was taken as a reference transport sector demand.
- The energy demand for each node was estimated using the current vehicle number operating at each zone and districts [5].
- The electricity equivalent transport sector demand was estimated using the following conversion factor [9][10].
- 1 PJ fossil fuel demand is equivalent to (278 X 8.36) GWh electric vehicle demand.
- 1 PJ fossil fuel demand is equivalent to (278 X 8.65) GWh hydrogen vehicle demand.

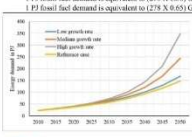


Fig. 8: Energy demand projection in transport sector

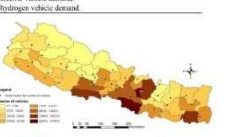


Fig. 9: Spatial distribution of number of vehicles in 2050

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1. Introduction

Literature review

Paper Contribution

- Assessed clean energy deployment opportunity in Nepal using a single region model with special focus on the operational benefits of three different types of hydropower.
- Incorporated electric vehicle within a dynamic optimal power generation mix model and performed scenario analysis on Japanese energy system.
- Highlighted the prospect of hydrogen production from surplus water resources which otherwise would have been curtailed and its use in different sectors of Nepal.

Originality of the research

Model analysis

- Power grid model incorporating hydrogen energy storage system along with electric and hydrogen charging stations.
- Energy system analysis
- Identified the cost-optimal technology and generation mix for different regions of Nepal under various technology intervention and power export scenarios.
- Evaluated the role of green hydrogen in energy storage and its interaction with different types of hydropower

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2. Power grid model of Nepal

Model characteristics

General logic

- Represented energies: Electricity
- Computational method: Linear programming
- Minimization of Net present value (NPV)
- Considers unit construction and O & M costs.

Temporal characteristics

- Study period: 2020–2050
- Calculation points: 2020, 2030, 2040, 2050
- Time step: Hourly

Features

- Original grid: 67 substation and 83 transmission lines [5]
- Developed grid: 52 nodes and 61 transmission lines
- Considers 6 cross border lines with India and Bangladesh

[5] Transmission development master plan, RPOGL, 2018

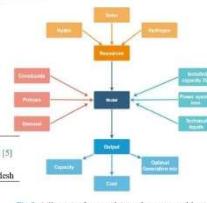


Fig. 3: A illustrative figure explaining the structure of the model

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Improvements

Electricity supply and balance

$$\text{load}_{i,t} + \text{Loss}_{i,t} + \sum_{j \in \text{Export}} \text{Export}_{j,t} - \sum_{j \in \text{Import}} \text{Import}_{j,t} = \sum_{k \in \text{Gen}} \text{Gen}_{k,t} - \text{Storage}_{i,t} \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{i \in \text{Nodes}} \text{Storage}_{i,t} = \text{Storage}_{i,t-1} + \text{Storage}_{i,t} - \text{Storage}_{i,t} \quad (3)$$

Hydrogen demand and supply balance

$$\text{Demand}_{i,t} - \text{Supply}_{i,t} = \text{Storage}_{i,t} - \text{Storage}_{i,t-1} \quad (4)$$

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$\text{load}_{i,t}$	Grid demand	[GW]	$\text{Gen}_{k,t}$	Power generated by storage technology	[GW]
$\text{Loss}_{i,t}$	Hourly optimized load of battery electric vehicle	[GW]	$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Power output from electrolysers	[GW]
$\text{Export}_{j,t}$	Power output from power plants	[GW]	$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Power output from fuel cell	[GW]
$\text{Import}_{j,t}$	Power transmission losses	[GW]	$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Power discharge from energy technology	[GW]
$\text{Gen}_{k,t}$	Power flow (from-out)	[GW]	$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Hourly load of fuel cell vehicle	[GW]
$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Power flow (backward direction)	[GW]	η_{fc}	Conversion efficiency of fuel cell	-
$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Conversion efficiency of electrolyser	-	$\text{load}_{i,t}$	Daily load of fuel cell vehicle	[GWh]
$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Conversion efficiency of electrolyser	-			
$\text{Storage}_{i,t}$	Daily load of heavy operated electric vehicle	[GWh]			

3. Model input

Demand

- Load curve of only 9 substations were obtained from Load Dispatch Center, NTA.
- The demand profile of other nodes was categorized based on obtained data.
- The load curve is supposed to retain its shape and future demand is taken as per the demand projection in Ref. [5].

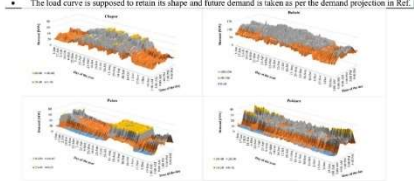


Fig. 7: Hourly demand profile of Chapat, Dabhi, Patan and Pokhara respectively

3. Model input

Scenario design

- Four different electricity demand and technology intervention scenarios were developed.
- The technology intervention is assumed to reach 30%, 60% and 100% by 2030, 2040 and 2050 respectively.

Scenarios	Scenario design			
	Domestic demand	BEV share	FCV share	Export
A	√	-	-	-
B	√	100%	-	-
C	√	50%	50%	-
D	√	50%	50%	√

