

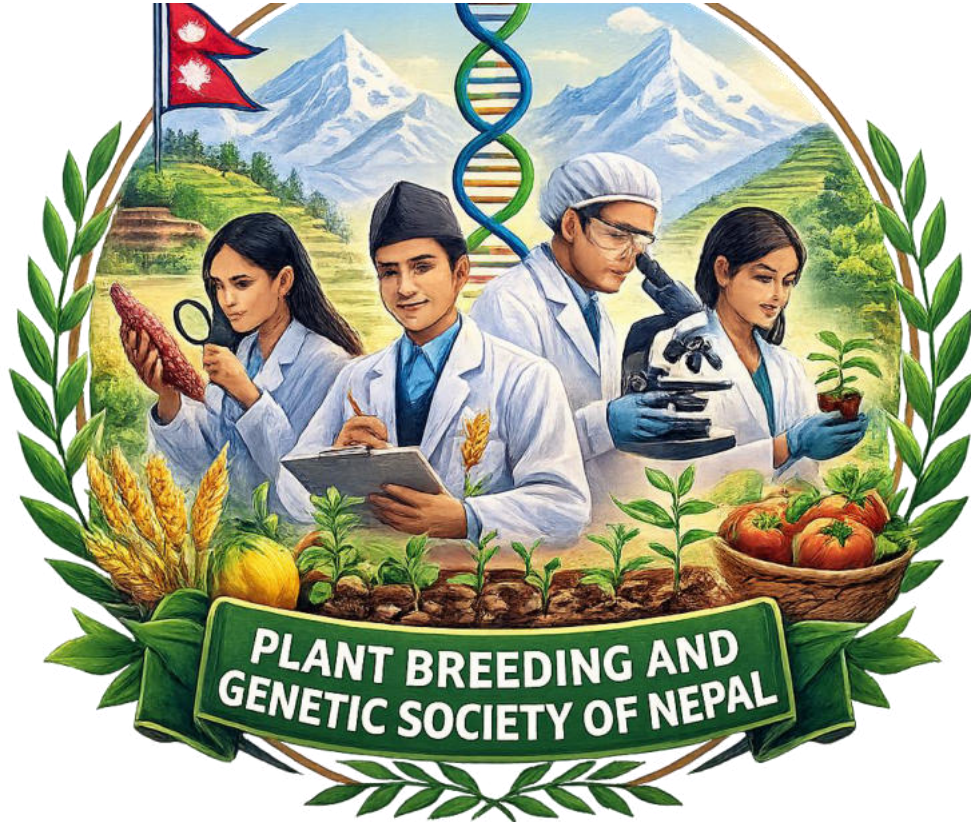


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President's remarks

Members are the true strength and driving force of the Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal (PBaGSoN). Their knowledge, dedication, and collective efforts continue to shape the growth and impact of our society. With the objective of strengthening mutual understanding, enhancing communication, and recognizing the valuable contributions of our members, this Member Profile publication has been prepared and released. To facilitate better interaction among members and to ensure easy access to essential information, two types of members' information have been published:

- A. General Information of Members, and
- B. Members' Profiles.

The general information of PBaGSoN members has already been made available through the Society's official website, https://plantbreeding.org.np/view.html?type=pdf&file=public/media/2025_08/b95f3dcd2b98e5f8538db31332bb8a54.pdf and shared via email. Likewise, this publication presents the Members' Profiles of Life, Honorary, and Institutional Members of the Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal (PBaGSoN) covering the period from 25 August 2019 to 15 August 2025. All life members did not share their profile and only the profile of **31 life members** are included. These profiles are highly useful for getting to know each other professionally, nominating members for various functions, awards, and scholarships, requesting for considering members in postal, and for different consultancy and collaborative works. In this publication, we have also included brief information on some of Nepal's outstanding veteran breeders, our respected "Gurus," in recognition of their lifelong contributions to plant breeding and genetics. In addition, various committees and team members have been incorporated for completeness and transparency.

The success of this publication is the result of the cooperation and support of our respected members. I sincerely appreciate the contribution of all members who provided their valuable information and extend my heartfelt thanks to the team involved in compiling and publishing this profile. I firmly believe that this initiative will further strengthen professional networking, collaboration, and unity within our society. Let us continue working together for the advancement of plant breeding and genetic sciences in Nepal.

With best wishes,

Dr Bal Krishna Joshi
President

Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal (PBaGSoN), 2025

For President's working paper: <https://plantbreeding.org.np/page/presidents-working-paper.html>

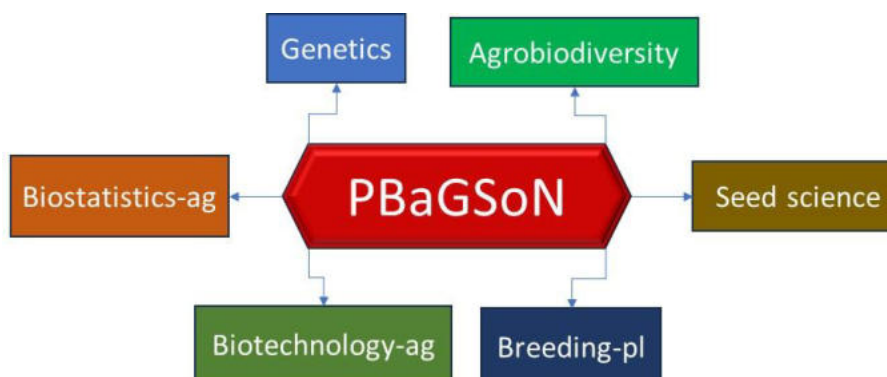
Introduction

Since its establishment, the Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal (PBaGSoN) has brought together professionals, institutions, and well-wishers dedicated to advancing the science and practice of genetics, plant breeding, seed science, biotechnology-ag, biostatistics-ag and agrobiodiversity in Nepal. Membership in the Society is not only a recognition of commitment to this field, but also a means of fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, and professional development among peers. This document presents the profile of the Society's Life (81), Honorary (9), Institutional Members (2) from 25 August 2019 to 15 August 2025, covering the period from PBaGSoN's inception. It serves as a consolidated reference to acknowledge the individuals and organizations who have contributed to the Society's growth and mission during this time. In addition to member listings, this compilation also includes information on various committees, contact and focal persons, contributors, and awardees associated with the Society.

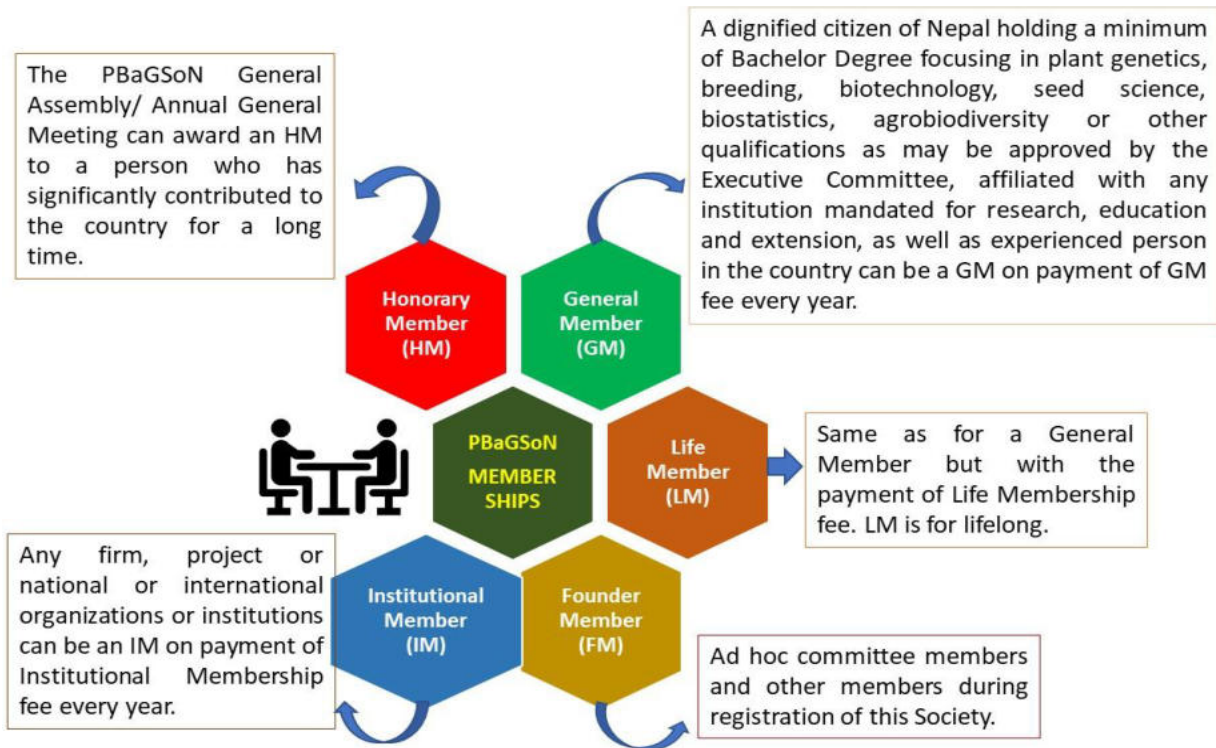
About the Society

Genetics and breeding stand as the forefront sciences in agriculture and forestry; however, their advancement in Nepal is constrained by limited experts who are dispersed across the country and abroad. The inception of a dedicated society began with the First Plant Breeder Meet (Plant Breeding Seminar) held on 17 January 1999, in Lumle, Kaski, which raised awareness among breeders for the need to form a professional society. Subsequently, the Second Plant Breeders Meet, convened on 28 March 2000, in Lumle, initiated the formation of the Plant Breeding Society. An ad hoc committee, chaired by Dr. Madhusudan Prasad Upadhyay, was established to formalize a professional organization serving as a common platform for breeders in 2058 BS. Later, during the Plant Breeders' Seminar and Plant Breeders' Meet on 2074 BS/09/12 in Khumaltar, a seven-member founding committee, led by Bimal Kumar Baniya was formed. The Constitution (Bidhan) was drafted in 2058 BS, revised in 2062 BS (the name of society was Plant Breeding Society of Nepal) and finalized in 2074 BS. This committee officially registered the Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal (PBaGSoN) at the District Administration Office, Lalitpur, on 2076 BS/04/30, with registration number 5688. PBaGSoN operates as a non-governmental, non-political, and non-profit organization. जि.प्र.का.द.न. ५६८८; स.क.प.आ.न. ५०५३२



