



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

July - September 2025

Dear Alumni Members!

Welcome to the NUSAN Quaterly Newsletter

This newsletter provides detailed updates on alumni engagement activities from July to September 2025. This quarter, we connected with over 250 USG Exchange Alumni through various events and initiatives.

1. NUSAN Heritage Walk

The Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN), in **collaboration with Kirtipur Municipality**, successfully organized the NUSAN Heritage Walk, celebrating Kirtipur's rich cultural heritage while promoting local entrepreneurship. The event engaged U.S. Government Exchange Alumni in exploring key historical landmarks and cultural preservation. Distinguished guests, including **Jason P. Meeks, Acting Ambassador of the U.S. Embassy in Nepal**; **Erica Alon Alexander, Cultural Affairs Officer**; and **Dipak Raj Joshi, CEO of the Nepal Tourism Board**, joined **45 exchange alumni** for the walk.

Participants visited five significant heritage sites, Bhag Bhairab Temple, Joshi Nani, Chilancho Bihar, Dev Phokhari, and Uma Maheshwari Temple and experienced traditional performances and authentic Newari cuisine prepared by local entrepreneurs. The event beautifully highlighted Kirtipur's vibrant culture and its growing spirit of local enterprise.

In his remarks, Acting Ambassador Meeks emphasized the vital role of exchange alumni in strengthening Nepal-U.S. relations. CEO Joshi commended the initiative for its contribution to showcasing Nepal's cultural richness, while Mayor Krishna Man Dangol shared his vision of transforming Kirtipur into an open-air museum that preserves heritage and fosters sustainable tourism.



Group Photo with U.S. Embassy & Exchange Alumni



Cultural Muscial Performance

Under the leadership of Pravina Amatya, President of NUSAN, the Heritage Walk stood out as a meaningful initiative that united alumni, local communities, and institutional partners in celebrating Nepal's heritage. In her closing remarks, Amatya expressed gratitude to all participants and partners, emphasizing that the walk was more than a journey through history it was a collective commitment to preserving Nepal's cultural legacy for future generations.



Nepali Cultural Performance - Lakhey Dance

2. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Signed with New Business Age



NUSAN and New Business Age Team

The Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with New Business Age Pvt. Ltd. to collaborate on a podcast series to be recorded at the New Business Age studio. The series will feature episodes focusing on diverse themes such as business, entrepreneurship, cultural heritage, and artificial intelligence (AI).

This collaboration provides a dynamic platform for U.S. Government Exchange Alumni to share their insights, experiences, and expertise with a broader audience, fostering meaningful dialogue on innovation, culture, and leadership in Nepal.

3. NUSAN Podcast Series

On August 13, 2025, NUSAN released the latest episode of the NUSAN Podcast Series, featuring IVLP Alumnus **Amit Agrawal (IVLP), Co-Founder and Director of Khalti, as the guest speaker**. The episode was moderated by IVLP Alumna **Kshitu Risal (IVLP), Communication Coach**.

The discussion delved into Mr. Agrawal's experiences during his exchange program, the recent merger of Khalti and IME Pay, and the evolving landscape of entrepreneurship and innovation opportunities for youth in Nepal. The episode offered valuable insights for aspiring entrepreneurs and professionals alike.

Link to watch the Full Episode: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_TV_YCJ4cq4



4. Celebrating NUSAN's Anniversary

On 11th July, the Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN) **celebrated its 7th anniversary**, marking seven years of fostering collaboration and connection among U.S. Government Exchange Alumni.

As part of the anniversary celebrations, NUSAN organized a blood donation program on 12th July at Basantapur Durbar Square in collaboration with Rotary & Lions Club. The program not only focused on the life-saving act of blood donation but also emphasized environmental stewardship. With the support of Green Valley & Green Nepal, NUSAN distributed tree saplings to participants, symbolizing growth, sustainability, and collective responsibility for a greener future.

Similarly, on 11th July, NUSAN executive members, alumni came together for a team celebration, reflecting the organization's strong sense of unity, shared purpose, and dedication to community impact.

As a dynamic networking organization, NUSAN continues to believe that small actions create lasting change. Through initiatives like these, NUSAN reaffirms its commitment to service, environmental awareness, and strengthening the bonds that unite alumni and communities across Nepal.