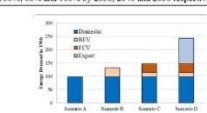
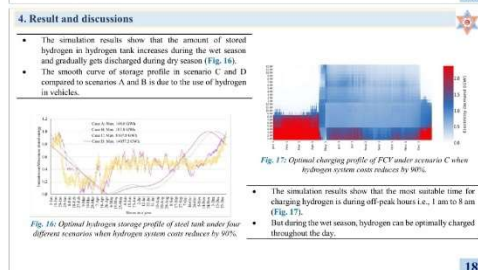
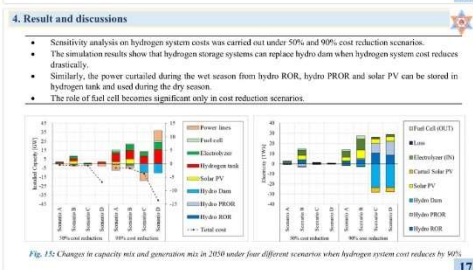
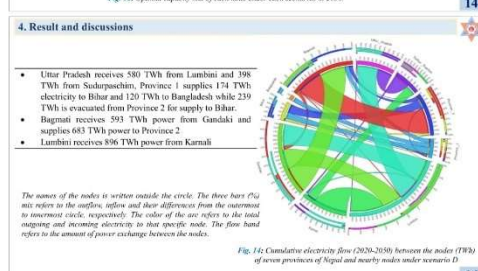
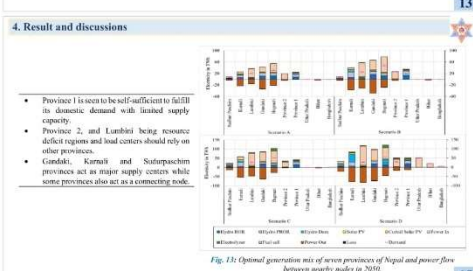
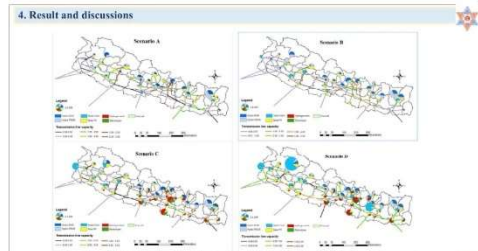
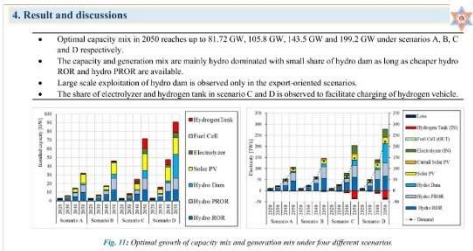


Fig. 10: Electricity demand by 2050 under four different scenarios

- Simulation was carried out using the computation facility of Fujii-Komiyama laboratory, The University of Tokyo.
- Each scenario took about 51 hours to solve 163 million constraints and 34.3 million variables and get the optimal solution



5. Conclusion and policy recommendations

- A power grid model for Nepal was successfully developed incorporating hydrogen energy storage systems and charging stations for electric and hydrogen vehicles.
- Exploitation of available ROR and PROR hydropower potential seems to be a cost-optimal strategy, but a small share of hydro dam is always necessary to deal with seasonality in power generation.
- Construction of large storage-based hydropower projects is necessary for export-oriented scenarios, but it should be critically assessed with potential environmental hazards.
- Deployment of hydrogen systems in large scale requires significant reductions in its cost. In such case, hydrogen can replace hydro dam as well as it can reduce power curtailment from ROR and PROR plants during wet seasons.

Thank you!

Paper Presentation 2: Row Housings in Nepal and Their Potentials to Pounding

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Nepal sits atop the actively convergent boundary of Indo-Australian and Eurasian plates. As a result, Nepal has been subjected to numerous high magnitude earthquakes in the past. Despite the grave consequences of the 2015 Gorkha earthquake, the pounding effect observed in the Kathmandu valley was less than anticipated, while taking into account the rampant unprofessional building practices. Higher predominant time period and low peak ground acceleration (PGA) of the earthquake have been accredited as the reasons for the same (Goda et al., 2015). This has further bolstered people's faith in the accustomed building practices with new buildings being constructed without provisions of separation gaps for minimizing pounding effects, hence, increasing risk susceptibility should higher PGA and lower period earthquakes corresponding to most buildings in Kathmandu occur in the future. Major earthquakes around the world (Loma Prieta, Kobe, etc.) bear witness to the severity of the damage that can result if the aforementioned issues go unchecked (Kasai & Maison, 1997; Otsuka et al., 1996; Cole et al., 2012). This study aims to focus on the degree of pounding due to the Gorkha Earthquake and its comparison with that of other earthquakes namely Kobe, Loma Prieta and El Centro earthquake.

Row housings in Nepal and their potentials to pounding



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Pounding Damage in Nepal



- In Gorkha Earthquake, basin amplification in the KTM valley resulted in higher time period, so pounding was mostly observed in **high rise buildings** (around 10 storey building).
- Due to less number of high rise buildings, instances of pounding damages were also few.

But we were **fortunate**. What if large number of high rise buildings were constructed?

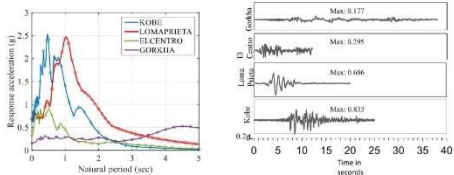
Peak Ground Acceleration (PGA)	Dominant Time Period (sec)
0.15g	4.53 (F-W)
0.16g	0.43 and 4.85 (N-S)
0.18g	0.08 (E-W)

Fig: Pounding damage a) at same level and b) at top floor and c) between two beams (Shrestha et al., 2018)

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Response Spectrum and Time history

- Will row houses and high rise buildings in Nepal be able to sustain this damage should other earthquakes occur?



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Methodology



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Material Characterization

Material Properties

Materials	Strength Parameters	Material Models
Concrete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade = M30 Elastic Modulus = 27,389 MPa Peak compression stress of 30MPa at a strain of 0.002191 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mander's uniaxial material model Takeda hysteresis model
Steel Rebars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yield Stress = 415 MPa Elastic Modulus = 200 Gpa 0.02 strain at onset of strain hardening and 0.12 ultimate strain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kinematic hysteresis model

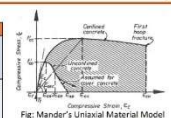


Fig: Mander's Uniaxial Material Model

Element Properties

Component	Property
Frames (Column and Beams)	2 nodes, (line)
Shell (Slab)	4 nodes (plane)

Fig: Takeda Hysteresis Model

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FE Model and Selected Earthquakes

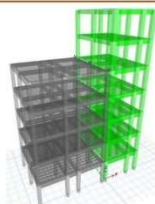


Fig: Finite Element Model in ETABS

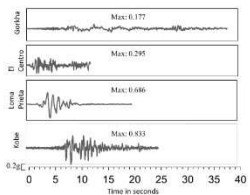


Fig: Acceleration Time Histories of Earthquakes Studied

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Pounding

- Impulse due to the transfer of momentum** when adjacent buildings collide during an earthquake due to the difference in time periods and drift.
- Seismic gap as per probability of occurrence of design earthquake over the lifespan for economic design
- Essence of Separation Gap**
 - Eliminate pounding at different levels
 - Safer and economical building design

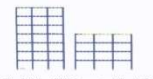


Fig: Building With Adequate Seismic Gap



Fig: Building Behavior During Pounding

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Practice of Row Housing

- Lower damage of the Gorkha earthquake has further bolstered **people's faith** in accustomed building practices including construction of row housing.