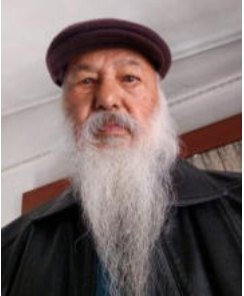
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Membership



Outstanding Plant Breeders in Nepal

	
<p>Netra Bahadur Basnyat First Plant Breeder in Nepal (by practice, introduction), 1951</p>	<p>Gopal R. Rajbhandary First Professional Plant Breeder in Nepal, 1964</p>
	<p>Dr Bal Bahadur Shahi The Oldest Plant Breeder, 2024 First rice breeder (crossing), 1968</p>

नेत्र बहादुर बस्न्यात

जन्म: १९८४ चैत्र ९ बुधवार

मृत्यु: २०५६ कार्तिक २०

जन्मस्थान/ ठेगाना: २०/२६१ ज्ञानेश्वर, काठमाडौं

शिक्षा: कृषि विज्ञानमा स्नातकोत्तर

श्रीमती: भिम कुमारी बस्न्यात

परिवार संख्या: २ छोरा, १ छोरी

मुख्य सेवा पदहरू

- Chief of Agronomy Division, Department of Agriculture
- First Director General of Department of Agriculture and Education
- First Director General of the Department of Agriculture
- Dean of IAAS, Rampur and Registrar, TU

Naming based on his contribution in Nepal

- First plant breeder (by practice, introduction) in Nepal
- Father of agronomy in Nepal
- Father of rice improvement in Nepal
- Father of Nepal's green revolution
- Pioneer of crop research in Nepal

योगदान

- वि.सं. २००८ मा नेत्र बहादुर बस्न्यात नेपालका पहिलो बाली प्रजनक (अभ्यास मार्फत) बनेका व्यक्ति हुन्। उहाँले नेपालमा वैज्ञानिक ढंगले बाली सुधार कार्यक्रमको थालनी गर्नुभयो
- २००८ सालमा जापान, र भारत वाट धानको बढी फल्ने जातहरू नेपालमा ल्याएर परिक्षण गरि २०१५ सालमा जातीय सिफारिस गरेको
- २००८ सालमा धानका जातहरू संकलन गरि परिक्षण तथा छनौट शुरु गरेको
- पाकिस्तान वाट गहुँको विकासे जात ल्याएर तत्कालको उत्पादकत्व १००-२०० केजी प्रति हे. वाट १००० केजी प्रति हे. गराउन सफल भएको
- धान र गहुँको थुप्रै जातहरू विदेश वाट ल्याएको र केहि जातहरू हाल सम्म पनि प्रख्यत रहेको जस्तै ताइचिन धान, लेर्मा रोहु गहुँ
- गहुँको जात लर्मा-५२ प्रथम पटक उन्मोचन गरेको
- उहाँको योगदानले नेपालमा खाद्य सुरक्षा साथै किसानको जीवनस्तर सुधार, र कृषि अनुसन्धानको जग निर्माणमा अतुलनीय योगदान पुर्याएको
- उहाँले बाहिर वाट ल्याइएको CH-45 जातलाई २०१५ सालमा नेपालमा सिफारिस, जुन नेपालमा सरकारी रूपमा सिफारिस गरिएको पहिलो धान जात हो
- घाँसे बालीको जातहरू संकलन गरि अनुसन्धान सुरु गरेको र नेत्र जई घाँसेको जात २०६१ सालमा दर्ता गरेको
- उहाँको कार्यले कलात्मक बाली चयन प्रणालीलाई वैज्ञानिक प्रणालीमा रूपान्तरण गरेको
- नेपालमा वैज्ञानिक बाली अनुसन्धान सुरु गर्ने प्रथम व्यक्तिका रूपमा उहाँको नाम इतिहासमा त्यसै कारण, उहाँको नामको हुलाक टिकट बनाउन फिलाटेलिक तथा हुलाक टिकट व्यवस्थापन कार्यालय, हुलाक सेवा विभागमा अनुरोध गरिएको छ।

Life Members' Profile

1. Anisha Bohora

PBaGSoN-60 30-Nov-2024

2. Ankur Poudel

PBaGSoN-19 27-Dec-2022

3. Anoj Adhikari

PBaGSoN-76 7-Jan-2025

4. Asmita Mahato

PBaGSoN-74 7-Jan-2025

5. Bal Krishna Joshi

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-07/ 2019

**Birth/ childhood place:** Madhyanepal-5, Lamjung, Nepal**Date of birth (BS):** 2024-03-12**Citizenship/Number:** Nepali/ 6200/241**Family:** Spouse: Ganga Shrestha, Son: Benoj Kanchan Joshi, Daughter: Benjika Joshi**Parent's name:** Setu Lal Joshi and Gauri Maya Achaju**Affiliation:** National Agriculture Genetic Resources Center (Genebank), NARC, PO Box 3055, Kathmandu**Job title:** Senior Scientist**Previous affiliation:** 1. USC Canada-Nepal/ Coordinator, 2. Agriculture Botany Division-NARC/ Scientist, 3. Biotechnology Unit-NARC/ Scientist**Current address:** Harisiddhi, Lalitpur-29, Nepal**Contact:** 986 302 0222**Email:** joshibalak@yahoo.com;joshi064@gmail.com**Education:** 1. PhD (Genetics and Plant Breeding) from the University of Tsukuba, Japan; 2. MSc from NCSU, USA and IAAS, Nepal**Areas of Expertise:** Genetics and Plant Breeding, Agrobiodiversity, Biotechnology, Statistics, Conservation Science, Geographical information system, Climate smart plant breeding**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/bkjoshi>**ResearchGate:** https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Bal_Joshi**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=65DOKzMAAAJ&hl=en>**ORCID:** <http://orcid.org/0000-0002-7848-5824>

Experiences, contributions and awards: Dr Joshi is working on agrobiodiversity conservation and utilization, and plant breeding since last 25 years and have developed and identified 101 good practices and approaches along with varietal development. Some of the specific working areas of Dr Joshi are banking AGRs, genetic enhancement of landraces, use of biotechnology, geographical information system, climate analog tool, participatory and evolutionary plant breeding, computer aided statistical training, policy formulation, etc. With the initiation of Dr. Joshi, National Genebank and Indigenous Agriculture Day, National Agrobiodiversity Year/Day/Week, and National AGRs Day have been started to celebrate. He was instrumental in revising policies for the registration of farmer's varieties, and initiated the registration of over 15 crop landraces, and developed landrace enhancement method. His efforts contributed to the revision of agrobiodiversity policies, the development of IMISAP, and drafting of the Agrobiodiversity Bill. Dr. Joshi initiated Nepal's first heterosis study in hybrid rice breeding, published the first sponge gourd descriptors globally, and established Nepal's first community seed bank. Additionally, he designed the Genetic Resources Management Complex and National Gene Bank in 2007.

He has published more than 600 articles and edited 25 books and proceedings. He had served as an Editor-in-Chief for two journals and had received 12 different awards. Working motto of Dr Joshi is to make site specific agricultural genetic resources competent and dynamic.

6. Bal Kumari Oliya

ID/Year: PBaGSoN- 48/2024

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Experiences, contributions and awards: Dr Oliya has more than seven years of Experience in Plant biotechnology, including plant tissue culture, molecular disease diagnosis (PCR, ELISA), genetic profiling, DNA fingerprinting, phytochemical characterization, and therapeutic product development. Dr Oliya Worked as Post-doctoral Research fellow in Central Department of Botany, Tribhuvan University, Nepal. She played a pivotal role in establishing and leading biotechnology laboratories for key government institutions in Nepal, including the Seed Quality Control Centre, the Warm Temperate Horticulture Centre, the Central Agriculture Laboratory, and the Floriculture Development Centre. In these roles, she has been instrumental in developing national standards, protocols, and training programs for tissue culture, DNA fingerprinting for seed quality control, and the detection of devastating crop diseases like Citrus Greening, Citrus Tristeza Virus, and Potato viruses. Dr Oliya received prestigious Awards- Science and Technology Youth Award (2024) from the Nepal Academy of Science and Technology and the Outstanding Research Award (2025) from the Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal.

She was also awarded prestigious research grants—from the International Foundation for Science (IFS) in 2020 and a Young Scientist grant from the Nepal Academy of Science and Technology in 2022. She has published her impactful research in several internationally recognized, high-impact peer-reviewed journals. Dr Oliya is the Founder and CEO of Himalayan Plants Solution Pvt. Ltd, a legally established private biotechnology company in Nepal. The company focuses on the quality production of high-value fruits, vegetables, ornamental, and medicinal plants (using tissue culture, micro-grafting and more advanced technology); DNA fingerprinting; plant disease detection; and value-added product development.

7. Bhanu Bhakta Pokharel

PBaGSoN-81

9 Aug 2025

8. Bharat Raj Adhikari

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- Sample Survey Design and analyses at various levels – national, regional, etc. – During nearly 20 year involvement with various NGO's and INGO's viz. New ERA, CIMMYT/Nepal, and various divisions of UNDP complex, Kathmandu.
- Teaching Biostatistics to graduate and undergraduate students of varied disciplines in applied biology viz. agriculture, forestry, environmental sciences, biotechnology, pharmacy, etc. in various universities viz. TU, KU, PU, AFU, and SMU.
- Emphasis on use of free/open-source software. Have been using and promoting use of R-Statistics in almost all the teaching and training assignments.

