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Anthropology

The ancestral forest : Memory, space and ritual among the Kulunge Rai of Eastern Nepal / Martino Nicoletti
Kathmandu : Vajra publications, c2006
303 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
99946-720-2-9
Cinnabaris series of oriental studies – I
\$ 27.50

[Lost among the high hills of eastern Nepal, which has meant centuries of cultural isolation, the Kulunge Rai ethnic group have tenaciously maintained their religious tradition ever since their ancient origins. Bearing witness to a far-off past of hunting and nomadic life, their myths and legends form a plot and scenario that comprise and multitude of invisible entities: the "hunter-spirits" and the "monkey spirits", the undisputed sovereigns of the forest world; Laladum, the deity who resembles a little girl, the initiator of young shamans from the villages of the area; the Nagi, or ophidiomorphic-spirits, dwelling in the waters, the totem ancestors of the Kulunge Rai group; Molu, a mythical forefather, lost in the woods and transformed into a deity. A fascinating journey through the oral memory, the sacred geography and religious imaginary of this people. An ideal itinerary that progressively abandons the inhabited world and enters the abysses of the mythical woodlands – the silent witnesses of the group's ancient life style – only to lost itself in the thick of the immense forests that even today surround the settlements of the Kulunge Rai. Starting from the cults of domestic deities, the research goes on to analyse the rituals that accompany the souls of the dead and the village farming cults, as a necessary step before dealing with the hunting cults and the hidden paths beaten by Kulunge Rai shamans.]

The Badi of west Nepal : Prostitution as a social norm among an untouchable caste /
Thomas Cox
Bangkok : Orchid press, c2006
1v. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography
988-97764-6-4
\$ 15.00

[The 1993 publication of The Badi of west Nepal: Prostitution as a social norm among an untouchable caste was a milestone in Nepali studies. The monograph raised awareness about commercial sex in Nepal and the danger presented by the potential spread of the HIV-1 (AIDS) virus in the country. In doing so, it spurred national and international agencies to take a proactive role in AIDS prevention among the Badi, and also it focused a number of efforts to improve the Badis' lot in Nepali society overall. The resources, training and encouragement provided by these various organizations have changed the Badi's culture of fatalism and have facilitated the development of effective new Badi women leaders. It is hoped that this second edition of The Badi of west Nepal will continue to spread awareness about the Badi and encourage people not only to learn more about them, but also to contribute in whatever way possible to activities which protect the Badis' basic rights of self-determination and freedom from persecution.]

Business

Investment scenario in Nepal
Kathmandu : Nepal investment consultants group, 2006
98 p. ; 23 cm.
\$ 5.00

Nepal-India business and industry
Kathmandu : Nepal investment consultants group, 2006
98 p. ; 23 cm.
\$ 5.00

Economics

Regional strategies for sustainable development in Nepal / Jibgar Joshi
Kathmandu : Lajmina Joshi, c2006
viii, 156 p. ; 21 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99933-945-0-5
\$ 10.00

Insurgency affected people of Nepal – Rehabilitation / Ujjwal Upadhyay
Kathmandu : Institute for integrated development studies (IIDS) [Kaushila foundation for peace and innovative initiatives]., c2006
xiii, 116 p. ; 21 cm.
999-46-915-3
\$ 5.00

Empire of corruption / Babu Ram Dhakal
Nepal : Babu Ram Dhakal, c2005

184 p. ; 23 cm.
99946-33-91-0
\$ 10.00

[...Corruption is not an easier subject to write about, Given the tendency of our bureaucracy to hide information, this becomes so difficult as chewing iron bullets for media men. The effort made by the author to write this book seems wonderful as well as successful. In the book the author has also mentioned about the ways to control corruption. This clearly stands Empire of Corruption as a resource book for those trying to study the nature of corruption. The writer's work is praiseworthy...]