Fig: Row housing in Sankata, Kathmandu



Fig: Newly constructed building without separation gap

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Objectives

Assess the potential of pounding damage in row houses for different earthquakes' scenarios.

Specific Objectives:

- To evaluate the variation of link force with separation of the buildings.
- To suggest seismic gap for zero pounding force for considered earthquakes.
- To evaluate the variation of seismic gap requirement with different PGA's of Gorkha earthquake
- To observe the storey shear amplification caused due to Gorkha earthquake.
- To compare the case specific seismic gap requirement obtained from FEM(ETABS) with codal provision.

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Adopted Representative Building Models

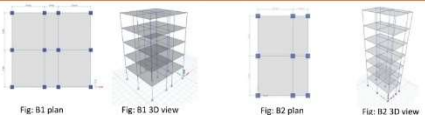


Fig: B1 plan

Fig: B1 3D view

Fig: B2 plan

Fig: B2 3D view

Building Design Data (As per its code)						
Building	Layout Dimension (m)	No. of Storey	Slab Thickness (mm)	Beam Dimension (mm)	Column Dimensions (mm)	Natural Time Period (sec.)
B1	8.5*8	5	135	300*450	400*400	0.854
B2	5*8	7	135	400*300 (upto 3rd floor) 300*450 (4th to 7th floor)	450*450	0.794

Remarks

Storey height = 3m

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Adopted Nonlinear Modelling Strategies

Non-Linear Properties

- Column Hinges:
 - Fiber F-M2-M3 hinge
 - Dimension: 0.12 of element length at each end
- Beam Hinges:
 - M3 hinge
 - At each end

- Link Element:
 - Non-linear gap element
 - Governing equation:

$$f = \begin{cases} k(d - \text{open}) & \text{if } (d - \text{open}) < 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where, d = relative displacement of adjacent joints
 open = separation between joints
 k = stiffness of gap element
 $= \frac{2 \cdot K_1 \cdot K_2}{K_1 + K_2}$ (Masoum, M. S., & Alama, M. S. (2018))
 K_1, K_2 = story stiffness of adjacent stories

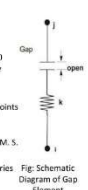
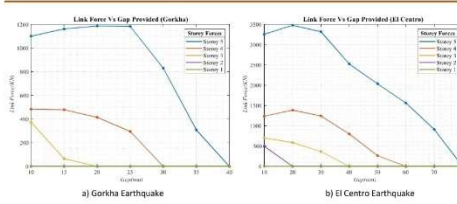


Fig: Backbone Curve for Plastic (M3) Hinge (Table 10-7 in ASEC 41-17)

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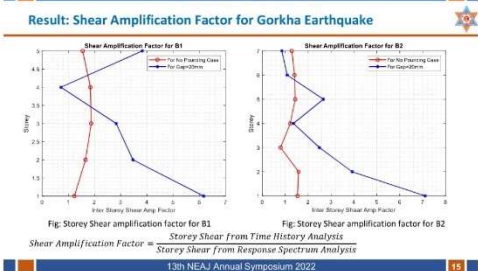
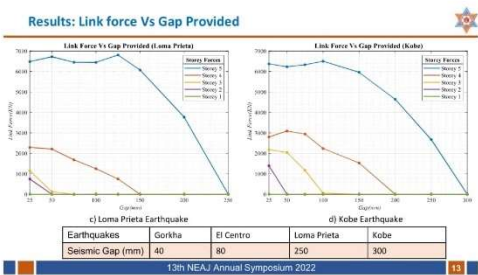
Results: Link force Vs Gap Provided



a) Gorkha Earthquake

b) El Centro Earthquake

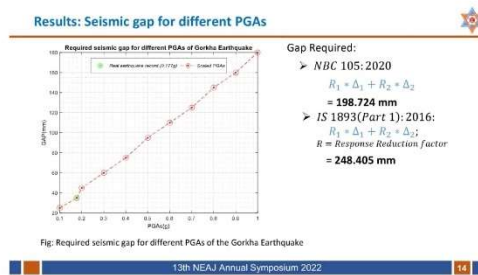
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Conclusion and Discussion

- Codal provision in NBC and IS suffices the seismic gap requirement for the case of Gorkha and El Centro Earthquakes but is insufficient for the other two considered earthquakes.
- Story shear is significantly amplified by pounding making it necessary to control pounding. For this if possible sufficient gaps should be provided otherwise alternative mitigating measures have to be applied i.e. increasing stiffness of building using shear walls, bracing, etc.
- A potential motivation towards similar studies on pounding in other urban settlements of Nepal for repair and maintenance of vast existing building stocks.
- Awareness on the severity of pounding damage that may result if the current rampant building practice continues.

Limitations of research

- Soil-structure interaction* was not taken into account.
- Stiffness of infill wall* was also not considered.
- Analysis of only one specific case limits the generalization of results.