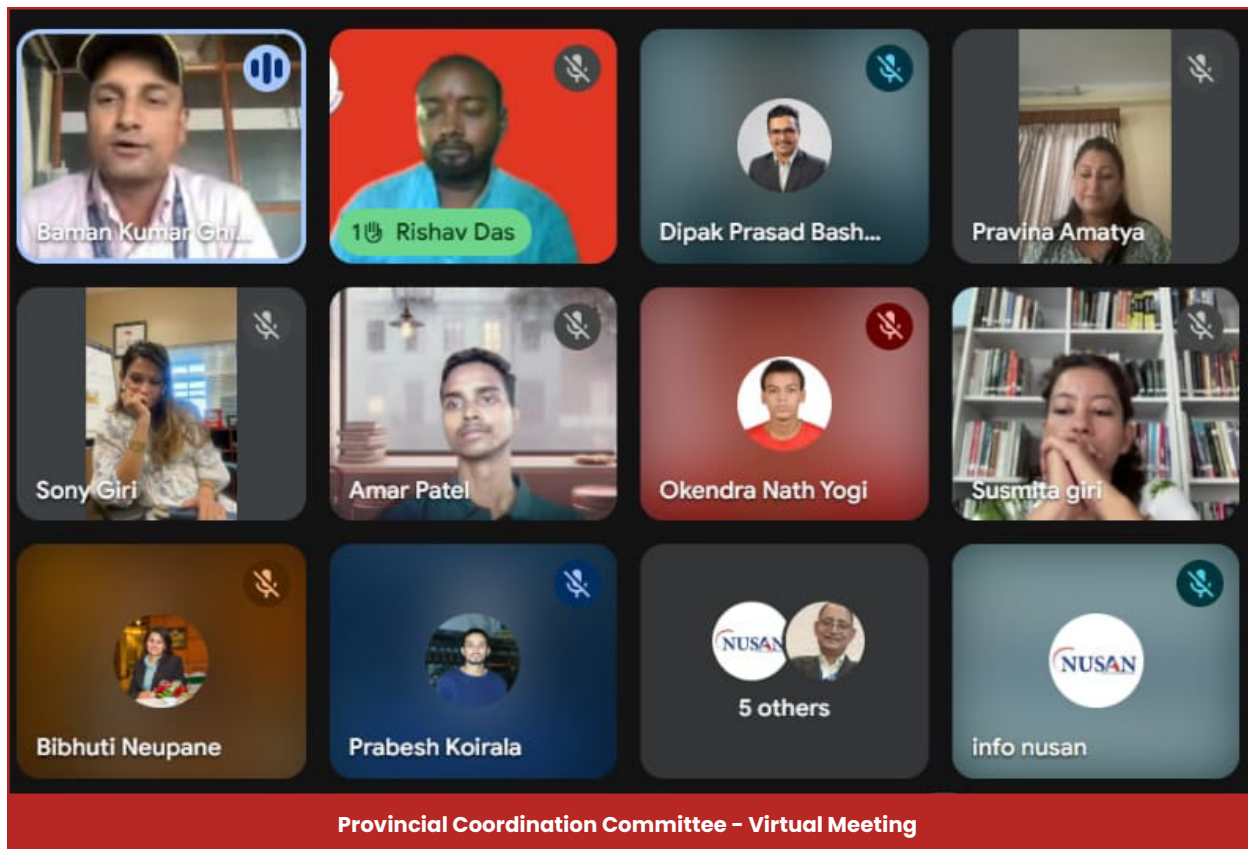
5. Onboarding Meeting with Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC)

Recognizing that many exchange alumni reside across different provinces of Nepal, the Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN) has established the Provincial Coordination Committee (PCC) to strengthen communication, collaboration, and networking among alumni in the seven provinces of Nepal. The PCC serves as a vital platform to bridge geographical gaps and ensure greater engagement across all regions.

During this quarter, Pravina Amatya, President of NUSAN, and Baman Kumar Ghimire, Vice President, conducted a virtual orientation session with PCC members representing all seven provinces of Nepal. They guided new PCC members through NUSAN's objectives, structure, and upcoming initiatives, fostering a strong foundation for effective provincial-level coordination.

This session marked an important step in realizing NUSAN's vision of creating ad-hoc committees at the provincial level, ensuring that alumni engagement and activities remain active in the **seven provinces** of Nepal.

Through these efforts, NUSAN continues to reinforce its commitment to connectivity and active alumni participation, enabling every member, regardless of location to contribute meaningfully to the network.



6. Advisory Meeting for U.S. Graduate Onboarding

The Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN) has commenced the onboarding process for U.S. graduate members into the NUSAN network after the amendment of the NUSAN constitution. This development represents a significant milestone for the NUSAN Executive Board.

During the recent advisory meeting, the **advisors provided strategic guidance** to the NUSAN team on establishing a platform designed to serve both exchange alumni and U.S. graduates. In line with these deliberations, NUSAN will prepare a comprehensive set of guidelines, in close coordination with the Executive Committee members, to facilitate and support the onboarding process effectively. With these preparations in place, NUSAN is now fully set to onboard U.S. graduate members into the network.

7. Candlelight Vigil by NUSAN in Memory of Gen-Z Martyrs

The Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN) organized a **candlelight vigil** to honor and remember the youth who lost their lives during the **Gen-Z movement**. More than 30 NUSAN members, including the Executive Committee, gathered at Maitighar Mandala, Kathmandu, to light candles and offer prayers for the departed souls.

The gathering not only served as a solemn act of remembrance but also demonstrated the presence, unity, and collective capability of NUSAN alumni, showing that together they can contribute meaningfully to society. Through this initiative, NUSAN reaffirmed its commitment to supporting alumni.



Exchnage Alumni Lighting the Candle

Thank you for being a valued member of the NUSAN community. We look forward to connecting with you in the upcoming quarter.

Stay connected with us through our social media channels and visit our website for the latest updates and initiatives.

Warm regards,
Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network (NUSAN)

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