Stock market in Nepal / Rabindra Bhattarai
Kathmandu : Dhaulagiri Books and stationery, 2006
191 p. ; 23 cm.
Stock market in Nepal, Vol. 1
\$ 5.00

Liberation is not enough : The Kamaiya movement in Nepal / Anita Cheria [et.al]
Kathmandu : ActionAid international Nepal, c2005
xxii, 274 p. ; 23 cm.
99946-800-2-1
\$ 8.00

Taxation in Nepal / Ishwor Bhattarai, Girija Prasad Koirala
3rd ed.
Kathmandu : Asmita books publishers and distributors
341 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-45-00-5
\$ 10.00

Rural development in Nepal : Prospects and challenges : Magnitude of development – Relation between rural development and politics / Nani Ram Subedi, Dilli Ram Adhikari
Kathmandu : Centre for good governance and development (CEGOD), c2006
v, 184 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-894-0-1
\$ 8.00

[Contents:

1. State and rural development
 2. Political system and development process
 3. Democracy and constitutional process for rural development
 4. The constitution in Nepal
 5. Administrative system and rural development
 6. Concept of decentralisation
 7. Concept of bureaucracy
 8. Local political institutions
 9. Leadership rural development
 10. Ecology of rural political and administrative systems
 11. Challenges to non-governmental organisations in Nepal.]
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Development planning in the Era of globalization / Govind Nepal
Nepal : Himalaya book stall, c2006
115 p. ; 21 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-46-17-6
\$ 4.00

[Contents:

Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Development planning in the Era of globalization
Chapter 3: Short-range, medium-range and long-range planning
Chapter 4: Macro and sectoral planning
Chapter 5: Regional planning
Chapter 6: Local level planning
Chapter 7: Project planning
Chapter 8: Techniques and tools of development planning
Chapter 9: Monitoring and evaluation techniques
Chapter 10: Development planning in Nepal
Chapter 11: Development planning in SAARC countries.]

Caste/Ethnic representation at policy making levels in Nepal / Ram Prakash Yadav
Kathmandu : Nepal centre for contemporary studies (NCCS), c2005
25 p. ; 23 cm.
NCCS occasional paper – 13, September 2005
\$ 3.00

Tax laws and tax planning in Nepal / Puspa Raj Kandel
4th ed. [1st ed., 2003, 2nd ed. 2004, 3rd ed. 2005]
Kathmandu : Buddha academic publishers and distributors Pvt. Ltd., c2006
462 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-48-18-7
\$ 8.00

Rural development in developing countries / Krishna Bahadur Kunwar
Kathmandu : Meena Kunwar, c2006
418 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99933-500-0-1
\$ 8.00

[Contents:

1. Concept of development
2. Development theories
3. Rural development policy
4. Rural development strategies
5. Policy instruments for rural development
6. Target and target setting
7. Awareness and utilization of development programs
8. Poverty and rural development
9. Approaches for rural development
10. Finance of rural development.]

The people and resource dynamics project : The first three years (1996-1999) – Proceedings of a workshop held in Baoshan, Yunnan province, China, March 2-5, 1999 / Edited by Richard Allen [et.al]

Kathmandu : International centre for integrated mountain development, c2000

xv, 333 p. ; 26 cm.

92-9115-202-1

\$ 10.00

[Contents:

Part I: The people and their resources

Part II: The people and their forests

Part III: Climate, water and sediment issues

Part IV: Geology and soils

Conclusions and recommendations.]

Environment

Environment assessment of Nepal : Emerging issues and challenges

Kathmandu : Asian development bank, [International centre for integrated mountain development], c2006

224 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

Includes bibliography.

\$ 15.00

[The environment plays a crucial role in enabling and sustaining poverty reduction – and the effect is magnified within mountainous ecosystems such as those found in Nepal. Including environmental considerations in planning is a must, but to do this we, need the relevant environmental data. In Nepal, environmental data and information can be difficult to find. Many data sets are unpublished-held in reports, ministry files, and others-much is inconsistent, and there are big gaps, especially in terms of time series and reliable, verified data. The environment assessment of Nepal attempts to bring together a large part of what is available to provide an analysis of environmental status and trends in the country; the policy, legal and institutional framework for environmental management; financing mechanism; and major environmental issues and opportunities. The assessment highlights data inconsistencies, gaps, and needs, and the extensive list of sources provides an excellent starting point for anyone attempting to locate relevant environment data. The book is a demonstration of ADB's and ICIMOD's strong commitment to developing south Asia's environment knowledge base further, disseminating the information widely, and providing much needed environment assessment information to policy makers, researchers and development practitioners for the development of economically and environmentally sound ecosystems while improving living standards.]