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Paper Presentation 3: The Role of Novel Distributed Fiber Optic Sensing for Landslide Monitoring

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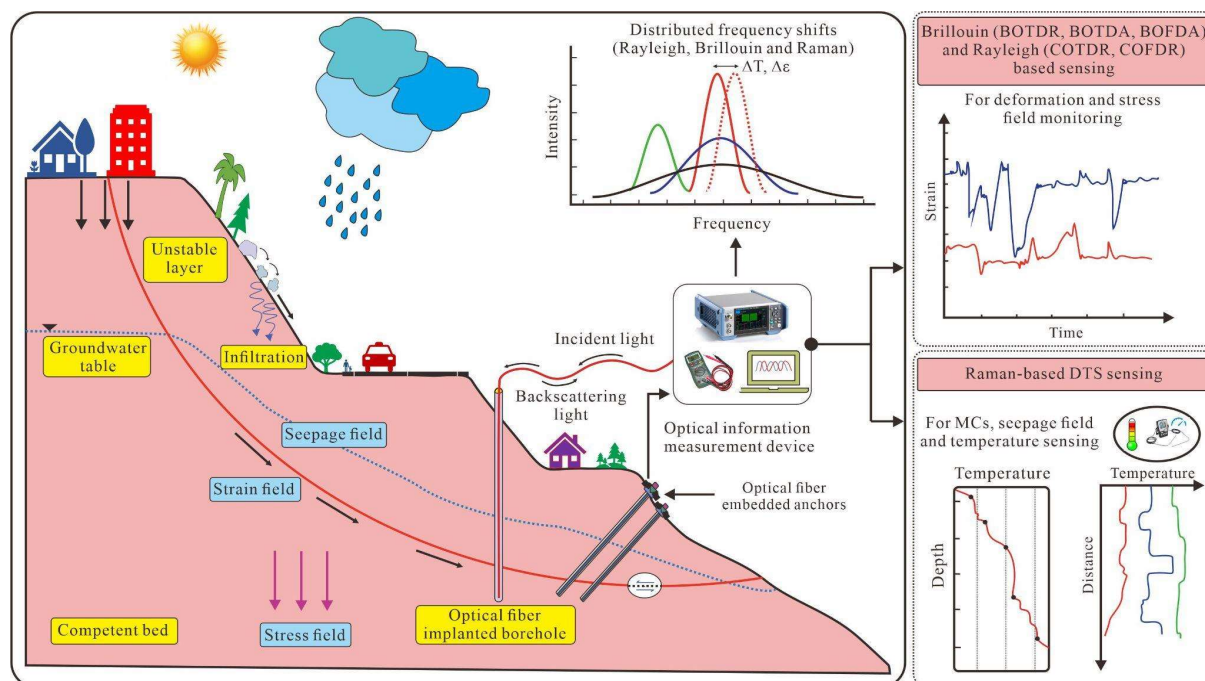
Landslides are one of the most frequent and catastrophic natural phenomena that affect the topography of the Earth's surface, water quality as well as innumerable loss of human life and habitat globally. Landslides can occur at a variety of rates, from almost imperceptibly slow (mm/year) to almost incomprehensibly rapid (up to hundreds of km/hr), therefore determining their dynamics is critical to reducing the overall impact on the ecosystem. The landslide study and analysis are in a period of exponential growth, concentrating mainly on techniques and solutions for the stabilizing, preventing, and categorizing the most vulnerable. Among the several landslide risk mitigation strategies, the early warning system is the most cost-effective and allows for better planning of mitigation measures for rapid landslides. For many decades, several conventional and novel technologies have been applied in surface and sub-surface slope monitoring such as; remote sensing, geographic information systems, acoustic emission, microseismic, inclinometers and so on. All of these techniques have their own set of benefits and drawbacks, but the fiber-optic (FO) system has a distinct advantage over them.

For the past 20 years, various FO sensing technology has developed rapidly in monitoring structural health, geo-hazard assessment, industrial engineering, and environment. However, distributed fiber optic sensing (DFOS) techniques have developed expeditiously over the recent decades in multiple technical fields including slope engineering as they furnish a number of advantages over conventional landslide monitoring approaches. Moreover, DFOS can operate as a "Nervous System" for slopes by sensing the tensile strain of the soil/rock they're embedded in.

The FO cables can be embedded in a shallow trench or buried in a borehole in order to detect precursory signs of failure well before the collapse. By measuring the sent and backscattered light, the FO system detects mass movement that occurs from changes on the cable, so that the early warning measurements can be done. In the time or frequency domain, DFOS probes Rayleigh, Raman, or Brillouin scattering for the measurement of parameters such as temperature, stress, strain, and other acoustic properties. This sensing technology has been widely used due to a range of unique benefits over conventional geotechnical sensors, including

small size, high sensitivity, long-term durability, long-distance, real-time monitoring, cost-effectiveness, compatibility, and resistibility.

In this presentation, fundamentals of an optical fiber will be briefly discussed, followed by the compendious explanation of the sensing principle of various DFOS techniques (Rayleigh, Brillouin, and Raman backscattering). The recent developments on the applications of DFOS on slope stability assessment, including strain, stress, and temperature field monitoring will be discussed in great detail prospecting the possibility of the implementation of this techniques in the fragile geology of Nepal Himalaya. Ultimately, some challenges associated with DFOS sensing and prospects of future development will be discussed.



Paper Presentation 4: Disaster Risk Management on Educational Institutes and its Role for Emergency Response Toward the Local Community

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A disaster, including natural or human made is an event that occurs unexpectedly and consequence the serious destruction. It impacts people's life and mostly mental health and education attainment/achievement of children. The need of disaster risk management focused on children and its learning environment is essential. The educational institutions are the major actor for the activities to play the great role towards it. On the other hand, since educational institutes are used as evacuation shelters by the local people during the disaster, educational institutes are very essential facility for neighborhood area. Nepal government has developed many policies related to disaster risk management from province level to local government level after 2015 Gorkha earthquake.

In this paper, firstly, we clarified what kinds of policies are made related to DRM of educational institutions through literature review. Then we examined how much these policies are acknowledged by educational institutes, through literature review. Then we examined how much these policies are acknowledged by educational institutes through the field survey including interview survey on three educational institutes. We found the lack of awareness, lack of information flow, and several issues towards the implementation of the policies.