9. Bihani Thapa

PBaGSoN-17

26-Dec-2022

10. Bimal Kumar Baniya

PBaGSoN-01

25-Aug-2019

11. Bishnu Prasad Kandel

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-35/2024



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Citizenship/Number: 501015/32839

Parent's name: Bhimlal/Ganga Devi Kandel

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Job title: Asst. Professor

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Experiences, contributions and awards:

- Around five years of teaching experience
 - Supervised approximately 40 undergraduate students in their research projects
 - Recipient of:
 - UGC Faculty Research Grant
 - NAST Young Scientist Award
 - Small Research Grant from the Directorate of Research, Rector's Office
-

12. Biswash Raj Bastola

PBaGSoN-47

11-Feb-2024

13. Deepa Singh Shrestha

PBaGSoN-69

3-Jan-2024

14. Deepak Pandey

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Job title: Director

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Google Scholar:

Experiences, contributions, and awards:

Since last year Mr Deepak Pandey is in a role of director at the Directorate of Agricultural Research (DoAR), Sudurpashchim, Dipayal, Doti. Previously, he was working as a wheat breeder for 11 years at the National Wheat Research Program (NWRP), NARC, Bhairahawa, Nepal. During that period, he had involved in the development and release process of Danfe, Tilottma, Banganga, Sworgadwari, BL4341, Zinc Gahun-1, Zinc Gahun-2 and Borlaug 2020 varieties. He also worked at Seed Quality Control Centre for 8 years and involved in the seed quality testing, issuance of certificates to seed entrepreneurs and GMO detection in the imported seeds of maize and soybean. He had also in the in-situ conservation project at Jumla ecosite. He involved in the documentation of local germplasm of rice, barley, buckwheat, finger millet and cucumber. In recent days he has involved in the guidance of post graduate and graduate students. As a wheat breeder he is doing PhD as CIMMYT Scholar.

15. Deependra Dhakal

PBaGSoN-57

17-Nov-2024

16. Dev Nidhi Tiwari

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-34/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Chiti-6, Dandathok, Lamjung (Besishahar Nagarpalika-11)

Date of birth (BS): 1971-08-28

Citizenship/Number: 7095

Family: Spouse: Chandra Kala Mishra, Son: Siddhartha Tiwari, Daughter: Sabnam Tiwari

Parent's name: Naba Nidhi/Nanda Kumari Tiwari

Affiliation: Nepal Agricultural Research Council

Job title: Senior Scientist (S-4)

Previous affiliation/ with job title:

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Current address: Bharatpur-8, Gauriganj, Chitwan

Education (with University and address): 1. Master's in Plant Science, Wageningen University, the Netherlands; 2. Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, IAAS/TU, Rampur Campus, Chitwan

Areas of Expertise: Rice breeding (Hybrid Rice) and varietal development of stress tolerant rice varieties

Facebook profile:

ResearchGate:

Google Scholar:

Experiences, contributions and awards:

- Released six rice varieties namely Hardinath-4, Ghaiya-3, Hardinath-5, Hardinath-6, Gangasagar-1 and Gangasagar-2
 - Leading and significant role in development of two hybrid rice varieties: Hardinath hybrid-1 and 3
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17. Devaki Shrestha

PBaGSoN-13

26-Dec-2022

18. Dilip Raj Panthee

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-22/ 2023



Birth/ childhood place: Dhurkot, Gulmi, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2022/02/30

Citizenship/Number:

Family: Spouse: Sarita Panthee; Son: Jwalant R. Panthee; Daughter: Jyotsna Panthee

Parents' names: Gunanidhi Panthee and Dhrma Kumari Panthee

Affiliation: North Carolina State University

Job title: Associate Professor, Tomato Breeder

Contact:

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drpanthe@ncsu.edu

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1. Lecturer, IAAS, Rampur. 2. Seed Technologist/Tomato Breeder, Lumle Agr. Research Center, Kaski. 3. Agronomist, Dep. of Irrigation, Kathmandu.

Current address: Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center, North Carolina, USA

Education (with University and address):

1. Ph.D, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA.

2. MPhil, University of Birmingham and Reading, UK.

3. B.Sc.Ag, Institute of Agriculture and Animal Sciences, Tribhuvan University, Nepal.

Areas of Expertise: Biotechnology, Genetics, Genomics, Plant Breeding

Facebook profile:

ResearchGate:

Google Scholar:

Experiences, contributions, and awards:

More than 30 years of working experience in Genetics & Plant Breeding, and Seed Technology. I have released 13 tomato hybrids and 19 breeding lines, and three soybean germplasms.

19. Dilraj Yadav

PBaGSoN-53 11-Feb-2024

20. Dinesh Khanal

PBaGSoN-30 13-Oct-2023

21. Dipendra Kumar Ayer

PBaGSoN-18 27-Dec-2022

22. Hari Bahadur KC

PBaGSoN-03 25-Aug-2019

23. Hari Krishna Upreti

PBaGSoN-04 25-Aug-2019

24. Hari Kumar Shrestha

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-33/ 2024



Private (Seed Inspector, Seed Sampler and Seed Analyst (SN 03/2016/17, SQCC)

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Birth/Childhood place: Palungtar-6, Gaikhur, Gorkha

Date of birth (BS): 2018-01-20

Citizenship/Number: 736 (issued by DoA, Gorkha)

Family: Spouse: Laxmi Maya Shrestha, Daughter: Pushpanjali Shrestha, Sons: Padam Kumar Shrestha, Som Narayan Shrestha and Jeevan Kumar Shrestha

Parent's name: Komal N. Shrestha and Laxmi Kumari Shrestha

Affiliation: National Seed Board (NSB), Nepal

Job Title: Member

Previous Affiliation: 1. International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre (CIMMYT)-Nepal/Seed System Officer, 2. Academia Sinica/Research Assistant, and National Taiwan University (NTU), Taiwan/GM Specialist, 3. Seed Entrepreneurs' Association of Nepal (SEAN)/Consultant Seed Specialist, 4. Social Welfare Council (SWC)/Consultant Team Lead, 5. Seed Quality Control Centre (SQCC)/National Seed Board (NSB), Nepal/Seed Dev. Officer 6. Regional Seed Testing Laboratories (RSTLs), Kailali and Rupandehi/ASD Officer, 7. Seed Science and Technology Division, Nepal Agriculture Research Council (NARC), Lalitpur/Asst. Agri. Botanist, and 8. District Agriculture Office (DAO), Manang/Junior Technician.

Current Address: Nagarjun-10, Syuchatar, Kathmandu, Nepal

Education: 1. **PhD:** GMO seed/food/feed Quality Control and Mgmt., NTU, Taiwan, 2. **MSc:** Seed Sc. and Tech., University of Aberdeen, Scotland, UK, 3. **BSc Ag:** Agronomy (Seed Tech. and Farming System), Tribhuvan University (TU), Institute of Ag. and Animal Sc. (IAAS), Chitwan, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: 1. Seed Research, Production, Quality Control and Management (OP, Hybrid and GMO), 2. Molecular Plant Breeding (rice), 3. Polymerase Chain Reaction (GM crops), 4. Seed Business Plan, 5. Seed Value Chain, and 6. Seed Policy, Regulations and Directives/Guidelines

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Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=&user=nZIRGlcAAAAJ>

Chinari Nepal: <https://hari070113.blogspot.com/>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

For more than 40 years, Dr Shrestha has worked with various organizations, including the government, universities, international/non-governmental organizations (I/NGOs), private (SEAN), and international public organization (IPO). He works at a national seed company and in farming communities in the seed sector (OP and Hybrid). Dr Shrestha was involved in importing germplasm/source seeds of different crops from national and international sources for varietal testing and demonstrations. Similarly, he was engaged in seed research, data collection, analysis, validation, deployment, proposal writing, varietal release and registration. In addition, he worked in the formulation of seed policy, act and regulation; seed production (parental lines, hybrid and OP); field inspection, seed testing and seed certification; seed surveys; seed database designing, handling and management; training activities; plant gene transformation; seed planning, monitoring and

evaluation, and as a Liaison Officer between SQCC and Seed Sector Support Project (SSSP). Hence, he was involved in genetically modified organisms (GMOs) seed/food/feed testing. More importantly, he introduced the Distinctness, Uniformity, and Stability (DUS) testing system in Nepal, which is now a prerequisite for the release and registration of new varieties.

Dr Shrestha worked as a member of a technical committee of the hybrid seed production and certification standards to develop hybrid seed production and certification standards; a digitally enabled seed information system (DESI) team to establish DESI; protocols development teams to develop national protocols for research and development (R&D) and licensing of imported vegetable testing and registration, and the USAID Fall Armyworm (FAW) Taskforce/technical team for Fall Armyworm surveillance protocol and other FAW related activities.

Furthermore, Dr Shrestha developed Multiplex and Real-time Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Systems in Taiwan for GM maize detection and quantification, respectively. As an Agri./Seed Expert Consultant (team lead) Dr Shrestha evaluated different projects of INGOs, developed cooperatives' seed business plans for IWRMP; prepared maize seed value chain for CEAPRED/SDC; developed nine seed directives and guidelines (Seed Sampling; Techniques; Seed Testing; Crop Inspectors' Appointment and Rights and Duties; Seed Certification; Laboratory Registration and working procedures; Destroying of Ceased Seed; Seed Compensation; Seed Registration & Seed Entrepreneurs Registration and Monitoring) for SQCC funded by the USAID through SEAN/IFPRI. He is also a lifetime member of the Plant Breeding Genetics Society of Nepal, Agri. Concern Society Nepal, Agronomy Society of Nepal, Biotechnology Society of Nepal, Health, Agriculture Development Society (HEADS) of Nepal and Nepal Agriculture Committee.

Dr Shrestha published dozens of articles/book chapters and was involved in dozens of knowledge products (books, leaflets, radio jingles, posters, brochures, fact sheets, etc) development. Dr Shrestha awarded with the best article publication at College of Bio-resources and Agriculture NTU, Taiwan in 2010; Travel Grant Winning Award of the Fourth International Symposium on Recent Advances in Food Analysis (RAFA), Prague, Czech Republic in 2009; NTU International Degree Student Outstanding Scholarship Award in 2008/09; Travel Grant Winning Award from Joint Research Centre (JRC), First Global Conference in GMO Analysis, Italy in 2008; NTU International Degree Student Merit-based Scholarship, Taiwan in 2006/07, Winner of the Ministry of Education Merit-based Scholarship, Taiwan in 2005/06, UK Dept. of International Development (DFID) Scholarship for MSc study in 1999/2000, and Silver Jubilee Medal by the Government of Nepal in 1996. Besides his technical areas, he was involved in social activities with different organizations as a Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, General Secretary, Treasurer and/or Executive Director, and Nepalese literature, and released three books on poems and gajals, and published hundreds of individual articles on gajals, poems, travelogues, muktaks, etc.

