

# SEBS Annual Report 2023-24

# Message from the President



Dear SEBS Members,

As we reflect on our journey, I would like to express our deep gratitude to all SEBSers and past Executive Committees for their exemplary contributions and leadership. When we inherited the mantle from them, SEBS was already a well-established organization, and we owe them our heartfelt thanks for their dedication and hard work. Additionally, I thank all the current Executive Committee members for demonstrating their commitment and dedication to SEBS.

Upon taking up this responsibility, we were confronted with several unexpected situations , which required considerable time and attention, diverting us from some of our initial goals. However, we have maintained high standards established by our forebears while working to improve SEBS's institutional and financial standing.

The biggest challenge we have faced is ensuring the financial sustainability and institutional reforms of SEBS. The introduction of the batch fund has proven to be a lifeline for our organization. In a landscape where we have limited ourselves from increasing membership fees, the batch fund has emerged as a crucial source of stability. It is imperative that this fund continues, as it provides a sustainable financial foundation that enables us to carry out our mission.

We are dedicated in our commitment to making SEBS institutionally strong, ensuring it can withstand governance challenges now and in the future. Continuous improvements are being made, and we are determined to uphold the legacy of SEBS.

To bring our alumni community closer together, we have continued with SEBS Sandhya; a brand of ours that has become a cherished tradition, networking events, meet and greet, alumni talk series and so on. These initiatives serve as a powerful way to reconnect with our alums, fostering the bonds that have always been at the heart of SEBS.

I would also like to take a moment to honor the founders of SEBS, who, in 1982, laid the foundation for what has become a vibrant and resilient organization. Forty-two years on, despite the setbacks we've encountered, SEBS has withstood the test of time and emerged as a beacon of hope for future SEBSers.

Moreover, SEBS has earned respect not only within our community but also from external stakeholders. The recognition we have received from the Ministry is a testament to SEBS's ability to support the school and make a meaningful impact.

We will continue to work tirelessly for the benefit of our alums, with the upcoming SEBS building being a symbol of our efforts to bring the community closer together. SEBS has witnessed its share of ups and downs, but we continue to stand tall and strong. With your continued support, we look forward to a future filled with promise and progress.

Thank you.

Sincerely, 131A Santosh Bisht

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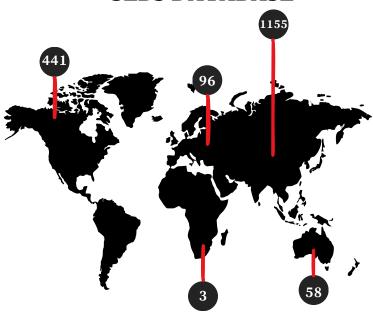
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## **SEBS DATABASE**



Data collection percentage: 39%

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Log in to <u>sebsdb.org</u> and fill your data and help the database grow

# ALUMNI BUILDING COMPLEX MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING





The construction of the BNKS Alumni Building was approved. It was formalized on June 21, 2024. The School Management Committee (SMC) approved the decision of constructing the building within the school premises and it was endorsed by the Board of Trustees (BOT) and was minuted officially.

# SEBS Networking Forum

#### PUBLIC SERVICE SECTOR

A networking event for the Public Service Sector was held on September 30, 2023, Leapfrog Technology, Charkhal. The event brought together over 45 alumni from the 1st to the 4000E batch, providing a valuable opportunity for networking and knowledge sharing.

panel featured The distinguished alumni, including:

107A Dr. Roshan Pokhrel, Secretary, Ministry of Health 263A Puskar Karki, AIGP (Retd.):

526A Himanshu Khadka, Brigadier General (Retd.); 652C Dr. Rashmi Sharma,

Chief Consultant Dermatologist, Bir Hospital; 4243C Sujan Jojiju, Senior Mechanical Divisional

Engineer; 795C Yunesh Pratap Singh, Section Officer, Ministry of Finance.

The event was moderated by 7130C Pratik Karki from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and hosted by 400IE Smritee Thapa.

#### LAW SECTOR

A networking event for the Law Sector was held on January 13, 2024, at Leapfrog Technology, Charkhal. The event saw participation from over 50 alumni, ranging from the 1st to the 4000E batch, providing a platform for meaningful connections and discussions. The featured panel prominent legal professionals, including: 904A Bolaram Pandey, Shantidoot Law Firm; 785B Sadeep Kharel, Kharel Law Associates: 816C Neupane, Anjan Neupane Law Associates; 817C Avash Pandit, Gandhi Law Associates:

Manusmriti Baral,

4017D

Antony Batty & Company. The event was moderated by Bhawana Adhikari, 1131E B.A.L.L.B., and hosted by Sashwot 8046D Basnet, Corporate Law Practitioner. thanks Special Himal Karmacharva Leapfrog Technology, and to 785B Sadeep Kharel and 817C Anjan Neupane for

sponsoring the event.