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Keywords: Disaster Risk Management, Local Government, COVID-19, school

1.1 Background

According to the Post Disaster Need Assessment Report (NPC, 2015),

Indicator	Total student
Student studying	334,000.00
Lost classroom	137,000.00
Minor damage	260000
Student Killed	337

Due to natural disasters, per day at least two people lose their life in Nepal on an average. The record of low lives due to various types of disasters in Nepal in the last 25 years (MoHA, 2018).




Disaster school safety and learning: Review insights from the policy

3.1 Disaster Risk Management on Educational Institutes

What is Supplementary Training Manual on Annual SIP Updating and Reference Materials for Disaster Preparedness in School (Ministry 2012)

Contents

- Annual School improvement planning
- School disaster preparation equipment



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What is Guidelines for Developing type designs for school Buildings in Nepal

Published -2013-The Government of Nepal Ministry of Education Science and Technology, Singha Durbar

Contents

1. Identification of the Needs to meet
2. Architectural and Space Planning Requirements
3. Integrated DRR and E&S Considerations
4. Child, gender and differently-able (CGDI) friendly consideration
5. Material and Construction Technology Considerations
6. Structural Design Considerations
7. Site Infrastructure and landscape Design Considerations
8. Basic landscape design Considerations
9. Climate smart design Considerations



Disaster Risk Management on Educational Institutes and its Role for Emergency Response toward the Local Community

Presentation Outline

Content


- 1 Introduction
- 1.1 Background, 1.2 research question 1.3 Scope and limitation
- 2 Research Methodology-reviewing related document, field survey interview, case study
- 3 Disaster school safety and learning: Review insights from the policy Disaster Risk Management on Educational Institutes and Role for Emergency Response toward the Local Community
- 4 Three educational institutes: Naulin School, Peak point school, Shiu Milan School
- 5 Comparison Chart of School
- 6 Key issues
- 7 Conclusions and recommendation
- Reference

1. Introduction

Disaster? "Sudden or great misfortune" or "simply any unfortunate event"


"an event whose timing is unexpected"

Consequences are seriously Destructive.



1.2 Research Question

How to respond by school after disaster?
 What kind of preparation should the school do?
 Who should do what after disaster?
 What kind of role could done by toward local community?



1.3 Scope and Purpose

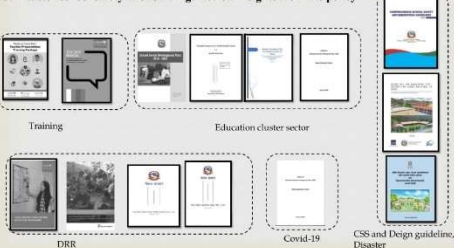
The limitation of this study is base on collected document only and survey.

2. Research Methodology

-reviewing related document, field survey: interview, case study



3. Disaster school safety and learning: Review insights from the policy



Training, Education cluster sector, DRR, Covid-19, CSS and Design guideline, Disaster

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Sample Design Disaster response Plan

Disaster school safety and learning: Review insights from the policy

1. Identification of the Needs to meet

- Design student Number
- Classroom Size
- School size Categories

Room Type	Design	Minimum	Maximum	Schedule For Grades	Room Area (Sq. Mtr)
RP1	12	5	33	G-1,5	17
RP2	25	20	39	G-1,5	25
RP3	40	30	47	G-1,5	40
RS1	25	20	35	G-6,12	35
RS2	40	30	45	G-6,12	45
RS3	60	40	75	G-6,12	70

School Type	Type Code	Students (Nos.)	Grade	Room	Room Contribution	Preferred Student Capacity
Primary 1	RP1	12	1-5	1	17	18
	RP2	25	1-5	2	25	26
	RP3	40	1-5	3	40	41
Primary 2	RP1	12	6-12	1	17	18
	RP2	25	6-12	2	25	26
	RP3	40	6-12	3	40	41
Secondary 1	RS1	25	6-12	1	35	36
	RS2	40	6-12	2	45	46
	RS3	60	6-12	3	70	71
Upper Secondary 1	RS1	25	11-12	1	35	36
	RS2	40	11-12	2	45	46
	RS3	60	11-12	3	70	71
Upper Secondary 2	RS1	25	11-12	1	35	36
	RS2	40	11-12	2	45	46
	RS3	60	11-12	3	70	71

RP1 = Room for Primary Schools Type-1
 RP2 = Room for Primary Schools Type-2
 RP3 = Room for Primary Schools Type-3
 RS1 = Room for Secondary Schools Type-1
 RS2 = Room for Secondary Schools Type-2
 RS3 = Room for Secondary Schools Type-3






Panel Discussion on Bridging Academic and Research Activities Between Nepal and Japan

Keynote Speech 1:

A Transition from Mechanical Engineering to Computer Science

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Kurashiki University of Science and the Arts

 <p>A transition from Mechanical Engineering to Computer Science</p> <p>Sujeet Pradhan Department of Risk and Crisis Management Kurashiki University of Science and the Arts</p>	 <h3>Not a formal speech</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rather a motivational speech based on my personal experiences • Hopefully helpful for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young graduates looking for a career change • Young researchers working on Database Fields 						
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 <h3>Mechanical Engineering vs Computer Science</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both focus mainly on Problem Solving/Tools Designing • However, ME graduates generally lack THOROUGH knowledge about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discrete Mathematics • Logic • Formal Proofs • Each day an opportunity to learn something new 	<h3>Database International Community</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Until recently, largely USA and European-based <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Institutions • Research Institutions • Big Techs • Asian Institutions had very small representation especially in the past 						

One should not lose hope

- Keep submitting your papers on major conferences (1st tier)
- Papers published on major conferences are treated equally as ones published in major Journal papers
- One paper published in a major conference is equivalent to 30 in less renowned conferences.