25. Jeewan Pandey

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-61/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Damauli, Tanahun, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): Aug 14

Affiliation: Limagrain/HM.CLAUSE

Job title: Genetics Scientist

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1. Research Scientist, Texas A&M University 2. Postdoc, Texas A&M University

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Education: 1. Ph.D. from Texas A&M University, Texas, USA 2. M.S. from University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, USA

Areas of Expertise: Genetics and Plant Breeding

Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=fsJJDUwAAAAJ&hl=en>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

Jeewan Pandey is a Genetics Scientist at Limagrain/HM.CLAUSE, based in Davis, California, where he focuses on trait deployment, trait introgression, and integrating image-based phenotyping in vegetable crops. Before joining industry, he worked as an Assistant Research Scientist at Texas A&M University in College Station. There, his research emphasized marker-assisted and genomic selection in potato breeding, along with high-throughput phenotyping approaches. His career reflects a strong transition from academic research in potato genetics to industry-driven innovation in vegetable breeding. Jeewan Pandey was named a Borlaug Scholar by National Association of Plant Breeders (NAPB) in 2021 and received the Potato Leadership, Education and Advancement Scholarship from the National Potato Council in 2020.

26. Jharana Upadhyaya

PBaGSoN-62 12-Aug-2024

27. Jiban Shrestha

PBaGSoN-09 26-Dec-2022

28. Kalika Prasad Upadhyay

PBaGSoN-77 7-Jan-2025

29. Kamaleshlata Rajbhandary

PBaGSoN-50 11-Feb-2024

30. Kedar Nath Adhikari

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-79/2025



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kn.adhikari@gmail.com**Birth/ childhood place:** Astam, Machhapuchhre Village Development Committee – 6, Kaski Nepal**Date of birth (BS):** 2016**Family:** Mira Adhikari (spouse) and two children**Parents' name:** Kuldip Adhikari and Hari Kala Adhikari**Affiliation:** The University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia**Job title:** Senior Plant Breeder**Previous affiliation/ with job title:** Assistant plant breeder within NARC, Nepal; Plant Breeder at the Department of Primary Industries, Perth Western Australia**Current address:** Perth, Western Australia.**Education (with University and address):** PhD from the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia (Genetics and Plant Breeding); MSc: The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada (Plant Breeding); BSc Hons Agriculture: Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar, India**Areas of Expertise:** Plant Breeding and genetics; biotic and abiotic stress tolerance; genotype, management and environment interaction**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/kedar.adhikari.391/>**ResearchGate:** <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Kedar-Adhikari/research>**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=D2kBz2sAAAAJ>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Dr Adhikari has over three decades of experience as a plant breeder in Nepal and Australia. Currently, he leads the grain legume breeding program at the University of Sydney where he has developed many faba bean varieties with high yielding, disease resistance and superior seed quality. His varieties are widely grown by farmers occupying 100% of faba bean area in the northern agricultural region of Australia. Likewise, all white lupins grown in Western Australia are under his varieties. His research has spread outside Australia and contributed to many other countries through his improved varieties and knowledge sharing. Apart from breeding varieties, Dr Adhikari is an active academic leader involved in teaching, research, scientific writing, mentoring and training post-graduate students in plant breeding. More than ten PhD students and several honours students have graduated under his supervision and more are continuing. Dr Adhikari has published over 100 scientific papers in international refereed journals, conference proceedings and book chapters. He is an editor and reviewer of several scientific journals. He is also a community worker serving in different organisations in various capacities, such as Rotary Club, the Nepalese Association of Agriculture, Forestry and Environment in Australia and affiliated with the Far Western University in Nepal.

31. Keshab Raj Pokhrel

PBaGSoN-45

9-Feb-2024

32. Khem Raj Pant

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-37/2024

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Birth/ childhood place: Bhimdatt-10, Kanchanpur, Suduraschim, Nepal**Date of birth (BS):** 1993 Feb 27**Citizenship/Number:** 751001-6922**Family:** Spouse: Priyanka Bhatt, Son: Ayansha Raj Pant**Parent's name:** Jagannath Pant/ Hira Devi Pant**Affiliation:** National Wheat Research Program (NWRP), NARC, Bhairahawa, Rupandehi**Job title:** Senior Technical Officer (Plant Breeding and Genetics)**Previous affiliation/ with job title:** Hill Crops Research Program (HCRP), NARC, Dolakha**Job title:** Technical Officer (Plant Breeding and Genetics)**Current address:** Omsatiya-2, Rupandehi, Nepal**Education (with University and address):** 1. MSc Ag (Plant Breeding) from the Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Chitwan, Nepal; 2. BSc Agriculture from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science (IAAS), Tribhuvan University, Nepal**Areas of Expertise:** Wheat Breeding, Barley Breeding, Finger millet breeding, Maintenance Breeding of cereal crops, Breeder seed production, data analysis using R software.**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/khemraj.pant3>**ResearchGate:** <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Khem-Pant-2>**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=A5zizn4AAAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Mr Khem Raj Pant has been working as a wheat breeder for the past 8.5 years at the National Wheat Research Program (NWRP), NARC, Bhairahawa, Nepal. Previously, he worked for 2 years at the Hill Crops Research Program (HCRP), Dolakha, focusing on the breeding and varietal maintenance of barley, buckwheat, and finger millet. During his tenure at HCRP, Dolakha, he contributed in the development of one barley variety (Muktinath) and two bitter buckwheat varieties (Tite Fapar-1 and Tite Fapar-2). After joining NWRP, Bhairahawa in 2017, he played vital role in the development of 5 wheat varieties. Of these, 4 varieties (BL4341, Zinc Gahun-1, Zinc Gahun-2, and Borlaug 2020) are released/recommended for the Terai/Plains region, with 3 of them (Zinc Gahun-1, Zinc Gahun-2, and Borlaug 2020) being zinc-enriched varieties, released for the first time in Nepal in 2021. Additionally, he contributed to the development of Bheriganga variety; a wheat variety released/recommended for the mid and high hill regions of Nepal. Beyond plant breeding work, Mr. Khem Raj Pant also guides post graduate and graduate students and researchers in Research works and data analysis using R software.

He has published more than 50 articles in national and international journals. His primary area of work focuses on the development and promotion of climate-resilient, nutrient dense and rust resistant wheat varieties for diverse agro-ecological domains of Nepal.

33. Khushi Ram Tiwari

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-21/2023

**Contact:****Email:** tiwarikr@gmail.com**Birth/ childhood place:** MadhyaNepal-1, Jita, Lamjung, Nepal.**Date of birth (BS):** 2018/1/25**Citizenship/Number:** 447**Family:** Spouse: Mrs Ambika Tiwari; Daughter: Binita Tiwari**Parent's name:** Nanda Prasad Tiwari and Shanta Maya (Tiwari) Dhital**Affiliation:** Bayer Crop Science/Monsanto**Job title:** Principal Plant Breeder- 2010-2025

Previous affiliations: 1. Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc./Corteva Agri Science; Job Title- Plant Breeder. 1999-2010. 2. Post Doc Scientist- University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK. CANADA- 1998-1999. 3. Nepal Agriculture Research Council (NARC), Asst. Legume Breeder, National Grain Legume Research Program, Rampur Chitwan- 1985-1992. 4. Job Title- Assistant Agronomist- Agriculture Development Office, Birjung, Nepal. 1983-1985. 5. Department of Soil Conservation and Watershed Management, Asst. Soil Conservation officer, Gorkha, Nepal- 1982-1983.

Current address: 203 Calhoun Dr., Madison, Mississippi, 39110, USA.

Education: PhD Genetics and Plant Breeding- University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. MSc Plant Breeding/Agronomy- University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada. BSc Ag- IAAS, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal.

Areas of Expertise: Genetics, Plant Breeding, Molecular Genetics, Biotechnology.**Facebook profile:****ResearchGate:****Google Scholar:****Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Results-driven and accomplished Plant Breeder with demonstrated success in developing superior products with high-yield, disease resistance, and agronomically superior products in the USA. Dr Tiwari is an expert in germplasm introgression, hybrid breeding and at applying modern agricultural technology, including marker assisted selection (MAS), and doubled haploids. He is an inventor of over 65 corn inbreds and hybrids (Over 65 US Patents) that are commercially grown in the US, Europe, and South America. Clear communicator who builds strong relationships with peers, clients, and stakeholders to achieve organizational goals.

- Twenty-five years of working experience with two of the largest seed companies in the world (Pioneer/Monsanto/Bayer) developing corn hybrids on global scale.
- Ten years of service with NARC/DOA and contributed in the development of two Cowpea varieties- Aakash and Prakash and two Chickpea varieties- Kalika and Kosheli.
- Published 25 Plus research articles in peer reviewed journals and book chapters.
- Recipient/Inventor of 65 plus US patents on corn inbreds/hybrids.
- Recipient of IDRC (International Development Research Centre, Canada) award to study in Canada.

34. Kiran Timilsena

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-80/ 2025



Birth/ childhood place: Jwalamukhi-04, Dhading, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2053-09-25

Citizenship/Number: 1/65423

Family: Spouse: , Son: , Daughter:

Parent's name: Sushil Timalsena and Chandika Timalsena

Affiliation: Muktinath Krishi Company, R&D, Chitwan

Job title: Plant Breeder

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1., Prithu Technical

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Education (with University and address): 1. MSc Ag (Plant Breeding) from IAAS/Tribhuvan University, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Genetics and Plant Breeding, Statistics

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Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=8d-0ZdwAAAAJ&hl=en>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

- Assistant Campus Chief, Assistant Professor, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, Prithu Technical College, IAAS, TU Feb 2022-Nov 2025
- Academic calendar preparation and implementation guided over 50 students under Undergraduate Practicum Assessment research and involved in overall management of the academic activities.
- Published few research articles books of Plant Breeding, Genetics, Seed Technology and Statistics for ISc Ag based on curriculum of CTEVT.
- Learning and Performing Crop Improvement Activities.
- An eager learner.

