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CHIEF GUEST AND SPEAKER

Dr. Padma Prasad Khatiwada
Vice Chairperson
Social Welfare Council



Social and Political Demographer, Dr Padma Prasad Khatiwada, is a Faculty/Instructor for PhD with Coursework, MPhil and MA, in Tribhuvan University. Recently appointed by the Government of Nepal as a Vice-Chairperson of Social Welfare Council, Dr Khatiwada has contributed as Team Leader over 100 research studies on social sciences, presented papers in more than 100 venues (Nepal, 61 districts and over 20 different countries) and supervised PhD, MPhil and MA theses in the University. Well renowned as a human rights activist in the social sector and policy contributor for TU, National Planning Commission, Ministry of Health and Population, Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen, Dr Khatiwada also serves as a Core Committee Member of South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication, General Secretary of Human Rights Alliance and dozen other similar social and professional organizations.

SPEAKERS

Ms. Shivananthi Thanenthiran

Executive Director

Asia Pacific Research and Resource Centre for Women



Shivananthi Thanenthiran is the Executive Director of the well-known Asia-Pacific Regional Organization called ARROW. She had worked for the United Nations' Program and has co-written many books and reports related to ICPD, and women's rights. She is well-known for her Championship in the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. Under her leadership, ARROW is flourishing very much and able to expand partnerships with 97 organizations of the Global South.

She is one of the Global Leaders of the Generation Equality Action Coalitions and leads the 'Bodily autonomy and sexual and reproductive health and rights' theme. She is also a Champion of SheDecides global movement.

Ms. Bhawana Bhatta

Secretary

NGO Federation of Nepal



Bhawana Bhatta is a prominent youth women leader in Nepal. She has one and half decade of professional and leadership experience working on human rights, peacebuilding and development. Ms Bhatta, Scholar of LLM on International Human Rights Law, president of Women Dialogue Forum also elected as secretary of the central board of NGO Federation of Nepal. She led dozens of youth social movements being in the leadership such as Nepal Youth Social Forum, Youth Co: lab, she was also appointed as an executive committee member for National Youth Council, Ministry of Youth and Sports for four years.

Besides this, has written dozens of articles, given interviews and lectures related to her fields in locally, nationally and internationally. She is active in program designing, lobbying, campaigning and policy advocacy at all levels. She is recognized as 100 young leaders of the world from Women Deliver. She is one of the fellows of South Asia Women's Fund for 2011, alumni of women public service institute the USA, 2013.

Dr. Nurgul Dzhanayeva. PhD
President
Forum of women's NGOs of Kyrgyzstan



Nurgul Dzhanayeva has wide connections with diverse CSOs at various levels. She is a member of APWW, APRCEM, from 2014-2017 was an Organizing Partner of the Women’s Major Group for SDGs, initiator of the UN ECE RCEM, member of the Global Council of the CPDE, Member of the Feminist Constituency of the CPDE, was in a Board of Directors of the Global Fund for Women, Steering Committee member of the ROA ASIA/PACIFIC, member of the Asia Pacific Research Network, Head of the national civic movement of CSOs “Development effectiveness”.

She is a trainer on women's rights and served as a Global Trainer of the CSW/NGO Committee. She has gained aid and development effectiveness since the last ten years with strong regional engagement on the struggle for democratic ownership, adequate accountability. She also gained working experience on SDGs and Agenda 2030 since 2013 with deep involvement into UN processes on SDGs at global, regional, national and local levels.

OTHER SPEAKERS

Ms. Sushila Shrestha
Chairperson
Beyond Beijing Committee (BBC) Nepal



Ms. Sushila Shrestha, Founder and Chairperson of Beyond Beijing Committee (BBC) Nepal is a feminist and women rights activist, who has dedicated more than 45 years of her life to fight against the discrimination and inequality and stand up for women’s rights. Besides being the founder and chairperson of BBC Nepal, she is also serving as the Executive Director of Swapna Vatika Academy and is

one of the founders and current executive member of Women’s Security Pressure Group. She has also served her tenure as the Vice-chair and General Secretary at All Nepal Women’s Association.

Since her student life, she has been engaged in the democratic movement to bring system change in Nepal. She had participated in the UN Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing as one of the representatives from Nepal and been a part of various national and international conferences after that. She has written a biography of the great political leader of Nepal Sahana Pradhan.

**Ms. Krishna Kumari Waiba,
General Secretary
Beyond Beijing Committee (BBC) Nepal**



Ms Waiba is a women rights activist and an indigenous women leader. She has gained experience in working in a diverse area of human rights, women rights and indigenous people's rights. Currently, she is coordinating the Durban Review Conference Follow-up Committee (DRCFC). She has contributed in drafting the government's Three-Year Interim Plan. She has been an active practitioner and trainer of Human Rights-Based Approach to Development and Indigenous People; localizing MDGs, SDGs, BPfA, CEDAW, UNDRIP, ILO C No. 169, CRC and promoter of Participatory Local Governance for Rural Development. She has engaged in various human rights mechanisms including Durban Review Conference 2009 Geneva, Asia-Pacific NGO Forum on Beijing +15, the UPR process, CEDAW, UN CSW. She was decorated with "Honoring 100 women to mark 100 years of Women's Resistance RIGHTS, EMPOWERMENT, LIBERATION".

MODERATOR

**Ms. Shanta Laxmi Shrestha (MPhil)
Gender Equality and Human Rights Advocate**



Ms. Shanta Laxmi Shrestha is a Think Tank member of the MWCS and honorary chair of Beyond Beijing Committee Nepal. She has founded several WROs and had served in the government and INGOs in Nepal, Eritrea, Tanzania and Zambia. She had facilitated different development organizations in Ethiopia, Uganda, Mozambique, Mauritania, Nigeria, Malawi, South Africa, Swaziland and Kenya. She had shouldered the responsibility of Chairperson of the Beyond Beijing Committee -Nepal in 2014 and mainstreamed Women's Human Rights in the National Human Rights movement. She had convened the 7th Human Rights National Magna Meet (HRNMM), lunched campaign 50:50 by 2030 and established the 'Shanta Laxmi Shrestha Women's Human Rights award' in 2015.

She is the first female HRNMM National Coordinator of Nepal and the initiator of SheDecides movement in Nepal. She engaged in the UN processes on BPfA, CPD and SDGs at global, regional, national and local levels. She is known as gender equality and SDGs expert.