Formal theories are always winners in the long run

Application based (trendy) research papers are important

However, papers based on strong mathematical concepts last long

Multi-disciplinary approach


- Getting out of your comfort zone
- Fresh outlook
- Curiosity
- Not easily accepted but worth trying

Major Database Conferences

VLDB (Very Large Database Systems)

ACM SIGMOD (Special Interest Group on Management of Data)

My research hobbies



Research Area

Non-traditional Data Models Query Processing Conceptual Framework

Research in Database Field

- Traditional
 - Focuses mainly on the foundations set by E.F.Codd's Relational Model
- **Unorthodox**
 - Conceptual (not necessarily implementable in the near future)

Data: Stored vs How they are Presented (Discrepancy)

- Non-traditional data
 - Not necessarily structured
 - Not necessarily in a single media
 - Not necessarily complete in itself
- Rather
 - Fragmentary
 - Distributed
 - Complementary

Research Issues

- Challenges
 - Continuous nature of underlying data
 - Answers are not necessarily strictly bounded
 - Scattered complementary information across data sources
- How do you retrieve non-traditional data the way we did traditional (relational) data?
 - An integrated framework based on a Probabilistic Retrieval Model?

Keynote Speech 2:

Research Gaps and Opportunities in Water Resources Sector of Nepal

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Research Gaps and Opportunities in Water Resources Sector of Nepal

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Intended Achievements of Current 15th Plan

- Analysis of Hydro-met data
- Discharge, Weather and Climate change information
- Mapping of Vulnerable zone, Water induced disaster risk reduction
- Sediment and flood inundation, disaster estimation

- Inter basin diversion, Storage, Multipurpose, Large scale irrigation, water induced and disaster management related Physical and Numerical Model Laboratory
- Training and Capacity building

RESEARCH vs STUDY

Research works are treated as consulting service

- Due to lack of orientation
- Lack of vision
- Lack of human resources

Financial Resource may not be a constraint

Research Gaps

How much water is flowing to Nepal ?
 How much water is flowing out from Nepal ?

Optimal Integrated Water Resources Management Practice towards a Sustainable Society

- Physical Env.
- Biological Env.
- Social Env.

- 3 tier of engagement
- Local, State and central level

- Evaluation of each option/scenario

- support to Flood/Drought forecasting, Basin planning and management, Water allocation, Benefit optimization etc.

Develop/Implement Plans/Projects

Digital Elevation Model (DEM)

A basic input to hydrologic analysis, modeling, hazard, risk mapping, flood inundation, transboundary issues

- HYDRO1k Elevation Derivative Database (1000m DEM)
- GTOPO30 (30-arc DEM : Almost 1000m DEM)
- For ASTER (30m GDEM): ASTER GDEM Explorer
- For SRTM (3-arc DEM): USGS EarthExplorer
- Hydrosched-(3-arc DEM: about 90m DEM)
- SRTM (1-arc DEM: about 30 m DEM)
- JAXA's Global ALOS 3D World (30 m DSM)
- AW3D DEM (Commercial)
- TANDEM-X (30m, 90m)

Department of Survey, Topographic Data - NEPAL

Accuracy of DEM, a case study at West Rapti River

Talchabhadel et al., 2021: Assessment of vertical accuracy of open source 30m resolution space-borne digital elevation models

Gap: Hydrologically corrected DEM
Opportunity: Disaster/Risk Mapping and EWS

Spatial Distribution of Precipitation

A basic input to water resources assessment and management

Bias correction of Climate model projections

Figure 1: Studied Rainfall stations in Tamor River Basin

Figure 2: Monthly climatology for GCM raw and corrected rainfall for station 1419

Shrestha (2023) Bias correction of precipitation for selected GCMs in Tamor River Basin, Nepal, WRRDC Research Letter, Issue no: 14, November 2021, pp. 1-2

Numerical Modeling – Physics based distributed hydrologic model

A complete model to assess the contribution of snow and glacier-melt to total runoff

Integrated modeling System : WEB-DHM-S

Budhiganga Basin, Nepal

Shrestha, M., 2021. Water and energy budget based distributed hydrologic modeling in Budhiganga River Basin of Nepal Himalaya, WRRDC Research Letter, Issue no: 12, September 2021, pp. 1-2

Physical Hydraulic models for inter-basin water transfer models/storage projects

Less Research and Effort in Physical modeling

WRRDC Hydraulic Laboratory, Godawari

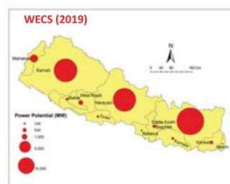
Attentions shall be given to strengthen the Lab to prepare prototypes of inter-basin water transfer projects/storage projects

Central Water Resources Information System

Integration of Data related to thematic layers of water resources

- Water and Energy Commission Secretariat (WECS) is mandated to prepare WRIS as per National Water Plan
- Preliminary WRIS was prepared in 2010
- WECS is preparing River Basin Plan.
- WRIS will be prepared and updated in near future.

Hydropower Potential Mapping



SN	River basin	Empirical	HEC-HMS	Adopted	
1	Koshi	21940	27805	27805	
2	Gandaki	19385	19003	19003	
3	Karnali	21306	20385	20385	
4	Rapti	595	745	745	
5	Bagmati	638	437	437	
6	Babai	174	264	264	
7	Kankai	463	394	394	
8	Karnala	209	261	261	
9	Tama	101	184	184	
10	Bokaya	84		84	
11	Mechi	62		62	
12	Mahakali	2120		2120	
				Total	72,544

Figure 7.5: Gross Hydropower Potential in different river basins of Nepal

<https://weecs.gov.np/storage/listies/February2021/final-report-july-2019-on-hydropower-potential.pdf>

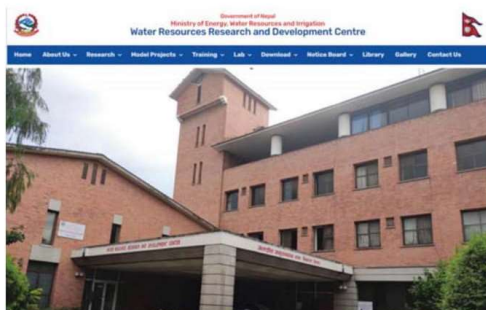
Link Science to Policy and Policy to Science

That's why research gaps and opportunities are always dependent on the **policy interventions** in water resources sector, if you want your **research output** is fruitful and serves the nation in someway.