35. Koshraj Upadhyay

PBaGSoN-23

12-Jan-2023

36. Krishna Dhakal

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-08/2022



Birth/ childhood place: Rampur-5, Palpa
Date of birth (BS): January 14, 1993
Citizenship/Number: 391055/671
Family: Manisha Regmi, Son: Nivan Dhakal
Parent's name: Giriraj Dhakal and Bhim Kumari Dhakal

Affiliation: Nepal Agricultural Research Council
Job title: Technical Officer
Previous affiliation/ with job title: none
Current address: DoAR Surkhet

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Education (with University and address): 1. MSc Ag (Plant breeding) from Agriculture and Forestry University, Rampur, Chitwan; 2. BSc Ag. from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Tribhuvan University, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Crop improvement, Plant Breeding

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ResearchGate:

Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=J1JTk-UAAAAJ&hl=en>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

Accomplished research and development professional possessing more than 7 years of hands-on experience in agriculture research (agronomy, plant breeding), technology verification and dissemination in a rural setting of Nepal. Developed and implemented more than five research projects related to biodiversity conservation, food and nutrition security, climate change adaptation, and nutrient biofortification in collaboration with national and international research and development partners. Published several research papers in international peer reviewed journals (Q3 to Q1). Mr. Dhakal was awarded with undergraduate scholarship from IAAS, TU, and merit based post-graduate scholarship from AFU.

37. Krishna Hari Ghimire

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-036/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Gaikhur, Gorkha, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2031/05/25

Citizenship/Number: 31960/Gorkha

Family: Spouse: Narayani, Son: Kushal, Daughter: Kusum

Parent's name: Keshar Bahadur and Shir Kumari

Affiliation: Nepal Agricultural Research Council

Job title: Senior Scientist

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1., 2., 3.

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Education (with University and address):

1. PhD (Plant Breeding) from Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Nepal
2. MS (Plant Breeding) from University of the Philippines Los Banos (UPLB), Philippines

Areas of Expertise: Plant Breeding, Plant Genetic Resources, Seed Science, Biotechnology

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Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=iJDKqG8AAAAJ&hl=en>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

More than 26 years of experience on plant breeding and agrobiodiversity research under NARC. Published more than 200 research and review articles in peer reviewed journals, proceedings and books. Contributed in the release and registration of more than 20 crop varieties of major and minor crops in Nepal. Awarded with "Best Master's Thesis Award-2011 (UPLB)" and "CAFS Distinguished Alumni Awards-2025 (UPLB)".

38. Madan Raj Bhatta

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-43/2024

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**Birth/ childhood place:** Baitadi, Dehimandu**Date of birth (BS):** 2009**Citizenship/Number:** 2620**Family:** Spouse: Karuna Bhatta, Son: Kabi Raj Bhatta and Lok Raj Bhatta, Daughter: X**Parent's name:** Pramanand Bhatta and Tulasi Devi Bhatta**Affiliation:** Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC)**Job title:** Retired Plant breeder**Previous affiliation/ with job title:** 1. Wheat Breeder and National wheat coordinator 2. Chief, National Agriculture Genetic Resources Center 3. Consultant at CIMMYT South Asia Office, Kathmandu 4. National Consultant Seed policy and Genetic resources 5. Consultant to Asian Development Bank**Current address:** Bhimdatt-3, Jagannath Marga 191 Mahendranagar Kanchanpur**Contact:****Email:**madanrajbhatta@gmail.commadan_bhatta86@yahoo.com**Education (with University and address):** BSc Ag and AH from Govind Ballav University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar India. MS Plant Breeding from 2. University of the Philippines**Areas of Expertise:** Wheat breeding, Maintenance breeding, Breeder Seed production and Genetic resources conservation**Facebook profile:****ResearchGate:****Google Scholar:****Experiences:** 30 years of wheat breeding and varietal maintenance research at National Wheat Research Program, Bhairahawa and five years of working experience at National Agriculture Genetic Resources Center**Contributions:** Developed and release of 14 wheat varieties for cultivation in Nepal. The variety "Bijay" which was released in 2010 as Ug99 resistant one became a global seed and distributed among many wheat growing countries around the world. Established wheat maintenance breeding at National wheat research program. Created and established long term conservation facility at the National Gene bank.**Awards and honors:**

1. Kaji Indrajeet Katuwal NAST Award 2025
2. Rudra Prasad Oli Smriti National Agriculture Award, 2017 plus Letter of Honour by Rudra-Gauri Sri Ambika Oli Trust.
3. Most Outstanding International Award plus Letter of Appreciation by AFACI, Korea for the management of plant genetic resources in Nepal (2015)
4. Award by the Government of Nepal/Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC) in 2013
5. Borlaug Global Rust Initiative Gene Stewardship Award, 2012
6. Award of Excellence in wheat research and development in 2012
7. Letter of honour for excellence in wheat research and development in 2009.
8. PRABAL GORKHA DAKSHINA BAHU (GO.DA.BA.) 1996.

39. Madhusudan Upadhyay

PBaGSoN-28 16-Jun-2023

40. Mahendra Tripathi

PBaGSoN-14 26-Dec-2022

41. Mamata Subedi

PBaGSoN-67 29-Dec-2024

42. Mohammad Ekram Hussain

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-58/2024

**Birth/ childhood place:** Rajpur-4, Rautahat**Date of birth (BS):** 2046-05-28**Citizenship/Number:** 4283**Family:** Spouse: , Son: , Daughter:**Parent's name:** Md. Tahir Hussain**Affiliation:** Madhesh Agricultural University**Job title:** Assistant Professor**Previous affiliation/ with job title:** Karma Group of Companies, Senior R &D Manager (Plant Breeding**Current address:** Rajbiraj, Saptari**Contact:** +977-9742560192**Email:** ekram.hussain12@gmail.com**Education (with University and address):**

1. PhD (Genetics and Plant Breeding) Tamil Nadu Agricultural University
2. MSc (Genetics and Plant Breeding) JNKK, Jabalpur.

Areas of Expertise: Plant Breeding, Plant Genetic Resources, Seed Science, Biotechnology**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/ekram.hussain.507>**ResearchGate:** https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Mohammad-Hussain-99?ev=hdr_xprf**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=RaRzr18AAAAJ&hl=en>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Dr Mohammad Ekram Hussain is currently working as an Assistant Professor (Genetics and Plant Breeding) at Madhesh Agricultural University, Saptari, Nepal. Dr Hussain holds a PhD in Genetics and Plant Breeding from Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, India. He worked as a PhD research scholar at ICRISAT, the global headquarters. He continued his education with specialised training in plant breeding techniques, genetics, and molecular biology, equipping him with a solid foundation in both traditional and modern breeding technologies. Throughout his career, Dr Hussain has worked with private seed companies where he has led various breeding programmes aimed at addressing challenges faced by farmers. He has extensive experience in designing and implementing breeding strategies, conducting multi-location field trials, analysing data, and selecting superior breeding lines. He has published several scientific papers related to genetics and plant breeding.

43. Mukunda Bhattarai

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-39/2024



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Date of birth (BS): 2030-01-15
Citizenship/Number: 11561/3185
Family: Spouse: Bishnu Sapkota; Daughter: Ritika Bhattarai; Son: Ritiz Bhattarai
Parent's name: Shalik Ram Bhattarai and Tulsia Bhattarai
Affiliation: National Agriculture Genetic Resources Centre (Gene bank), NARC
Job title: Technical officer
Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1. District Soil Conservation Office, Nuwakot, 2. Agriculture Development Bank, Bardiya
Current address: Lalitpur Metropolitan city-15, Khumaltar

Education (with university and address):

BSc Ag - Himalayan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, Bhaktapur; MSc Ag (Plant Breeding and genetics) - Faculty of Agriculture and Marine Science, Kochi University, Japan; PhD (Plant Breeding and genetics) - The United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences, Japan.

Areas of Expertise: Plant breeding and genetics, specializing in the sd1-d gene (Dee-geo-woo-gen); elite line selection; techniques for medium- and long-term seed storage to prevent genetic erosion; plant gene identification; agrobiodiversity conservation; farmers' variety registration systems; repatriation of genetic resources in farmers' fields; and the characterization and conservation of wild rice and wild relatives through in-situ and ex-situ conservation of plant genetic resources.

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Experiences, contributions and awards:

As a working as a researcher at NAGRC, NARC, I have over 20 years of expertise in plant breeding and genetic resources. Specializing in the sd1-d gene in rice, my PhD research focused on its impact on yield and agronomic traits. I lead germplasm characterization, evaluation, conservation, policy support, and community seed bank development, with a focus on climate-resilient crops like finger millet and wild rice. Previously, I worked at the Regional Agricultural Research Center, Lumle, on varietal development and stress tolerance research. My work has been recognized through numerous publications and awards, including a third-place award at the 25th Summer Crops Workshop. Additionally, I focus on international collaboration for germplasm utilization, particularly with wild rice and its relatives.

44. Nabin Bhusal

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-41/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Sandhikharka-07, Arghakhanchi

Date of birth (BS): 2044-04-12

Citizenship/Number: 9799

Family: Mrs. Ritu Rani Poudel, Son: NA, Daughter: NA

Parents' name: Mr. Damodar Prasad Bhusal/ Mrs. Madhu Bhusal

Affiliation: Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, Faculty of Agriculture, Agriculture and Forestry University, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal

Job title: Assistant Professor

Previous affiliation/ with job title: NA

Current address: Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, Faculty of Agriculture, Agriculture and Forestry University, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal

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Education (with university and address): PhD, Genetics and Plant Breeding, Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar, Haryana, India

Areas of Expertise: 8 years

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Experiences, contributions, and awards

- Wheat Breeding, particularly heat and drought stress

45. Narayan Bahadur Dhimi

PBaGSoN-73

7-Jan-2025

46. Netra Hari Ghimire

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-25/2023



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Date of birth (BS): 2030/09/01

Citizenship/Number: 572/2762 Arghakhanchi

Family: Spouse: Padma, Son: Awasar, Daughter: Niyukti

Parent's name: Narendra Raj, Ishwora Devi

Affiliation: Chief at National Seed Science Technology Research Center Khumaltar, Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC)

Job title: Senior Scientist

Previous affiliation/ with job title: Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training (CTEVT)/ Instructor, Grain Legumes Research Program, Khajura/Coordinator, Mountain Agricultural Research Institute (MARI)/Director, Agriculture Research Station Vijayanagar Jumla/Chief, Horticulture Research Station Kimugaun Dailekh/Chief

Current address: Kageswori Manohara-09, Kathmandu

Education (with University and address): BSc Ag and MSc Ag from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Rampur Chitwan Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Genetics and Plant Breeding, Seed Science, Biotechnology

Facebook profile:

ResearchGate:

Google Scholar:

Experiences, contributions and awards:

More than 20 years of experience in varietal development work of different crops under NARC. Involved in varietal development of grain legumes, millets, beans, peas, barley etc. Directly involved in variety release process of Gajale Bodi, Khajura Masuro-3, Khajura Bhatmas-1, Chaumase Simi etc. Published many articles in national and international journals and proceeding.