A Networking Event for the Private Sector, focused on the topic "The Impact of Economic Recession in the Private Sector," was held at Hotel Jal Mahal, Pokhara on July 26, 2024. This marked the first time such an event organized outside Kathmandu, with over 50 alumni from various batches participating and engaging in valuable networking opportunities. featured panel esteemed including:

professionals 637A Pritam Man Buddhacharya, 165B Amit Raj Mulmi, Sudip Acharva, Dinesh Parsai, and 597B Umang Sharma.

The event was moderated by 668C Sandhya Paudel and hosted by 2055E Aditi Singh.

Special thanks to 310B Dinesh Parsai for providing the venue and to 200A Batch for generous support to the event. We are also deeply grateful to our sponsors: Birendra Basnet from Buddha Air, Avash Pandit, Suresh, Ishwor Karmacharya, Amit Mulmi from Big Splash, Pokhara, and Dev Chhetri House, Media Pokhara, for their invaluable contributions. These networking events were coordinated by the event organizing team: 8133D Nitanta, 2129E Shamir, 2055E Áditi, 597B Umang and was lead by 186B Gokul.



# MEET AND GREET

SEBS organized a post New Year Meet and Greet event at Anupam Foodland, Battisputali on January 26, 2024, Friday. More than 150 SEBSers across all batches (A-E) participated at the event. SEBS took the opportunity to felicitate 200A batch for being a part of BNKS 50 years' Golden Jubilee and supporting SEBS through thick and thin.

The Meet and Greet Team consisted of 8133D Nitanta Singh Bista, and the members were 675C Tulsi Ramtel, 259A Sanjeev K. Shah; they coordinated the event and we are grateful to 217A Gopal Singh for assisting with the venue.





# **SEBS and BBC Meeting**

Executive committees of SEBS and Budhanilkantha Business Cooperative had a meeting on December 17, 2023 , the focus was on exploring avenues for supporting SEBS and enhancing BBC's membership. It was discussed that one potential activity to support SEBS could be offering loans to needy SEBS members. This could be a way to provide immediate financial assistance when needed.



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#### **SEBS SANDHYA**





SEBS Sandhya 2024 organized by SEBS Ex-Comm. (2023-25) held on May 25, 2024 in the Middle Pitch at Budhanilkantha School, was a resounding success. The event was graced by an enthusiastic crowd of 2500, who enjoyed spectacular performances by our talented artists, making it a joyous experience for everyone involved.

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The event management was coordinated by 232C Saroj Tamrakar, Co-led by 8133D Nitanta Singh Bista and 2055E Aditi Singh, supported by FOBS, Council of School Prefects, and Garage Entertainment.

#### SEBS FINANCIAL POLICY

Financial policies and procedures are foundational components of effective financial management. Considering the ever evolving landscape of finance process management, we have made some updates to the 'Financial Manual 2022'. We have worked on strengthening our control measures (both internal and external), Transparency and Accountability, Compliance to ensure adherence to local and international financial regulations, Control over assets and liabilities, Procurement, Personnel, Travel, and Cash management.

**GRIEVANCE HANDLING** 

An anonymous member used the SEBS Facebook page to express grievances against a company established by a SEBSers, upon request to resolve the issue, a series of meetings was called between the two parties. To maintain confidentiality as requested, the meeting was moderated by 131A Santosh Bisht and facilitated by 1008E Kritika Khadka and 2055E Aditi Singh. This event served as a tip-off to the SEBS, preventing the members from airing their criticisms and personal grievances using SEBS's social media platform. To avoid similar events SEBS has decided to create an online portal for expressing grievances without publicly defaming anyone.

#### ANONYMOUS COMPLAINT HANDLING

The SEBS Anonymous Complaint Handling Procedure establishes a structured approach to manage anonymous complaints. It mandates that all anonymous complaints be submitted through official email channels upon receiving a complaint, the SEBS Secretariat acknowledges it and forwards it to the committee for assessment. Depending on the complaint's severity, an investigation may follow, led by either the committee or an independent team. Actions based on findings could include policy changes or disciplinary measures. Confidentiality, non-retaliation, and continuous improvement are prioritized throughout the process. A complaint handling committee consisting of 9054 D Janak Sitaula, 1008E Kritika Khadka and 2055E Aditi Singh is made to do any preliminary work regarding complaints and submit it to the Ex-Comm. All SEBSers are encouraged to submit their complaint to <a href="mailto:info@sebs.org.np">info@sebs.org.np</a>.

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# **ALUMNI TALK SERIES**



On December 3, 2023, 504C Bhawana Consultant Amatva. General Practitioner, Travel Medicine Expert, and a member of the WHO Guideline Development Group for International Health and Travel, shared her personal and professional journey with the students. She provided valuable knowledge, insights, and experiences to inspire and guide them. During her talk, she highlighted her extensive experience in the medical field, which was followed by an engaging O&A session.



On June 24, 2024, 879B Abhishek Basnyat, who has worked at the Bank of England, The World Bank Group, and the International Monetary Fund, and was an Economic Specialist at the U.S. Department of State in Kathmandu, shared his personal and professional journey. He was the guest speaker at a talk show organized by the Forum of Young Economists Club at BNKS, where he also provided valuable insights into the contemporary Nepalese economic scenario.



