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Educational Background & Trainings

- (i) Masters of Science in Biology, University of Missouri-Saint Louis, MO, USA, 2001-2003
- (ii) Bachelors of Science in Forestry (Forest Biological Sciences) from University of Philippines-Los Banos, Philippines 1994-1998.
- (iii) International Diploma in Botanic Garden Management, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, London, UK, 2002
- (iv) Graduate Certificate in Conservation Biology, International Center for Tropical Ecology, University of Missouri-Saint Louis, MO, USA 2003
- (v) The Regional Trainer's Training (ToT) programme on "participatory Monitoring and Evaluation (PM & E), ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2006
- (vi) Certificate in High Performance Leadership organized by Royal Civil Service Commission of Bhutan and the Royal Institute of Management, Bhutan in collaboration with Humber College, Toronto, Canada, 2007

Work Experiences

- i) Minister-Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Royal Government of Bhutan - 27 July 2013
- ii) Team Leader, Local Fund Agent-United Nations Office of Project Services. 2008-2013
- iii) Senior Planning and Monitoring Officer, Planning and Policy Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Royal Government of Bhutan 2005- 2007.
- iv) Project Manager for the National Biodiversity Center, Ministry of Agriculture, 1999-2004
- v) Trainee officer, Renewable Natural Resources Centre, Council for RNR Research of Bhutan, 1998

Major Policy, Planning and Evaluation experiences:

- (i) Project development and evaluation of various projects under Department of Forests, National Biodiversity Centre, Council for RNR Research of Bhutan, 2005-2007
- (ii) Mid term review of 9th Five Year Plan of Ministry of Agriculture, 2005
- (iii) Formulation of 10th Five Year Plan for Ministry of Agriculture, 2007
- (iv) Member of Joint Technical Working group for Government of India assisted Agriculture projects, 2006
- (v) Member of project Steering Committee for AMEPP, MAP II, Royal Botanical Garden project, Wang Watershed Management Project, 2005-2007
- (vi) Focal person for ICIMOD and the various projects (Regional Rangeland project, Honey Bee project, Medicinal Plants and Herbs: Developing Sustainable Supply Chain and Enhancing Rural Livelihood in Eastern Himalayas project, Access and benefit sharing project, Transboundary Biodiversity project), 2005-2007
- (vii) Focal person for WWF and the projects (Tiger Conservation project, snow Leopard Conservation Project, Biological Corridor project including LINKPA, Elephant project, Non-wood forest product project, Dochula Botanical Park project), 2005-2007
- (viii) Focal person for WWF, UNDP, IFAD, FAO, ICIMOD SNV, Austria coordination Bureau, Mountain partnership, SAARC from Ministry of Agriculture, 2005-2007

International Meetings/Seminar attended abroad

- i) Biodiversity Action Plan Meeting for South Asian Countries, Rajanderpur, Dhaka, Bangladesh, February 1999 (as a Resource Person from Bhutan)
- ii) The First World Botanic Garden Congress, North Carolina Arboretum, Asheville, NC, USA, June 2000
- iii) 4th South Asian Network for Plant Genetic Resources. Pusa Campus, New Delhi, India, October 2000
- iv) 48th and 49th Systematics symposium at Missouri Botanical Garden, Saint Louis, MO, USA, October 2001 & 2002
- v) Regional Cooperation on Conservation of Biodiversity hotspots of the Indian Subcontinent and taxonomic database for conservation, organized by Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment, University of agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, and University of Massachusetts, Boston, USA, Bangalore, India, August 30- September 1, 2004.