47. Padam Prasad Poudel

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-038/2-24



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Birth/ childhood place: Sandhikharka-7, Arghakhanchi, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2044-06-16

Citizenship/Number: 7940/5063

Family: Spouse: Madhu Bhusal, Daughter: Aarogya Poudel

Parent's name: Hiranya Prasad Poudel and Sita Poudel

Affiliation: Grain Legumes Research Program, Khajura, Banke

Job title: Scientist

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1. VSP-CEAPRED/Coordinator,
2. Directorate of Agricultural Research/Scientist

Current address: Sandhikharka-7, Arghakhanchi, Nepal

Education (with University and address): 1. MSc Genetics and Plant Breeding/Banaras Hindu University, India

Areas of Expertise: Plant Breeding in Grain Legumes

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Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=ZWzVswEAAA&hl=en>

Experiences, contributions and awards:

Mr Padam Prasad Poudel has been actively engaged in legume crop research, genotype-by-environment interaction (G×E) analysis, and varietal evaluation in Nepal. His work primarily focuses on improving the productivity, resilience, and adoption of lentil, chickpea, soybean, and other major grain legumes through scientific experimentation, participatory research, and data-driven approaches. Over the years, he has contributed to multi-location trials, on-farm participatory varietal selection (PVS), and statistical analyses to identify stable, high-yielding, and farmer-preferred genotypes for Nepal's diverse agro-ecologies.

He has published more than 15 articles in journal and proceedings. His professional motto is to enhance legume crop productivity, resilience, and genetic potential to support food and nutritional security in Nepal.

48. Pallavi Kumari Singh

PBaGSoN-06

25-Aug-2019

49. Prabesh Koirala

PBaGSoN-26

22-Mar-2023

50. Pradip Thapa

PBaGSoN-40/2024



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Birth/ childhood place: Modi-7 Parbat

Date of birth (BS): 2047-08-23

Citizenship/Number: 511043/242

Family: Spouse: Asmita Bhujel

Daughter: Prinsha Thapa

Parent's name: Man Bahadur Thapa, Kala Devi Thapa

Affiliation: National Agriculture Genetic Resources Centre, NARC

Job title: Technical officer (T-6)

Previous affiliation/ with job title:

1. Agriculture Instructor/CTEVT

2. HFP Marketing Officer/USAID supported SUAHARA II Program

Current address: Lalitpur Metropolitan city-15, Khumaltar

Education (with university and address):

BSc Ag, Lamjung Campus. IAAS, TU

MSc Ag, Rampur Campus- AFU

Areas of Expertise: Seed Science, Agrobiodiversity, Farmers variety registration system

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Experiences, contributions and awards:

Currently working as a Technical Officer at the National Agriculture Genetic Resources Centre (NAGRC) under the Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC), with expertise in genetics and plant breeding. Actively involved in the conservation and sustainable utilization of agrobiodiversity, including support for policy formulation and the registration of farmers' native varieties in Nepal.

51. Pratikshya Paudel	PBaGSoN-66	29-Dec-2024
52. Pratikshya Shrestha	PBaGSoN-49	11-Feb-2024
53. Pukar Bashyal	PBaGSoN-20	2-Jan-2023
54. Pushpa Raj Poudel	PBaGSoN-12	26-Dec-2022
55. Rajendra Darai	PBaGSoN-44	8-Feb-2024
56. Rajendra Prasad Yadav	PBaGSoN-52	11-Feb-2024
57. Ram Baran Yadaw	PBaGSoN-51	11-Feb-2024
58. Ram Prasad Mainali	PBaGSoN-11	26-Dec-2022
59. Ramesh Acharya	PBaGSoN-42	8-Feb-2024
60. Ramesh Babu Rijal	PBaGSoN-54	7-Mar-2024
61. Resham Babu Amgai	PBaGSoN-02	25-Aug-2019

62. Sabin Basi

PBaGSoN-24 24-Jan-2023

63. Sabina Manandhar

PBaGSoN-78 7-Jan-2025

64. Sabina Tiwari

PBaGSoN-27 30-Mar-2023

65. Sahara Subedi

PBaGSoN-70 27-Jan-2025

66. Sanjita Khati Chettri

PBaGSoN-64 18-Dec-2024

67. Santosh Raj Tripathi

ID/Year: PBaGSoN- 56/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Palungtar-06, Gorkha

Date of birth (BS): 2037/11/07

Citizenship/Number: 20585

Family: Spouse: Sanju Tiwari, **Son:** Aarav Raj Tripathi

Parent's name: Krishna Raj Tripathi and Dil Kumari Tripathi

Affiliation: Jute Research Program, NARC

Job title: Senior Scientist (S4)

Previous affiliation/ with job title: 1. Tribhuvan University, IoE, Lecturer, 2. Grain Legume Research Program, Scientist 3. Agronomy Division, Scientist, 3. Regional Agricultural Research Station, Khajura, Scientist, 4. Regional Agricultural Research Station, Tarahara, Senior Scientist 5. Agricultural Research Station, Belachapi, Chief

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Education (with University and address): 1. PhD (Plant Breeding) from Agriculture and forestry university; 2. MSc from Tribhuvan University, IAAS, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Genetics and Plant Breeding, Agrobiodiversity, Statistics, Climate smart plant breeding, Crop management

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Experiences, contributions and awards

Dr Tripathi is working as Senior Scientist (S-4) under Agricultural Research Council, mainly focusing on cereals, legume and oilseed breeding improvement works. He has published more than 50 research papers in national and international journals, proceedings, booklets.

He was awarded with a scholarship by Cornell University to conduct MSc Study and thesis work. Similarly, International Rice Research Institute awarded a scholarship to conduct PhD study and thesis research.

68. Shanta Karki

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-72/2025

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shantakoto@gmail.com**Birth/ childhood place:** Bhotewodar, Lamjung, Nepal**Date of birth (BS):** 2035/08/05**Citizenship/Number:** 22727**Family:** Spouse: Dr. Govinda Rizal, Son: 0, Daughter: 0**Parents' name:** Mr. Bishnu Bahadur Karki and Mrs. Bishnu Maya Karki**Affiliation:** Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development**Job title:** Joint Secretary**Previous affiliation/ with job title:** 1. Molecular Biologist, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines**Current address:** Tokha-8, Kathmandu, Nepal**Education:** 1. PhD, Kyoto University, Japan; 2. MSc, Kyoto University, Japan**Areas of Expertise:** Molecular Biology, Plant Breeding, Plant Sciences, C4 Rice, Plant Biotechnology, Genetic Engineering, Agricultural Sciences**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/shanta.karki>**ResearchGate:** <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Shanta-Karki>**Google Scholar:****ORCID ID:** <https://orcid.org/0000-0001-8431-2674>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Dr Karki is Joint Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Government of Nepal. She is currently working at the Central Agricultural Laboratory which is responsible for quality check and quality assurance of the agricultural inputs such as soil, seed, fertilizers, pesticides and pesticide residues in fresh agricultural produces. She has been involved in developing wet laboratory standard operating protocols and preparing the laboratory for the accreditation. Similarly, she has been actively engaged in policy formulation, program planning, monitoring and evaluation, preparation of norms and working protocols related to various citrus development programs in Nepal. She contributed in preparation of nursery directive to set the standards of the quality of fruit saplings and regulate it to ensure provision of quality saplings to the fruit farmers.

Previously she worked at the International Rice Research Institute as the Molecular Biologist who was actively engaged in the genetic engineering of the C4 rice and established *indica* rice genetic transformation system and various other tissue culture protocols, transgene expression protocols and development of stable transgenic events.

Dr Karki has published more than 90 research articles in various international journals and edited many books, book chapters, reviewed journal articles and workshop proceedings. She served as the Editor-in-Chief for the Mandarin Orange Compendium and several technical books.

69. Shree Bhagavan Thakur

PBaGSoN-31

28-Jan-2024

70. Shree Prasad Neupane

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-32/2024



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Affiliation: FAORAP, Thailand

Previous affiliation: 1. Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC), Head Office, Bangkok, Thailand; 2. ICIMOD, 3. LI-BIRD, 4. IRRI; 5. CIMMYT; 6. CEAPRED; 7. Anamolbiu Company Pvt. Ltd.; 8. MADE Nepal

Job title: Cassava Expert

Current address: Rupa RM-7 Kaski, Nepal

Education: 1. PhD Agrobiodiversity (Plant Genetic Resources) from the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, Italy;
2. MSc (Plant Breeding) TU/IAAS, Rampur, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Participatory Plant Breeding, Agrobiodiversity, Genomics, Seed System, Climate-Smart Agriculture, Multi-parental population development

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Experiences and contributions: Dr Neupane has been working on research and development (R&D) sectors on participatory and evolutionary plant breeding, seed systems, agrobiodiversity, plant genetic resources, and food and nutritional security of smallholder farmers since last 20 years. He has work experience in on-farm participatory research and technology development and dissemination on droughts, floods, heat, and salinity in South Asia and the Asia Pacific regions. He has knowledge and experience in mobilizing farming communities and local and national partners to test and evaluate climate-resilient varieties and technologies in heterogeneous and high-production potential environments. He has contributed to releasing and registering client-oriented rice varieties and to community seed banks and farmers' groups to register local landraces, and NUS crop varieties into the national system. He specializes in creating multi-parental recombinant inter-cross maize populations to enhance yield and disease resistance, and to support food and nutritional security for smallholder farmers.

