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Editors' Summary

This issue centralized news on flood and landslide, ravaging normal life of Far-west people. Add to this, climate change created habitat loss of birds which suggest rethinking conservation on the ground. The campaign launched looks good with environment conservation through carbon reduction, indeed impressive. Also, program integrating Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction no wonder provide resilience towards climate shocks and that is much needed.

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Flood and landslides wreak havoc

Flood and landslides triggered by heavy monsoon rainfall crippled normal life in various district in the Far West of the country. Several settlements in Kailali, Kanchanpur and Dadeldhura districts have been inundated due to heavy rains and the swollen Mahakali River has swept away over a dozen houses. Similarly, landslides triggered by heavy rainfall in Rukum, Sindhuli, Salyan and Jajarkot caused human casualties and property loss.

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The Kathmandu Post, The Rising Nepal

Carbon Reduction Campaign

The plantation campaign initiated by an organization *Eco Party and Paryabaran Culture Development* involved local residents from Pumdibhumdi, Kaski district where they had planted saplings of herbal plants like *Cinnamomum camphora* (Kapoor), *Terminalia chebula* (Harro), *Terminalia bellerica* (Barro), *Juniperus recurva* (Dhupi), *Asparagus recemosus* (Kurilo), *Cinnamomum tamala* (Tejpatta) and *Elaeocarpus ganitrus* (Rudraksha) in an area of 10 ha aiming to reduce the level of carbon dioxide in the environment.

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Kantipur

Attention towards DRR and climate change adaptation

A program National Sharing Meeting on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation was organized by the Concern Universal- Bangladesh in Kathmandu. Addressing the meeting the then Minister for Environment, Mr. Sunil K. Manandhar said that the human behavior must be changed in order to reduce and mitigate the climate change impacts.

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Gorkhapatra, The Rising Nepal

Funding Opportunity for Nepalese Graduate Students

The Livestock-Climate Change CRSP announces a new funding opportunity designed to build scientific capacity in Nepal: the International Graduate Student Fellowship Program-Nepal (IGSFP-Nepal). Awards will be given to both M.S. and Ph.D. students through their host institutions, pending available funds, with the majority for M.S. students studying in their home country or region. Ph.D. awards may also be given for study in the home country, region, or in the U.S. Selected fellows must be students from Nepal in order to build capacity in this country.

Deadline: 30 September 2011, 5:00 PM Mountain Time.

For details and instructions, visit: <http://lcccrsp.org/funding-opportunities/igsfp-nepal/>

Birds' habitats at risk

Addressing the Bird Watching Tourism Training Program, expert indicated that the habitats of birds are at risk due to climate change. According to the recent research conducted by Birds Conservation Nepal (BCN), *Kalikanthe Saras* and *Tilhari* bird have already been migrated.

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Kantipur*