- vi) The Regional Workshop on Securing Livelihoods in Uplands and Mountains of the Hindu Kush-Himalayas – Phase-II, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal, 14-15 November 2005
- vii) International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)'s 35th Board meeting in Shillong, Meghalaya, India, 17-19 November 2005.
- viii) International Workshop on sharing and Accessing Biodiversity data on Internet, Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) and National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI), Lucknow, UP, India, 25-27 January 2006
- ix) As an Alternate Delegate from Bhutan to International Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (ICARRD), Porto Alegre, Brazil, 7-10 March 2006.
- x) Regional workshop on Policy Priorities for Sustainable Mountain Development, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal, 16-18 September, 2006.
- xi) Regional Workshop on Identification and Conservation of Important Plant Areas for Medicinal Plants in the Himalayas, Ethnobotanical Society of Nepal & Plantlife International, UK (supported by Rufford Foundation), Kathmandu, Nepal, 19-22 September, 2006.
- xii) International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)'s 37th Board meeting in Swat, Pakistan, 2-9 November 2006.
- xiii) As an Alternate Governor from Bhutan for 30th Annual IFAD Governing Council Meeting, Rome, Italy, 14-15 February 2007.
- xiv) Regional workshop on pro-poor agricultural technologies choices, coalition of the rural poor, and strategic thrusts in Asia and Pacific, IFAD/National Agricultural Cooperative Federation/Rural Development Administration's joint workshop, Seoul, South Korea, March, 13-16, 2007.
- xv) Inception workshop for the CFC-FAO-ICIMOD project on "Medicinal Plants and Herbs: Developing Sustainable Supply Chain and Enhancing Rural Livelihood in Eastern Himalayas", Kathmandu, Nepal, 25-27 April, 2007.
- xvi) Policymakers forum: Economic policy and financial innovation for investment in forest environmental services, United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, 28-29 May, 2007

Scholarships & Funding received

- (i) European Union scholarship for undergraduate course in Philippines (1994-1998)
- (ii) DANIDA scholarship for graduate studies in University of Missouri-Saint Louis, MO (2001-2003)

- (iii) Mellon Foundation fund through Missouri Botanical Garden to undertake Diploma course in Botanic garden management course in Kew (2002)
- (iv) Bhutan Trust Fund research fund for field work in Bhutan (2001)
- (v) International Center for Tropical Ecology fieldwork scholarship in China and Bhutan (2002) and the internship scholarship to Costa Rica (2003)

Publications

- (i) Terminal evaluation of the Bhutan recovery and reconstruction project, UNDP-Bhutan
- (ii) Terminal evaluation of Thrumshingla National Park and Biological Corridors-GEF & UNDP –Bhutan
- (iii) Project Evaluation of WWF funded project for Wangchuck Centennial Park
- (iv) Review of Medium Sized Project (MSP) on Building Capacity and Mainstreaming Sustainable Land Management in Bhutan
- (v) Baseline survey and impact analysis of School Agriculture Program-Ministry of Agriculture
- (vi) Studies on traditional knowledge on mitigation of Glacial Lake Outburst Flood, UNDP – Bhutan
- (vii) A White Paper to Guide the Writing of the National Medium Term Priority Framework for FAO and the Royal Government of Bhutan, FAO
- (viii) Vulnerability and Analysis Mapping of Food insecurity: Assessment of mainstreaming Food Security perspectives in local level planning and policy process in Bhutan, World Food Program
- (ix) Knowledge Development on Wang Watershed Process and Practices for Ecosystem Services, Department of Energy, Ministry of Economic Affairs
- (x) Studies on Rangeland Management of Bhutan under Sustainable Land Management Project. National Soil Services Centre, Ministry of Agriculture
- (xi) The developing National Plantation strategy for Bhutan, Social Forestry Division, Department of Forests, Ministry of Agriculture
- (xii) 4th National Report to CBD, National Environment Commission
- (xiii) Gender studies in Soe Yaksa and Nubri Rangeland, International Center for Integrated Mountain Development and Ministry of Agriculture

- (xiv) Red Data Book for flowering Plants of Bhutan, WWF-Bhutan Program
- (xv) Review and assessment of current policies and legal provisions on Medicinal Plants and Non Timber Forest Products in Bhutan, International Center for Integrated Mountain Development and Ministry of Agriculture
- (xvi) Development of National Land Policy, National Land Commission
- (xvii) Livelihoods survey and Analysis Study, National Soil Survey Centre, Ministry of Agriculture
- (xviii) Assessment of Climate Change Vulnerabilities in Kangpara Gewog, Trashigang, RSPN
- (xix) Study on the Private Investment in Agriculture of Bhutan, FAO-RGoB