



Provisional Agenda

International Scientific Committee (ISC)

UNESCO/Japanese Funds-in-Trust for Strengthening the Conservation and Management of Lumbini, the birthplace of Lord Buddha

Buddha Maya Garden Hotel, Lumbini, Nepal, 19 to 21 April 2016

19 April 2016

1. Opening

- 11:30 - 11:40 Welcome Remarks
Irina Bokova
UNESCO Director-General
- 11:40 - 11:45 Remarks
Ven. Nigrodha
Vice Chair, Lumbini Development Trust
- 11:45 - 11:50 Remarks
Kiyohiko Hamada
First Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Nepal
- 11:50 - 11:55 Remarks
Hon. Mr Ananda Prasad Pokharel
Minister, Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation

11:55 – 13:00 Lunch

ISC meeting chaired by Yukio Nishimura, Team Leader, Advisor on Planning

2. Adoption of agenda

13:00 – 13:05 Adoption of agenda

3. Initiatives by the Lumbini Development Trust and the Department of Archaeology

- 13:05 – 13:20 Recent developments in the Greater Lumbini Area
Lumbini Development Trust
- 13:20 – 13:35 Research, protection and conservation of the archaeological sites and monument in Greater Lumbini Area
Department of Archaeology
- 13:35 – 13:50 Q & A

4. Reports by UNESCO

13.50 – 14.05 World Heritage Committee recent decisions for Lumbini
Roland Lin Chih-Hung, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO

14:05 - 14:15 Report on project implementation
Nabha Basnyat Thapa, Project Coordinator, UNESCO
Office in Kathmandu

5. Review of activities and Implementation Plan for 2016 – 2017

14:15 - 15:00 Review and implementation plan of the activities related to the conservation of archaeological remains in Lumbini
Claudio Margottini and Paolo Pagnin, Advisors for Conservation

15:00 - 15:15 Q & A

15:15 – 15:30 Tea

15:30 - 16:15 Review and implementation plan of the activities related to mapping heritage sites in the Greater Lumbini Area and planning of Tilaurakot and Ramagrama
Yukio Nishimura, Tokyo University, Japan, Advisor on Planning

16:15 – 16:30 Q & A

16:30 - 17:15 Review and implementation plan of the activities related to the archaeological investigation in Tilaurakot
Robin Coningham, Durham University, UK, Advisor for Archaeology

17:15 - 17:30 Q & A

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6. Environmental initiatives

9:00 – 9:15 Projects and activities in Lumbini
Rajendra N Suwal, Deputy Director, WWF Nepal

9:15 – 9:30 Air quality measurement campaign and its findings in Lumbini
Sudan Panthi, National Professional Officer, Environmental Health, WHO Nepal

9:30 – 9:45 Air quality observatory in Lumbini and its objectives
Arnico Panday, Senior Atmospheric Scientist, Atmosphere Initiative, ICIMOD

9:45 – 10:00 Birds on the farmland: Large waterbird ecology and requirements in Rupandehi and Kapilbastu districts, Nepal
K.S. Gopi Sundar, Director, International Crane Foundation

10:00 – 10:15 Q & A

7. Needs of religious community

10:15 – 10:30 Jigdol Lama, President, Nepal Bauddha Association

10:30 – 10:45 H.H. Sangpa Rinpoche, President, Dharmodaya Sabha, Buddha Vihar

10:45 – 11:00 Ven Huyen Dieu, Vietnam Buddhist Monastery, Lumbini

11:00 – 11:15 Q & A

11:15 – 11:30 *Tea*

8. Various Lumbini-related efforts by the Government of Nepal

- 11:30 – 11:45 Suman Salike, Divisional Engineer, Ministry of Urban Development
- 11:45 – 12:00 Chabi Risal, Under Secretary, Ministry of Local Development
- 12:00 – 12:15 Bhisnu Prasad Dhakal, Chief District Officer, District Administration Office, Rupandehi
- 12:15 – 12:30 Indu Ghimire, Chief District Officer, District Administration Office, Kapilvastu
- 12:30 – 12:45 Mahadev Panth, District Administration Office, Nawalparasi
- 12:45 – 13:00 Q & A

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*

9. Discussion on third phase of the project

- 14:00 – 14:30 Introduction
Robin Coningham and Yukio Nishimura
- 14:30 – 15:30 Discussion

10. Date and place of the third ISC meeting (2016)

- 15:30 – 15:35 Date and place of the third ISC meeting (2017)