Water management

- Water is taken as **concurrent subject** to Federal, State and Local government in Constitution of Nepal-2072 – opens opportunity to manage by the reform of legislation
- Demarcation of rights of each level of government, River management and regulation
- Transboundary Issues/Downstream Benefits.

Fostering R and D by GoN through WRRDC



Keynote Speech 3:

Protective Systems, Advanced Earthquake Engineering and Large Scale Experimentations

Associate Prof. Dr. Kshitij Charan Shrestha

IOE, Pulchowk Campus

Protective systems, advanced earthquake engineering and large scale experimentations

Kshitij C. Shrestha
26th February, 2022

About me



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- 4. Composite masonry structures

- 1. Masonry structure
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Residual deformation on typical RC structure



RC Structure (with conventional steel reinforcement) after earthquake excitation

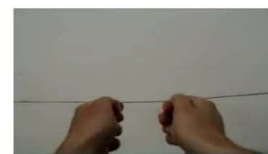
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Shape memory alloy (SMA) / Superelastic SMA bars



Shape memory alloy (SMA)

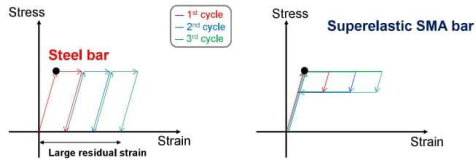


Super elastic shape memory alloy (SMA)

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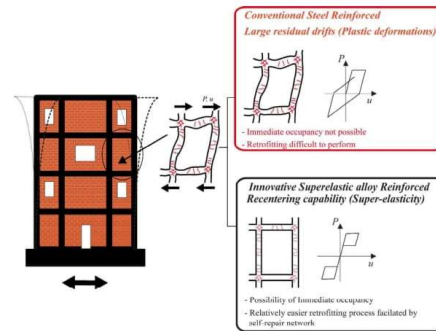
Steel bar versus superelastic shape memory alloy (SMA)



- Steel bars show *large residual strains* post yielding.
- SMA bars possess *unique deformation recovery property* even after yielding.

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Structure with recentering capability



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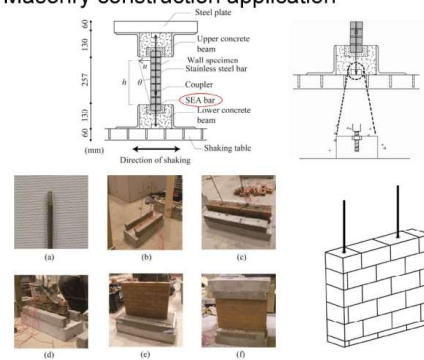
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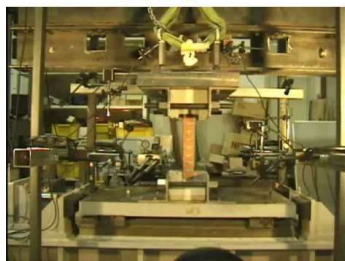
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Masonry construction application

Unreinforced masonry
PGA 0.3g

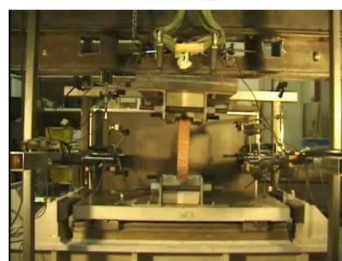


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Masonry construction application

Steel reinforced masonry
PGA 0.44g



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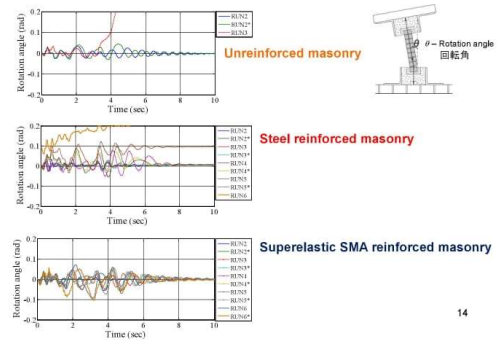
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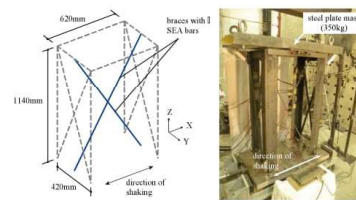
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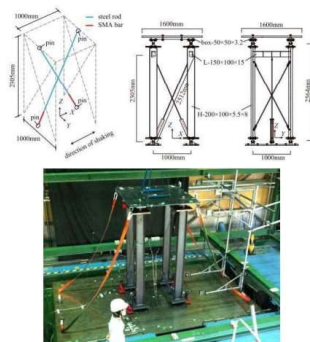
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Full-scale steel brace frame



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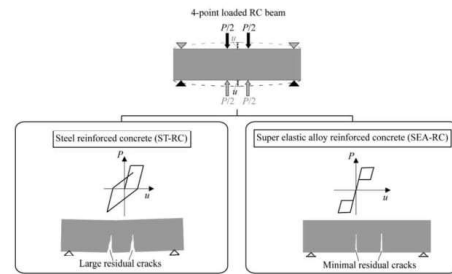
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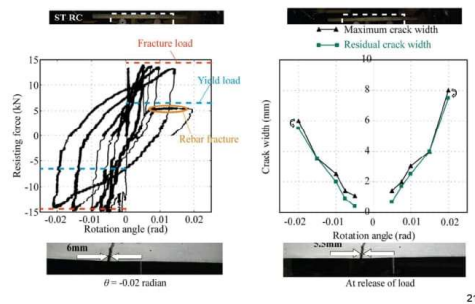


