

Trade Policy and Economic Diplomacy in Federal Nepal

South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics and Environment

SAWTEE

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Radisson Hotel, Lazimpat

Tentative Schedule

9:30	Registration	
10:00	Inaugural Session	
	Welcome Remarks: Dr. Paras Kharel, Executive Director, SAWTEE Remarks: Mr. Toyam Raya, Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies (MoICS) Remarks: Mr. Bharat Raj Paudyal, Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) Chair: Dr. Posh Raj Pandey, Chairman, SAWTEE	
11:00	Session 1	
	Presentation: Trade Policy and Value Chain Development in Federal Nepal Presenters: 1. Mr. Purushottam Ojha, Former Secretary, MoICS 2. Ms. Neelu Thapa, SAWTEE	Chair: Mr. Gobinda Bahadur Karkee, Joint Secretary, MoICS Panelists: 1. Mr. Jib Raj Koirala, Former Joint Secretary, MoICS 2. Ms. Neeru Rayamajhi, President, Federation of Women Entrepreneurs Association of Nepal (FWEAN) 3. Ms. Shanta Baskota, Director, Kanchanjangha Tea Estate and Research Centre (KTERC) 4. Mr. Rajan Sharma, Former President, Nepal Freight Forwarders Association 5. Mr. Rajendra Timalisina, Himalayan Natural Food Product and Export Pvt. Ltd.
13:00	Lunch	
14:00	Session 2	
	Presentation: Economic Diplomacy for Trade Facilitation and Export Promotion Presenters: 1. Dr. Dinesh Bhattarai, Former Foreign Affairs Advisor to the Prime Minister, Former Ambassador to Switzerland 2. Mr. Swastik Aryal, Research Officer, SAWTEE	Chair: Ms. Sewa Lamsal, Joint Secretary, MoFA Panelists: 1. Amb. Madhu Raman Acharya, Former Secretary, MoFA 2. Amb. Shambhu Ram Simkhada, Former Permanent Representative to UN 3. Mr. Suraj Vaidya, Honorary Consul General of The Philippines to Nepal and Former President, FNCCI 4. Mr. Rabi Shanker Sainju, Trade and Economic Diplomacy Expert, and Former Joint Secretary, MoICS
16:00	Hi-Tea	