11. Closure

- 15:35 – 15:40 Closure
Yukio Nishimura, ISC Chair

15:40 – 16:00 *Tea*

16:00 – 18:00 **Project Steering Committee Meeting**

Participants: Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation,
Department of Archaeology, Lumbini Development Trust
and UNESCO

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8:30 to 14:00 **Site Visits to the Sacred Garden of Lumbini and Tilaurakot (tour guided by Robin Coningham, Durham University, UK, Advisor on Archaeology)**

14:00 to 15:00 *Lunch at Buddha Maya Garden Hotel, Lumbini*



Provisional List of participants

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Ministry of Culture, Tourism & Civil Aviation, Nepal

1. Honorable Mr Ananda Prasad Pokharel, Minister

Department of Archaeology, Nepal

2. Mr Bhesh Narayan Dahal, Director General
3. Mr Suresh Suras Shrestha, Chief of World Heritage Section
4. Mr Ram Bahadur Kunwar, Chief of Archaeological Section

Lumbini Development Trust, Nepal

5. Venerable Siddhartha Maharjan, Vice Chair
6. Mr Ajit Man Tamang, Member Secretary
7. Mr Iman Singh Muktan, Project Chief
8. Mr Gyanin Rai, Senior Administrative Officer
9. Mr Saroj Bhattarai, Senior Engineer
10. Mr Himal Uprety, Archaeological Officer
11. Mr Krishna K. C., Archaeological Office
12. Mr Hari Rai, Public Relation Officer
13. Mr. Dhurwa Narayan Pandey, Museum Officer

Donor / Embassy of Japan in Nepal

14. Mr Kiyohiko Hamada, First Secretary (Information & Culture)

International Experts Team

15. Mr Yukio Nishimura, Advisor on Planning
16. Mr Robin Coningham, Advisor for Archaeology
17. Mr Claudio Margottini, Advisor for Conservation
18. Mr Paolo Pagnin, Advisor for Conservation

UNESCO

19. Ms Irina Bokova, Director-General, UNESCO
20. Mr Christian Manhart, UNESCO Representative to Nepal; Head of UNESCO Kathmandu
21. Mr Roland LIN Chih-Hung, World Heritage Centre, UNESCO
22. Ms Nabha Basnyat Thapa, Project Coordinator, UNESCO Kathmandu Office
23. Ms Sujata Khanal, Project Assistant, UNESCO Kathmandu Office

Others invited

24. Mr Bhisnu Prasad Dhakal, Chief District Officer, District Administration Office, Rupandehi

25. Ms Indu Ghimire, Chief District Officer, District Administration Office, Kapilvastu
26. Mr Mahadev Panth, District Administration Office, Nawalparasi
27. Mr Yuvaraj Subedi, Local Development Officer, Rupandehi
28. Mr Chandrakanta Neupane, Local Development Officer, Kapilvastu
29. Mr Lal Prasad Sharma Paudel, Local Development Officer, Nawalparasi,
30. Mr Harijan Prasad, Lumbini Cultural Municipality
31. Mr Niran Bhattarai, Executive Officer, Kapilvastu Municipality, Kapilvastu
32. Mr Naresh Man Bajracharya, Vice Chancellor, Lumbini Buddhist University
33. Mr Suman Salike, Divisional Engineer, Ministry of Urban Development
34. Mr Chhabi Rijal, Under Secretary, Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development
35. Mr Manoj Aryal, Environment Inspector, Department of Environment
36. H. H. Sangpa Rinpoche, President, Dharmodaya Sabha, Buddha Vihar
37. Mr Jigdol Lama, President, Nepal Bauddha Association
38. Ven Huyen Dieu, Vietnam Buddhist Monastery, Lumbini
39. Mr Bikram Pandey, Goodwill Ambassador of LDT
40. Mr Kosh Prasad Acharya, Senior Archaeologist, UNESCO Consultant
41. Mr Basanta Bidari, Senior Archaeologist, UNESCO Consultant
42. Ms Tomoko Mori, Research Fellow, University of Tokyo
43. Mr Taketami Kurose, Research Fellow, University of Tokyo
44. Mr Arnico Pandey, Programme Coordinator, Atmosphere Initiative, ICIMOD
45. Mr Sudan Panthi, National Professional Officer, Environmental Health, WHO Nepal
46. Mr K.S. Gopi Sundar, Director, International Crane Foundation
47. Mr Rajendra N Suwal, Deputy Director, Program Development and Monitoring, WWF
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