71. Sony Bhattarai

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-63/2024

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1. MS (Genetics and Plant Breeding) from Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Nepal (Running)
2. BS (Plant Breeding) from Nepal Polytechnic Institute (NPI), Purbanchal University (PU), Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Plant breeding, Agrobiodiversity conservation, Plant Genetic Resources, Biotechnology.**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/share/17RCFxZooj/>**ResearchGate:** https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sony-Bhattarai?ev=hdr_xprf**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=kAmwbFQAAAAJ>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Sony Bhattarai is pursuing an MSc in Plant Breeding and Genetics at Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU). She has been engaged in research on foxtail millet, proso millet, and popcorn maize, with a focus on characterization and evaluation at the National Agriculture Genetic Resources Centre (Genebank), Khumaltar. As a Bachelor's student, she received a scholarship for academic excellence, reflecting her dedication and performance. She has published three scientific articles and authored a book on plant breeding and agrobiodiversity, demonstrating her commitment to research and knowledge dissemination. She has also developed skills in GIS, field and laboratory-based breeding research, genetic resource management, and scientific writing, providing a strong foundation for future contributions to genetic resource conservation, crop improvement, and climate-smart plant breeding.

72. Suchit Prasad Shrestha

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-71/2025



Birth/ childhood place: Patan, Mangal Bazar, Lalitpur-16, Bagmati Province, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2028 / 10 / 06

Citizenship/Number: 10/1073

Family: Spouse: Bipana Pradhan Shrestha, **Daughter: (1)** Subreena Shrestha, and **(2)** Sachetana Shrestha

Parent's name: Father: Uchit Prasad Shrestha and Mother: Kamala Shrestha

Affiliation: Karma Group of Companies

Job title: R&D Director

Previous affiliation/ with job title: International Rice Research Institute, LB, Philippines; Africa Rice, Cotonou, Benin; NARC, Lalitpur, Nepal

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Education (with university and address):

1. PhD from the University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany;
2. MSc-Ag from the ARTS, University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany
3. BSc-Ag from the IAAS, Tribhuvan University, Chitwan, Nepal
4. ISc from the KVC, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Crop Physiology, Crop modeling, Bio-statistics, Soil Science & Plant nutrition

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Experiences, contributions and awards:

Dr Shrestha is a distinguished agricultural scientist with an international research background. He served as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) in the Philippines, specializing in Crop Physiology, and at AfricaRice in Benin as a Systems Agronomist. Following the completion of his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, he began his professional career as a Technical Officer in Soil Science at the Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC). His tenure at NARC included postings at key institutions: the Soil Science Division in Khumaltar, the Agriculture Environment Unit in Khumaltar, and the Regional Agriculture Research Station in Lumle, Kaski District. Dr Shrestha possesses advanced expertise in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Remote Sensing, Crop Phenomics, and Genomics. His primary research focus is on elucidating crop adaptation mechanisms and phenotypic responses within the complex framework of Genotype x Environment x Management x Socioeconomic x Policy (GxExMxSExP) interactions. He has authored a significant number of publications in peer-reviewed international and national journals, establishing a strong record of scholarly contribution. A dynamic and versatile professional, Dr. Shrestha has cultivated scientific expertise in both public and private sectors. He currently serves as the Research & Development (R&D) Director for the Karma Group of Companies, where he leads innovation and strategic scientific development.

73. Sudeep Subedi

PBaGSoN-10

26-Dec-2022

74. Sujan Karki

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-68/2024



Birth/ childhood place: Kamal Rural Municipality, Ward-05, Padajungi, Jhapa, Nepal

Date of birth (BS): 2047-12-16

Citizenship/Number: 042043/221

Family: Spouse: Sabita Sharma, Son: Ruaan Karki, Rudhav Kark

Parent's name: Ram Kumar Karki and Khin Maya Bohora

Affiliation: Jute Research Program, Itahari, Sunsari

Job title: Technical officer (T-6)

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Education (with University and address): 1. MSc Ag (Genetics and Plant Breeding), Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Rampur, Chitwan
2. BSc Ag, Purbanchal University

Areas of Expertise: Plant Breeding

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Experiences, contributions and awards: Mr Karki is working in plant breeding since last 11 years and have working on germplasm collection, conservation and utilization along with varietal development on Jute crops. He has published more than 15 articles.

75. Suman Bohara

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Citizenship/Number: 391039/305

Family: Spouse: Binita K.C., Daughter: Yashasvi Bohara

Parent's name: Krishna Bahadur Bohara/Shanta Bohara

Affiliation: Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC)

Job title: Technical Officer

Previous affiliation/ with job title: Shree Janajyoti Higher Secondary School, Sindhuli/ Agricultural Instructor

Current address: Directorate of Agricultural Research (DoAR), Lumbini Province, Khajura, Banke, Nepal

Education (with University and address): BSc Ag (Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science-IAAS, Paklihawa

Areas of Expertise: Rice and Wheat Breeding, Crop selection for abiotic stress tolerance, Durum wheat breeding

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Experiences, contributions and awards:

Awards and Scholarships:

- **Australia Awards Scholarship (2026-2028):** Masters in Agricultural Science (Specialization in Breeding and Genetics) at the University of Western Australia, Perth.

Experience:

- **Research Experience:** Technical Officer (Plant Breeding and Genetics) at NARC since 2018.
 - **Teaching and Mentoring Experience:** Agricultural Instructor/ Technical Education in Community School (TECS) Program, Shree Jana Jyoti Higher Secondary School (Aug 2017-Nov 2017)
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76. Suman Ghimire

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1. MS (Genetics and Plant Breeding) from Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Nepal (Running)
2. BS (Plant Breeding) from Nepal Polytechnic Institute (NPI), Purbanchal University (PU), Nepal

Areas of Expertise: Plant Breeding, Plant Genetic Resources, Biotechnology, Plant Pathology**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/suman.ghimire.945755>**ResearchGate:** https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Suman-Ghimire-14?ev=hdr_xprf**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=IsUmaWgAAAAJ&hl=en>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Suman Ghimire, MSc student in Genetics and Plant Breeding at Agriculture and Forestry University, holds a BSc (Hons) in Agricultural Science with distinction from Purbanchal University. He has conducted research on millet characterization, multilocation maize trials, and elite line characterization of foxtail millet, with internships at NAGRC (Genebank) and NPBGRC, Khumaltar. His contributions include scientific publications, projects on various crops, and volunteering in academic events. He is a recipient of multiple merit scholarships, a postgraduate research grant (2024), and certifications in crop pest diagnosis, GIS, and agribusiness. His academic excellence and dedication highlight his commitment to advancing agricultural science and the goals of PBaGSoN.

77. Surendra Lal Shrestha

PBaGSoN-29

27-Jul-2023

78. Sushil Raj Subedi

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Experience over 20 years in agricultural research, plant breeding, agronomy and seed system in Nepal, with international research exposure. Currently serving as Coordinator/Scientist in Hill Crops Research Program (HCRP), Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC).

Worked as Rice Breeder at National Rice Research Program (NRRP), Hardinath for more than 10 years leading and coordinating hybrid rice, stress tolerance rice, spring rice and boro rice breeding activities as a result released Nepal's first hybrid rice varieties: Hardinath Hybrid-1 and Hardinath Hybrid-3 and more than 5 inbred varieties.

International research experience includes PHD research at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines, focusing on QTL mapping and genomic analysis in dry direct-seeded rice.

Authored multiple national and international peer-reviewed publication in reputed journals including BMC Genomics, Scientific Reports, and Frontiers in plant Science.

- ADB-funded PhD Research Award
- MSc Thesis Research Grant

79. Tirtha Subedi

PBaGSoN-75

7-Jan-2025

80. Ujjawal K.S. Kushwaha

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-016/2022

**Birth/ childhood place:** Godaita-5, Ramban Tol, Sarlahi**Date of birth (BS):** 1885**Citizenship/Number:** 76772415**Family:** Niyasa Kumari Mahato, Son: Amulya Kumar Kushwaha**Parent's name:** Ram Chandra Mahato and Sarswati Devi Mahato**Affiliation:** Nepal Agricultural Research Council**Job title:** Technical Officer**Previous affiliation/ with job title:****Contact:** 00977-9844033976**Email:** kushujjwal@gmail.com;ujjawalplantbreeder@narc.gov.np**Current address:** National Plant Breeding and Genetics Research Centre, Khumaltar, Lalitpur-NARC**Education (with University and address):** 1. PhD from GB Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar, Uttarakhand, India; 2. MSc Ag and BSc Ag from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Tribhuvan University, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal**Areas of Expertise:** Genetics and Plant Breeding, rice breeding**Facebook profile:** <https://www.facebook.com/ujjwal.kushwaha>**ResearchGate:** https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ujjawal-Kushwaha?ev=hdr_xprf**Google Scholar:** <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=liJOSuwAAAAJ&hl=en>**Experiences, contributions and awards:**

Innovative and award-winning plant breeder with over 13 years of experience in rice genetics, varietal development, hybrid breeding, and academic instruction. Prolific author with 40+ publications, editor-in-chief roles, international recognition, and curriculum contributor for major agricultural universities.

Major award includes Outstanding Rice Breeder Award-Ministry of Agriculture, Gov. of Nepal (2025); Nepal Bidhya Bhushan 'Ka' –Govt. of Nepal (2023); National Talent Award – Prayas Manch Nepal (2022) and PhD Silver Jubilee Scholarship–Govt. of India (2016–2019). Lead book is Black Rice: Research History and Development–Springer (2016). As a lead researcher, proposed and helped to release Khumal-12, Khumal-14, Khumal Basmati-16 and Khumal-18 rice varieties for hills of the country through NARC.

