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NEPAL INFRASTRUCTURE SUMMIT 2024

Driving Sustainable Development through Strategic Investment

12 - 13 September 2024

The Soaltee Kathmandu



ABOUT CNI

The Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI) serves as the apex body of Nepal's private sector, representing mainly large and medium-scale industrial and service sector businesses across the country. Established in 2002, its mission is to revitalize and enhance Nepal's industrial and service sectors, making them resilient and globally competitive. CNI actively advocates for an investment-friendly climate in the country, aiming for sustainable economic growth.

Over the years, CNI has been a vocal advocate on several critical fronts such as addressing persistent economic challenges, facilitating private sector engagement in development initiatives, advocating for financial sector reforms, strengthening the private sector's capabilities, promoting industrialization based on trade competitiveness, and so on. CNI collaborates closely with the government, providing evidence-based insights and forward-looking recommendations. CNI contributes to Nepal's shared national aspiration for development and prosperity by engaging with national and international stakeholders.

INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS

Nepal's infrastructure needs are vast and varied, encompassing improvements in electricity (power projects, transmission lines, and distribution networks), roads, airways/airports, ICT, settlements (urban development), industrial infrastructures, logistic infrastructures, water & sanitation, among others.

These improvements are crucial for reducing transaction costs, facilitating mobility, and enhancing private sector productivity. A study by CNI in 2019 has identified that Nepal needs to make an annual investment of USD 16 to 20 billion from 2019 to 2030 in four major infrastructure sectors (energy, transport, water & sanitation, and urban development) to meet the SDG goal. Economists suggest that the government should spend 8-12% of GDP on public infrastructure to bridge the infrastructure gap. Additionally, private-sector solutions are being explored for sustainable infrastructure development.



ELECTRICITY



ROADWAYS



AIRWAYS



URBAN DEVELOPMENT



INDUSTRIAL
INFRASTRUCTURE



WATER & SANITATION

NEPAL INFRASTRUCTURE SUMMIT

Nepal Infrastructure Summit (NIS) is a flagship event in Nepal being organized by the Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI) along with the Government of Nepal and Youth Community for Nepalese Contractors (YCNC) since 2014.

Nepal stands at a pivotal juncture in its journey towards economic prosperity, sustainability, and environmental responsibility. As the nation endeavors to realize its developmental aspirations, the role of infrastructure investment emerges as a linchpin for progress.

The Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI) has been biennially hosting the flagship event in the country 'Nepal Infrastructure Summit (NIS)' since 2014. CNI has successfully organized four editions of this summit thus far in the years 2014, 2017, 2019, and 2022. These summits have served as a platform for dialogue and collaboration among government bodies, private sectors, and international stakeholders, focusing on the nation's infrastructure development.

PAST SUMMITS

Nepal Infrastructure Summits organized by the Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI) have focused on various themes to address the evolving infrastructure needs of Nepal. Each summit has built upon the previous ones, aiming to attract investment, promote public-private partnerships, and align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).





Total sessions: 9

Speakers: 17 Int'l, 60 Nat'l

Participants: 800+

NIS 2014 ▲

'Accelerating Investment in Infrastructure'

Key focus areas of the first edition of the NIS were outlook, opportunities, and investment climate in Nepal, Sustainable Infrastructure Development, Green Infrastructure, Financing Mechanisms, Policy Initiatives, and Investment decisions in urban infrastructure.

NIS 2017 ▼

'Private Sector as an Indispensable Partner'

The key focus areas of the second NIS were PPP, the private sector as an indispensable partner, Global and Regional successful PPP Models, and Enablers for accelerating Investment.

Total sessions: 8

Speakers: 14 Int'l, 60 Nat'l

Participants: 1000+





Total sessions: 7 Speakers: 23 Int'l, 42 Nat'l Participants: 1700+

NIS 2019 ▲

'Resilient Infrastructure for Sustainable Development'

The third edition of NIS highlighted the need for infrastructure to be constructed resiliently, considering Nepal's vulnerability to climate change and geophysical disasters. It also introduced national-level interactions with Chief Ministers from all seven provinces of Nepal. The key focus areas of NIS 2019 were Infrastructure Policies & Financing, Opportunities in the Province, PPP for prosperity, etc.

