

**BNAC Study Day
Edinburgh University
30th March 2009**

Draft Timetable

9.00 coffee

9.30 – 9.45

Welcome remarks: Surya Subedi

9.45 – 10.30 Keynote Address and discussion

Prashanta Jha (*Nepali Times*) Political dynamics in the Tarai

10.30 – 11.45 Socio-political Transformations

Chair: David Gellner

10.30 – 10.55 Michael Hutt (SOAS) The Abolition of the Monarchy

10.55 – 11.20 Jeevan Sharma (Tufts) Local Perceptions of Conflict and Social Transformation in Contemporary Nepal

11.20- 11.45 Oliver Housden (SOAS / Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies) A Failing State or a State in Transition? The Future of Human Security in Nepal

11.45 – 12.30 The Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh and the Flora of Nepal Project.

Chair: Ian Harper

Presentations by Dr Colin Pendry (Royal Botanic), Bhaskar Adhikari (Edinburgh) and Sangeeta Rajbhandary (TU and Botanic)

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 - 14.10 Migration and Diaspora

Chair: Michael Hutt

13.30 – 13.50 Radha Adhikari (Edinburgh) Brokering and Migration to the UK

13.50 – 14.10 T.N. Sapkota, E. van Teijlingen, and P. Simkhada (Aberdeen) Nepalese Health Workers' Migration to the UK: A Qualitative Study

14.15 – 15.15 Development issues

Chair: Ben Campbell

14.15 – 14.35 Bimbika Sijapati (LSE) The Implications of Migration for Gender Relations and Collective Action: Lessons from Community Forestry in the Middle Hills of Nepal

14.35 – 14.55 Sam Staddon (Edinburgh) Community Participation in Environmental Monitoring: Insights from the Forests of Nepal

14.55 – 15.15 Robin Shields (London Metropolitan University) Information Access and Communications Policy in Nepal

15.15 – 15.45 CNSUK research

Chair: Krishna Adhikari

Presentations by Chandra Laksamba and Raju Babu Shrestha, including a brief preliminary report on the conclusion of the survey of UK-based Nepalis

15.45 – 16.15 Tea and coffee

16.15 – 17.45 Public Health Research

Chair: Surya Subedi

16.15 – 16.35 Chris Lewis and James Newell (Leeds and HERD): TB and DOTS: Patients' Perspectives of Patient-centred Care

16.35 – 17.45 The Aberdeen Public Health Research Agenda

Introduction by Dr P. Simkhada. Presentations TBC.

**18.00 – 19.00 FILM “A Transhimalayan Road and the People of the Border”,
presented by Ben Campbell**

19.30 Drinks and dinner