Geography

Geography and geographers' work in Nepal : Reflections on mountain environment and human activities / Edited by Bhim P. Subedi, Padma C. Poudel

Kathmandu : Nepal geographical society [Central department of geography, National centre of competence in research], c2005

ii, 175 p. ; 23 cm.

99933-52-71-3

1. Geography
\$ 8.00

[Contents:

1. Geography and geographers' work in Nepal : An introduction / Bhim Prasad Subedi and Padma Chandra Poudel
2. Mountain environment and landscape change / Harka Gurung
3. Nepal's location: Its security concern, maoist insurgency and water resource development / Mangal Siddhi Manandhar
4. Urbanization and development in Nepal: Preliminary exploration of the 2001 census / Pitamber Sharma
5. International migration in Nepal for livelihood / Vidya Bir Singh Kansakar
6. A glimpse of geographic research in Nepal: Review and reflection / Bhim Prasad Subedi
7. Examination in Geography: Some Reflections / Padma Chandra Poudel
8. Women in woolen-garment knitting in Peri-urban Kathmandu: A strive towards achieving status / Bhim P. Subedi and Ashok Rajbanshi
9. Some interface between indigenous and scientific knowledge in Peri-urban agriculture of Manahara, Bhaktapur
10. Information technology in New Millennium: Do geographes need to Rethink
11. Geography in school and higher education / Debendra Bahadur Lamichhane.]

Proceedings of the national conference on geography in Nepal : Mountain environment and human activities / Edited by Bhim P. Subedi [et.al]
Kathmandu : Central department of geography [Nepal geographical society], c2006
146 p. ; 23 cm.
99933-52-74-8
1. Geography
\$ 8.00

[Contents:

1. Nepalese geographers meet in Pokhara: An introduction / Bhim Prasad Subedi and Padma Chandra Poudel
2. Geographers in academic research in Nepal / Nanda Gopal Ranjitkar
3. The impact of global processes in the local practices: A case study of changing farming system in Ilam, eastern Nepal / Prem Sagar chapagain
4. Perception of the Non-migrant (Tharus) community towards the hill migrants (Paharis) in the Far western tarai of Nepal
5. Geographic information system: opportunities and constraints in Nepal / Puspa Sharma
6. Principal component analysis and identification of important components of periodic markets in Saptari district, Nepal / Umesh Kumar Mandal
7. Nepal's geographical diversity and tourism prospects / Shree Raj Joshi.]

History

Syamukapu : The Lhasa Newars of Kalimpong and Kathmandu / D.S. Kansakar Hilker
Kathmandu : Vajra publications, c2005
252 p. ; 21 cm.
99946-644-6-8
\$ 17.50

[The book stretches over a period of 122 years, from 1882 to 2004 and unfolds in Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Lhasa and Kathmandu. Within this span is a period when Buddhist monks were persecuted in Nepal in 1926 and 1944. The story is about a flourishing trade era between Tibet and Nepal carried out by the quiet but determined Newars of Kathmandu under difficult circumstances. It was a period of trade which is little known to the rest of the world. The centuries old trade route over northern Nepal came to a standstill with the opening of the Jelep-la or the YOUNGHUSBAND pass for the British India in 1904. This resulted in the Newars choosing the newly opened pass not far from Kalimpong for their trade to Tibet.]

Nepal – A notebook of sojourn / Sylvain Levi
Kathmandu : The Nepal studies: Past and present, c2006
105 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
\$ 25.00

[Contents:

Ambassador of France to Nepal / Michel Jolivet

Postscript / Himalaya Shumsher Rana

Letter from a teacher to his taught / Lakshman Raj Joshi

Nepal: A notebook of sojourn / Sylvain Levi

For your reference and reflection please: / Hardhar Raj Joshi-Indu Joshi (Mrs.)

Appendix A: Areas covered by Devasthan inside Thapathali of Maharaja Dev Shumsher

Appendix B: Blavatsky and Theosophical movement

Appendix C: English version of the writing by Sylvain Levi in French on the photograph on the cover page

Appendix D: English rendering in French of writing by Sylvain Levi in his book.]