NIS 2022 ▼

'Infrastructure for Growth'

With the theme of , the fourth NIS particularly highlighted the need for green, climate-resilient infrastructure projects, digital infrastructure, and policy reforms. The key focus areas of the last NIS were Governance Framework, Financing, Digital Infrastructure, and Green Infrastructure, among others.

Total sessions: 11 Speakers: 21 Int'l, 55 Nat'l Participants: 1200+





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The 'Nepal Infrastructure Summit 2024', slated to convene on 12-13 September 2024, will serve as a beacon for stakeholders to chart a course towards a robust and sustainable infrastructure landscape.

CONTEXTUAL OVERVIEW

Nepal's infrastructure sector is critical for economic growth and social development. However, it faces numerous challenges, including inadequate funding, outdated regulations, and limited private-sector engagement. Despite these hurdles, Nepal has shown resilience and determination in pursuing infrastructure development initiatives.

OBJECTIVES

The fifth Nepal Infrastructure Summit 2024 aims to bring together key stakeholders to explore the critical role of infrastructure investment in Nepal's developmental aspirations. The summit will serve as a platform for knowledge sharing, networking, and collaboration among stakeholders committed to advancing infrastructure development in Nepal. It aims to foster dialogue, identify actionable insights, and catalyze partnerships for the sustainable growth of the nation's infrastructure sector. Through comprehensive discussions and deliberations, the summit aims to achieve the following objectives:

Explore Developmental Aspirations: Investigate how investment in infrastructure can contribute to Nepal's goals of economic growth, prosperity, sustainability, and environmental responsibility.

Understand Stakeholder Roles: Examine the roles of various stakeholders including the government, private sector, development partners, civil society, banking system, and the public in advancing infrastructure development. This includes assessing the efficacy of monetary and fiscal policies, regulatory reforms, and the proactive engagement of all stakeholders.

Delve into Specific Infrastructure Issues: Conduct in-depth discussions on specific areas and sectors of infrastructure development in Nepal to identify challenges, opportunities, and best practices for sustainable growth.

POTENTIAL ATTENDEES

Investors, Consulting Firms and consultants, Builders, Thought Leaders, Government Agencies, Diplomats, Development Agencies, Academicians, Legislators, Non-State Actors, and Media among others.

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

- Nepal's largest & most comprehensive event in the infrastructure domain organized by the private sector with the support of the Government of Nepal.
- Learn global best practices partnership strategies and policy updates through interactive sessions, round table discussions & infrastructure project showcasing
- Identify new strategies and techniques for challenges and opportunities facing the sector
- Network with relevant stakeholders, policymakers, business leaders, and market experts for new partnerships

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AT GLANCE

The upcoming 5th edition of the Nepal Infrastructure Summit (NIS) in September 2024 will likely continue to address these critical areas and support Nepal's journey towards becoming a middle-income economy by 2030. The proposed date for the 5th NIS is 12-13 September 2024 at The Soaltee, Kathmandu.

DAY 1: PLENARY SESSIONS

SESSIONS	THEMES
Plenary 1	Sustainability
Plenary 2	Fiscal, Monetary, and Regulatory Policies
Plenary 3	Private Sector Engagement
Plenary 4	Regional Infrastructure and Integration
Inaugural / Opening Plenary	Infrastructure Development 50 Years of Asian Infrastructure Development

DAY 2: DEEP DIVE SESSIONS (PARALLEL SESSIONS)

SESSIONS	THEMES
Parallel session 1	Energy & Water Resources
Parallel session 2	Urban Development & Affordable Housing
Parallel session 3	Construction Industry Perspective
Parallel session 4	Transport & Logistics Infrastructure
Parallel session 5	Waste Management
Parallel session 6	Creating Opportunities for Women in Infrastructure Space
Parallel session 7	Role of Provincial and Local Government
Parallel session 8	Digital, ICT, and Technology Integration

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