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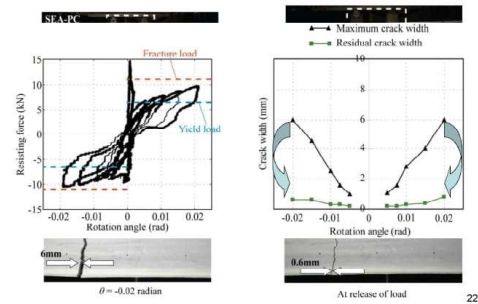
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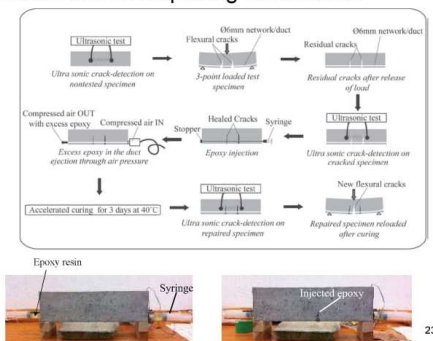
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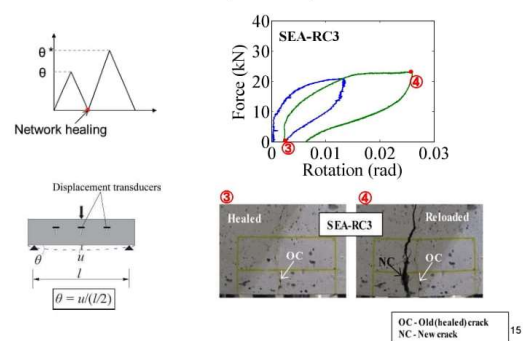
SMA-RC specimen



Activated network-repairing mechanism



SEA used network repaired specimen



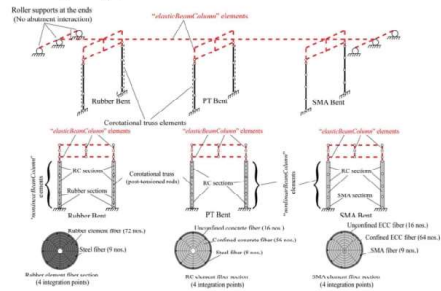
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1/4 scaled 33 m long, 4-span bridge

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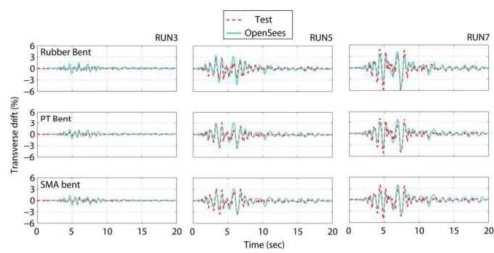
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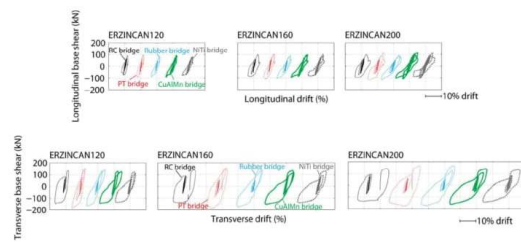
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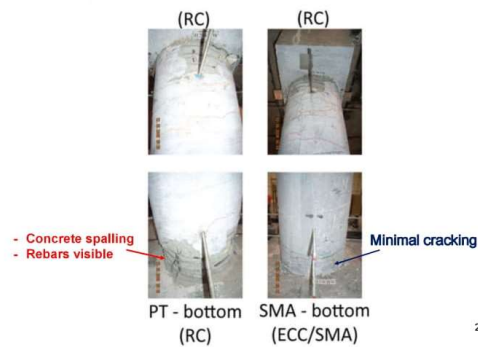
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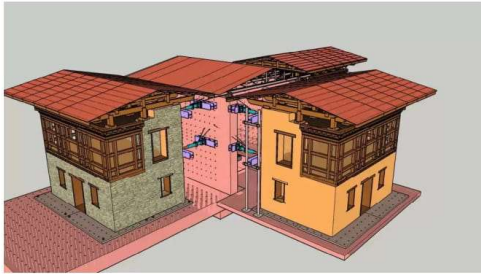


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Test facility overview



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PILOT SHAKING TABLE TEST



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Full-scale test



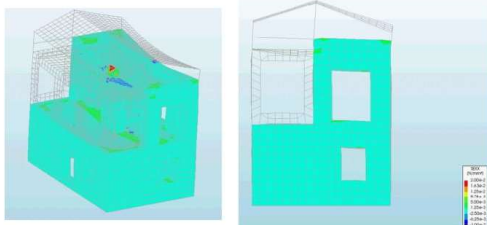
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Full-scale test



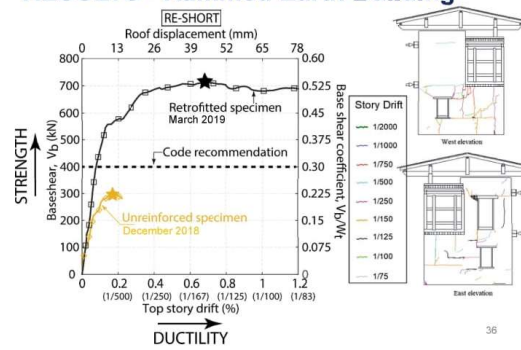
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Full-scale test – Numerical modeling



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RESULTS - Rammed Earth Building



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Retrofitting method

Local

Sustainable

Effective



Thank you for your kind attention

TOTAL COST WITHIN 15% OF NEW CONSTRUCTION

Comments and Floor Discussion

The comments on the keynote speech has been given by Dr. Bhoj Raj Pantha and Dr. Jhabindra Prasad Ghimire. Following are the main keypoints of the commentators.

Comments of Dr. Bhoj Raj Pantha, *Katahira & Engineers International*

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Comments of Dr. Jhabindra Prasad Ghimire, *Asha Consulting Group Pvt. Ltd.*

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Closing Remarks and Kanpai (Virtual Nomikai)

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Photos

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