On July 5, 2024, 817B Dr. Suresh Thapa, who serves as the Chief Consultant Gastroenterologist to the Nepalese Government and Professor Associate of Internal Medicine at Pokhara Academy of Health Sciences, engaged students by sharing his journey. His talk offered a wealth of knowledge. practical insights, and valuable experiences, aimed at inspiring and guiding the next generation.



On August 23, 2024, 8178 D Sayana Rai led the talk series, sharing her journey and experiences in the field of civil engineering. She completed Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering at Kathmandu Engineering College, Tribhuvan University, Currently, she is interning as a Civil Engineer at Tekton Consultancy, Sanepa, and also serves as a Trainee Civil Engineer with the Motorable Local Road Bridge Program, supported by the Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (SDC) in Pokhara.

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# PRINCIPAL SELECTION GUIDELINE

On October 9, 2023, SMC discussed on developing a comprehensive guideline for the selection of the principal as suggested by SEBS. It decided to form a three-member committee for drafting the guidelines for the principal selection process. The committee would comprise of three members, one each from SEBS, FOBS, and one nominated from the Ministry. 383A Neel Tamrakar, a seasoned expert in the education sector, was nominated as one of the members of a three-member committee to represent SEBS. On October 16, 2023, SMC meeting was held to discuss on the development of comprehensive guidelines. After a long, thorough, and thoughtful conversation, the SMC approved the comprehensive guidelines for the principal selection process prepared by the three-member committee. This marked a significant milestone in the long-term governance reform of the school. These guidelines will also serve as the fundamental framework for the forthcoming principal selection process.

# SCHOLARSHIP STUDENT SELECTION GUIDELINE

The Ex-Comm. contributed to the formulation and subsequent amendment of the Scholarship Student Selection Guidelines for Budhanilkantha School. Through active participation, we helped to ensure a fair, transparent, and inclusive process that aligns with the institution's core values and commitment to supporting talented and deserving students.

# FINANCIAL CONSULTATION

Budhanilkantha School conducted a comprehensive financial review in which the SEBS Ex-Comm. played a constructive role. The comprehensive financial review led to several positive changes and the President in coordination with the Ex-Comm. played a constructive role.

# JAJARKOT EARTHQUAKE RELIEF



On November 6, 2023, SEBS Executive Committee formed an Earthquake Relief Fund Sub-Committee to support the victims affected by earthquake in Jajarkot. The team collected Rs. 4,31,565/- and distributed 120 Fiber quilts in Barekot Rural Municipality, Ward No. 1, Ramidanda and 130 Fiber Quilts and 200 pieces of warm clothes to children in need in Ward No. 2, Rokaygaau, Jajarkot Barekot Rural Municipality. Relief materials were distributed to expectant mothers (Garbhawati Mahila), new mothers (Sutkeri Mahila) and elderly citizens (Jestha Nagarik).

316A Umesh Shrestha was the Convener of the Earthquake Relief Sub-Committee and the team members were 597B Umang Sharma and 705B Ram Bishwokarma. Earthquake Relief Team was led by 8133D Nitanta Singh Bista and the team members were: 705B Ram Bishwokarma, 879B Abhishek Basnyat, 161C Lok Prakash Rokaya, and coordinated by 186B Gokul Ghimire Sharma.

# FEDERAL GRANT BY U.S. EMBASSY - UGC SESSIONS





Recognizing that teachers and guidance counselors are critical in guiding and supporting students in achieving their full potential and dreams, SEBS led the first-ever U. S. Higher Education Guidance Counselor Training Program for over 90 high school teachers and guidance counselors across Kathmandu, Biratnagar, and Pokhara with the financial assistance of USD 15,000 from the U.S. Embassy in Nepal.

Kathmandu: April 5 to 8, 2024; USEF Nepal, Maharajgunj, Kathmandu Biratnagar: May 26 and 27, 2024; Big Hotel, Roadcess, Biratnagar Pokhara: May 31 and June 1, 2024; Hotel Jal Mahal, Pardi Bazaar, Pokhara

### **PLANS 2024-25**

#### MEET AND GREET

SEBS Meet and Greet will be hosted on 6/11/2081 (Sep 27, 2024). We would like to welcome all the SEBSers for an evening filled with joy, nostalgia and fun.

#### , NETWORKING

Networking events will be organized every three months in and out of Kathmandu.

#### MUSICAL NIGHT

SEBS will organize next Musical Night. Follow our Instagram page @sebssevents for regular updates.

## GUIDANCE COUNSELING

Guidance counseling session will take place regularly at BNKS.

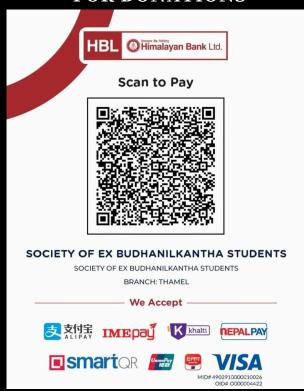
#### **NEWS LETTER**

SEBS will publish news letter quarterly.

# BY-LAWS

Initiate SEBS by-laws.

### FOR DONATIONS



#### EDITORIAL TEAM

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