Tasbeer / Edited by Naresh Shrestha
Nepal : Naresh Shrestha
96 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
99946-677-0-X
\$ 10.00

[Nepal is facing many problems. Internal war has resulted in the irreparable loss of lives and infrastructures. In 2061 Bikram Era, Nepal's problems have worsened. Political instability has damaged economic, social, cultural sectors. Many more people were killed. Infrastructures have been damaged. However, there have been some positive signs.

History is the record of events happened in the past. With this fact in mind, we have tried to keep records of the main events that have happened in Nepal without any manipulation. Photography is an effective medium in keeping such records. We plan to publish such photographic records of the main events every year in a book.

Tasbeer – 2062 is our first effort to keep photographic records of the important events of the year.

Law

International watercourses law and its application in South Asia / Trilochan Upreti
Kathmandu : Pairavi Prakashan, c2006

xxi, 367 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-51-22-6
\$ 30.00

[Contents:

Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Development and codification of international watercourses law
Chapter 3: Equitable utilisation
Chapter 4: Prospects and problems of Nepalese water resources
Chapter 5: India's river linking project
Chapter 6: Conclusions and recommendations.]

Concepts and evolution of human rights : Nepalese perspective / Yubaraj Sangroula
Nepal : Kathmandu school of law (KSL), c2005
375 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
99946-56-23-6
\$ 15.00

[Contents:

Chapter 1: Comparative analysis of human rights concepts and principles
Chapter 2: Conflict and human rights: New ways in thinking about conflict transformation
Chapter 3: Transformation of conflict
Chapter 4: Ratification of HR instruments and resulting obligations
Chapter 5: Right to fair and impartial trial and judicial activism for human rights
Chapter 6: Prison system and human rights situation
Chapter 7: Juvenile justice system and human rights.]

Jana Andolan-II – A witness account : A report of human rights violation by the King's government during nineteen days of the movement –April 6-24, 2006 / Edited by Kundan Aryal, Upendra Kumar Poudel
Kathmandu : Informal sector service centre (INSEC), c2006
iii, 329 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
99946-904-0-X
\$ 10.00

[This last nineteen days of the King's direct rule, that hold the nation stand still, became the final round of struggle for the seven political parties. With his second proclamation within four days king Gyanendra was compelled to bow down before the people. The nation entered into the era of Loktantra. Now in the changed context, to review and recall Jana Andolan-II , the issue of consolidation of the people's rights has to be considered. Such reminiscence should also signify transitional justice. Justice must not be ignored in any pretext. It could be an indicator whether the Jana Andolan-II has completed yet.]

Linguistics

Sherpa conversation and basic words / Lhakpa Doma Sherpa [et.al]
Kathmandu : Ratna books, c2006
167 p. ; 14 cm.

Includes index.
99933-58-02-9
\$ 5.00

[Contents:

Part I: Sherpa conservation (Sherpa-English)
Part II: Basic words (Sherpa-English)
Part III: Conjugation of Sherpa verbs (English-Sherpa)
Part IV: Numbers.]

Official Publications

Nepal yearbook 2006 – Volume 11(eleven) / Edited by Ramesh C. Arya
Kathmandu : NYB publications, c2006
xii, 164 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
99946-982-6-5
\$ 10.00

Survey of selected services Nepal 2004-2005
Kathmandu : Central bureau of statistics, 2005
v, 94 p. ; 29 cm.
\$ 10.00

[Contents:

1. Hair dressing and beauty parlor activities by area/classification
2. Photographic activities by area/classification
3. Computer related activities by area/classification
4. Sale, maintenances and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
5. Repair of electrical and electronics goods

Annex.]

Budget speech of fiscal year 2006/07
Nepal : Government of Nepal, Ministry of finance, 2006
72 p. ; 25 cm.
\$ 5.00

Women in Nepal some statistical facts
Kathmandu : Central Bureau of statistics, 2006
189 p. ; 19 cm.
\$ 10.00

Environment statistics of Nepal – 2005
Kathmandu : Central bureau of statistics, 2006
vii, 97 p. ; 28 cm.
\$ 10.00

Nepal living standards survey – (1995/96 and 2003/04)
Kathmandu : Central bureau of statistics, 2006
vi, 69 p. ; 28 cm.
\$ 10.00