81. Uma Shankar Shah

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25-Aug-2019

Institutional members

Karma and Sons Traders Private Limited

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-IM-01/2025



Established date: 5 August 2001

Affiliated organization: Karma Group of Companies

Type of organization: Trading Company - Agriculture inputs

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Working areas, objectives and contributions:

Founded in 2001, Karma & Sons Trading Pvt. Ltd. was established as a specialized seed import and trading company with the mission to introduce high-performing varieties of cereals, vegetables, fruits, and flower seeds to the Nepalese market. To ensure agronomic suitability and performance, the company operates its own Research & Development (R&D) stations, where new pipeline varieties undergo rigorous multi-location testing and evaluation before commercial release. In partnership with its sister concern, Karma International Seeds Co. Pvt. Ltd., the company possesses extensive expertise in F1 hybrid rice seed production within the Terai agro-climatic zones of Nepal. Building on this success, the company has initiated hybrid maize seed production trials from 2025, aiming to expand domestic production capabilities. The core objective of Karma & Sons Traders is to enhance farm-level productivity through the reliable supply of high-quality seeds in the Nepalese Agri-Market to help farmers grow more. The company holds a substantial market share, supplying over 25% of Nepal's hybrid maize seed requirement and more than 5% of its hybrid rice seed requirement. Its contribution is particularly significant in the vegetable seed segment, where it supplies a major portion of the national demand. Through strategic alliances with renowned international breeding partners, Karma & Sons has the unique capacity to introduce climate-smart, biotic and abiotic stress-resistant crop varieties. These varieties are specifically selected to meet the demands of Nepalese farmers and consumers, as well as to align with the national agricultural priorities set by the Government of Nepal.

Sean Seed Service Centre LTD

ID/Year: PBaGSoN-IM-02/2025



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Affiliated organization: Office of Company Registrar

Type of organization: Limited Company

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Working areas, objectives and contributions:

1. Working areas

SEAN Seed Service Centre Ltd. works primarily in the seed sector of Nepal, focusing on research, production, and distribution of high-quality seeds. Its core areas include hybrid vegetable seed production, seed quality control through contract-based seed production with farmers across different regions, strict field inspection and advanced post-harvest handling. The company also collaborates with national bodies like NARC and SQCC and international organizations to strengthen seed technology, market expansion, and public-private partnerships.

2. Objectives

The main objectives of SSSC are to:


- Develop and commercialize quality hybrid and open-pollinated seeds in Nepal.
- Reduce the country's dependence on seed imports and promote seed exports.
- Strengthen the seed industry through research, innovation, and technology transfer.
- Establish trustworthy networks among farmers, private companies, and public institutions.
- Promote commercial seed production as a profitable enterprise for both farmers and the company.

3. Contributions

SEAN Seed Service Centre Ltd. has made significant contributions to the **growth and development of Nepal's seed industry**. It has:

- Pioneered the vegetable seed processing and packaging in Nepal.
- Pioneered **hybrid seed production technology of tomato and maize** in Nepal through public-private partnerships.
- Provided farmers with **locally adapted, disease-resistant, and high-quality seeds of publicly released improved and hybrid varieties**, improving food security and farm profitability.
- Helped reduce Nepal's dependency on imported seeds by promoting **domestic production**.
- Created **employment opportunities** for seed growers, technicians, and women workers in seed processing and packaging.
- Strengthened the seed value chain by linking **research institutions, seed producers, and markets** at national and international levels.
- Contributed to **capacity building** by training farmers and technicians in modern seed production, value addition and marketing practices.








Founder members



PBaGSoN, 5688
2076/04/30

Ad-hoc Executive Committee of PBaGSoN 2019
Plant Breeding and Genetics Society of Nepal

Founder member formed during Plant Breeders' Seminar and Plant Breeders' Meet on 2074/09/12

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Date formed: 2074/09/12 BS

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Advisory Committee of PBaGSoN, formed at 11 Feb 2024



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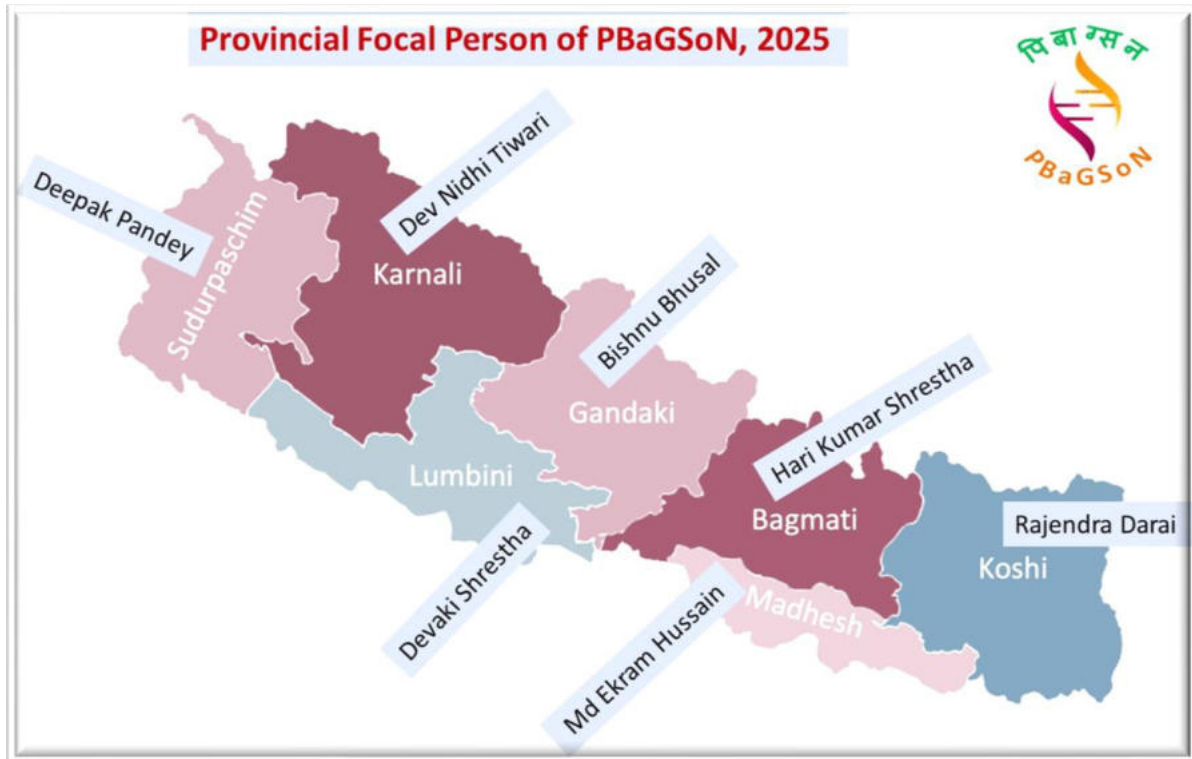
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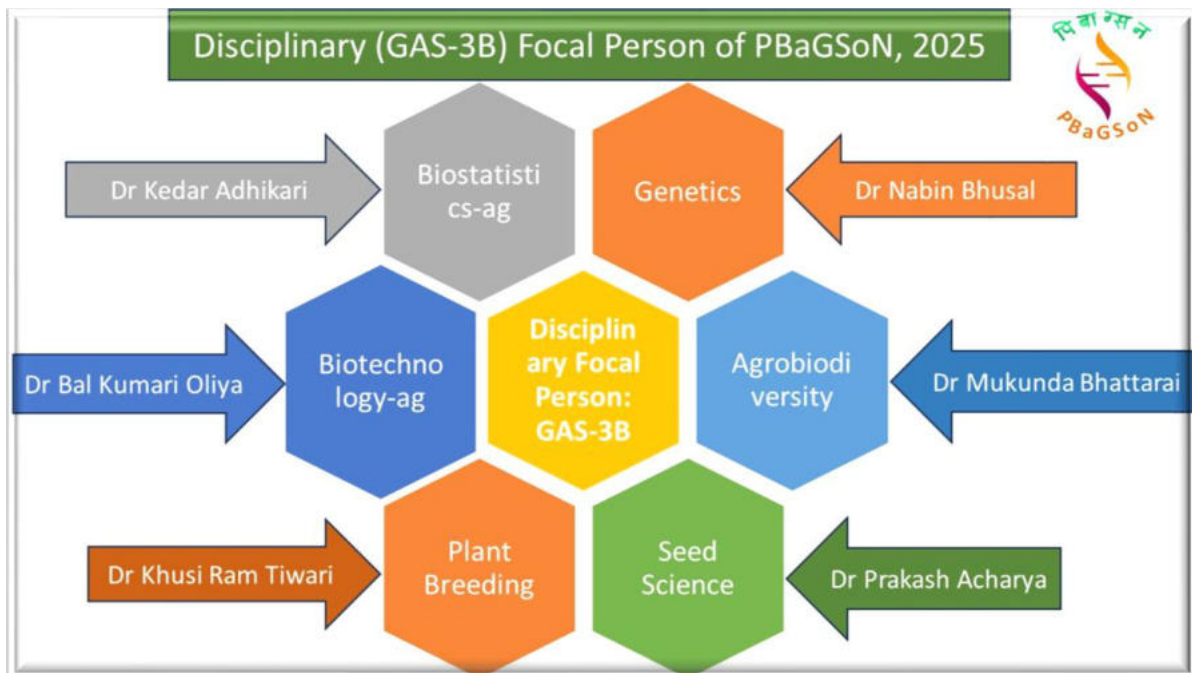
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Rs 50,000/ for breeder award
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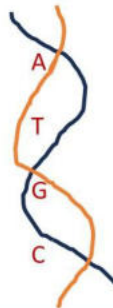


Karma & Sons
Traders Pvt. Ltd.

Awardees and felicitated members/ experts

Felicitated Young Breeders Awardees: Dr Bal Kumari Oliya and Dr Ujjawal KS Kushwaha

नेपाल विज्ञान तथा प्रविधि प्रज्ञा-प्रतिष्ठान (NAST) बाट यस बर्षको विज्ञान तथा प्रविधि युवा पुरस्कार प्राप्त गर्न सफल, यस पिबागसन को आजीवन सदस्य डा. बाल कुमारी ओलीय लाई धेरै धेरै बधाई.. र कृषि बिज्ञान लाई थप योगदान हुने विश्वास..



The farmers, brothers, and sisters (by CREASION Nepal in collaboration with Hariban Municipality) honored Dr. Ujjawal KS Kushwaha



Exemplary Service Recognition:
Dr Ujjawal KS Kushwaha

AD Scientific Index 2025

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177,911

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