Politics

Nepal – Contemporary political situation II : Opinion poll report / Sudhindra Sharma,
Pawan Kumar Sen
Kathmandu : Interdisciplinary analysts (IDA) [The Asia foundation]., c2006
vi, 145 p. ; 30 cm.
99946-963-6-x
\$ 5.00

Batsyayana and his barbs : A cartoonist's take on post-1990 Nepal / Compiled &
Introduced by Ajit Baral
Kathmandu : Fineprint books, c2006
x, 148 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
999-962-0-3
\$ 20.00

[Batsyayana is Nepal's foremost cartoonist, both in terms of the content of his work and its technical quality. With great wit, insight and skill, he has over the years, created a brilliant document of the post 1990 democratic era, with all its strengths and foibles. Newspaper cartoons are often topical....[and] they cease to be of interest once their subjects lose public relevance. However, most of Batsyayana's cartoons retain their charm even when the context is changed. Despite familiarity, the agony, the suffering, the joys and most of all the bewilderment of the characters in his cartoons maintain their novelty long after what they have said become stale.]

Continuous interference / Shastra Dutta Pant
Nepal : Shastra Dutta Pant institute for rural development (SIRUD), c2006
298 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
99933-943-0-0
\$ 10.00

[Contents:
Chapter 1: Introduction
Chapter 2: Foreign interference in Nepal's politics
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Chapter 5: Interference in natural resources
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Chapter 8: Interference in citizenship
Chapter 9: Interference in monarchy
Chapter 10: Interference in Hindu kingdom
Chapter 11: Interference in economic sector
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Chapter 13: Medium of interference
Chapter 14: Problems and their solutions
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Research journal – bi-annual publication – Vol. 1, No. 1 – January-July 2006 / Edited
by Arjun Bahadur Ayadi
Kathmandu : Ratna Pustak Bhandar, 2006
156 p. ; 21 cm.

\$ 5.00

[Contents:

1. Basic concept of social science research / Arjun Bahadur Ayadi
2. Ashtavakra: An unravised bride of quietness and slow time / Binay Kumar Das
3. State, Values and democracy in Nepal and Japan / Khadga K.C.
4. Protected areas: Relations, problems and conflicting issues / Kiran Raj Regmi
5. Identity politics in Nepal / Uddhab Pd. Pyakurel
6. Sonaha Jatiko Manavshastriya Adhyayan / Bhiu Singh Budha
7. Maoist problem and socio-cultural change in Nepal / S.B. Rayamajhi.]

Religion

O Ayodhya ! / Balendra B. Katwal (Diyale)
Biratnagar : Ekthariya research centre, c2006
156 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography.
\$ 5.00

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Acknowledgements
1. Introduction
2. What is Hinduism?
3. Hamlet and the Gita
4. Islam – What is it?
5. Ramjanmabhoomi-Babri Masjid wrangle
6. Muslim terrorism
7. Conclusion
Bibliography.]

Long pilgrimage : The life and teaching of Sri Govindananda Bharati known as the Shivapuri Baba/ J.G. Bennett
[1st published 1965, 1st paperback 1975, 2nd ed. 1982]
Kathmandu : Giridhar Lal Manandhar, c2006
188 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
Includes index.
99946-956-7-3
\$ 10.00

[This book starts with a visit to the saint by Dr S. Radhakrishnan, India's beloved president, and gives his amazing life story which included a 35-year-old world pilgrimage. He spoke with many monarchs, heads of state, and spiritual and cultural leaders, and the book describes interesting personal anecdotes of people he met from Queen Victoria to Theodore Roosevelt and Bernard Shaw. The fundamental principles of Rights living taught by the Shivapuri Baba is wonderful in its simplicity, yet it can be adapted for any age or culture. It can be summed up as a discipline which takes into account the needs of the body, the taming and purification of the mind and enfoldment of the spirit, in harmony. The Right life or Swadharma, stands for a minimum of life, yet a life that is lived in fullness, lived upon all levels and all

departments, lived to perfection right up to the stage of realization of the Supreme spirit or God. His teaching of the Three Disciplines in of practical value to the modern world. This particular edition of the book is being published for the first time in Nepal from where the teaching of the Shivapuri Baba first originated.]

Sherpas bouddhistes / Henri Sigayret
Kathmandu : Vajra publications, c2006
622 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
99946-720-4-5
\$ 40.00
