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- Our Life Member Prof. Govinda K.C. and NMA was able to come to a seven point agreement with the Government of Nepal regarding the issues by Prof. Dr. Govinda K.C. during his hunger strike.
- February 5, 2014: NMA organized a interaction with Doctors of Biratnagar in issue of "Elephantiasis and its elimination".
- February 7, 2014: NMA organized a interaction program with Doctors of Nepalgunj in issue of "Elephantiasis and its elimination".
- February 22, 2014: NMA organized interaction program in its central office with presence of 100 doctors regarding the issue of "Elephantiasis and its elimination".
- April 21, 2014: We received \$2000 worth Journals from WHO Office, Nepal to establish NMA Library.
- April 30, 2014: The older Journals of NMA, which were dispatched to WHO Offce, New Delhi were received in digitized format.
- For the construction of NMA Building, Danfe/Pratistha/ Munna, and Acharya J. V were selected as per the announced tender for construction.
- May 30, 2014: Dr. Pravin Mishra, Secretary, MOHP inaugurated NMA building.
- June 15, 2014: The NMA Life Members from "Federalist Republic" Party, who were appointed in Constitution Assembly were awarded.
- July 25, 2014: The data (as provided to NMA) of all doctors in Nepal were updated in our Doctors Directory software.
- 11. After the appointment of executive body, till date we have 375 Life Members and 4985 members of NMA.
- 12. July 26, 2014: Budget 2071/72 was approved by NMA Council Meeting.
- July 30, 2014: His honorary Minister of Health and Population Ministry was sent letter addressing issues for implementation of agreement between Government of Nepal and NMA.
- August, 2014: NMA was able to receive approval letter for "Quality of care for mother, babies and children in referral hospital Research" from NHRC and Family Planning Division.

- August 26, 2014: Health Professional Protection Act 2066 and Bylaws 2079 were published in NMA website and other official social media sites for easy access and public knowledge.
- 16. September 11, 2014: As per the discussion with Health and Population Ministry, Central Bureau of Statistics, Nepal Medical Council, and WHO Office (Nepal), NMA sent revised data collection forms for fill-up to all the doctors in Nepal, through various social media sites.
- 17. NMA were able to convince the Public Service Commission office to increase the number of seats for doctors in 9th and 10th level under provision of MOHP.
- NMA had presented proposal about "Medical Ethics" to WHO office, Nepal for financial support.
- October 27, 2014: NMA executive Committee appointed Medical Education Committee for CPD program. Additionally, NMA circulated information in fourteen of its branches for implementation of CPD program.
- 20. November 7, 2014: "Quality of care for mother, babies and children in referral hospital research" was conducted and completed in Koshi Zonal Hospital (Biratnagar),Nobel Medical College (Biratnagar),Narayani Sub-Regional Hospital (Birgunj),National Medical College (Birgunj), Seti Zonal Hospital (Dhangadi), Bheri Zonal Hospital (Nepalgunj), Nepalgunj Medical College (Banke), Lumbini Zonal Hospital (Butwal),Universal Medical College (Bhairahawa), and Gandaki Medical College (Pokhara).
- November 7, 2014: NMA Executive Committee and NMA Gandaki Branch Committee had a joint meeting and a Press Release was released afterward.
- November 21, 2014: NMA Mathura Ratna Scholarship fund organized get together party for MathuRatna Scholarship Holders, NMA Former President, Former General Secretary and Renowned Doctors from Nepal in Yak Party Palace, Kupondole.
- November 23, 2014: NMA organized an event in celebration of successful Heart Transplant by Dr. Kumud Dhital and honored him for his success.
- 24. December 20, 2014: NMA Executive Committee had a discussion with Directors of Kathmandu Valley Hospitals and Representatives of Specialty Societies on topics: Medical Education system in Nepal, and Data collection of Doctors in Nepal.

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- March 7, 2015: Meeting was held with Directors of various Hospitals in Kathmandu Valley, Representative of Specialty hospitals, Dean of Medical Colleges and other renowned doctors of Nepal in regards to medical education system and skilled manpower.
- March 9, 2015: As per the outcome of meeting on "Medical Education system and Skilled manpower", NMA sent its suggestions to National Health Profession Education Policy Commission.
- 3. In the month of April various regions of Nepal were hit by the massive earthquake. The need for medical assistance, equipments and relief materials were in high demand. Thus, NMA did their best to minimize the catastrophic effects of the disaster by providing relief materials, services and by organizing numerous medical health camps.
- June 12, 2015: NMA together with support from AMDA International and Psychiatric Association of Nepal decided to organize a Psychosocial Counseling Training Program for earthquake affected regions. This training was first conducted in Dhading District in June 13-14, 2014.
- June 20, 2015: An internal interaction program was organized by NMA addressing issues of "Health System and Structure in Federalism System of Nepal."
- 6. July 4-5, 2015: Post Earthquake Psychosocial Support and Counseling was organized in Dhulikhel, Kavre.
- 7. July 11, 2015: Budget 2072/73 was approved by NMA Council Committee Meeting.
- 8. July 21, 2015: NMA had organized interaction program entitled "Position of Doctors under the Draft Constitution of Nepal" with participation of all the valley directors, specialty societies, representatives and other renowned doctors. The meeting had decided to submit issue related to "Formation of constitutional body for implementation of Medical Service and Education System, and Inclusion of it in Constitution of Nepal" to Honorable Speaker, Honorable Prime Minister, and Honorable Health Minister of Nepal.

- July 24-25, 2015: Post Earthquake Psychosocial Support and Counseling was organized in Bhaktapur.
- 10. October 3, 2015: The Committee meeting proposed to organize 27th ANEMECON in Dharan.
- October 3, 2015: NMA Executive Committee proposed to include President Dr. Shigeru Suganami, Vice-President Dr. Alvin Y.S. Chan, Confederation of Medical Associations in Asia & Oceania, and President Dr. A Martanda Pillai, Indian Medical Association to Honorary Member of NMA.
- 12. December 5, 2015: NMA Executive Committee decided to send Invitation letter for Participation for 27th ANEMECON to World Medical Association, Confederation of Medial Associations in Asia and Oceania (CMAAO), AMDA International, Indian Medical Association, China Medical Association, Hong Kong Medical Association, Taiwan Medical Association, Japan Medical Association, Myanmar Medical Association, Sri Lanka Medical Association, Pakistan Medical Association, Philippines Medical Association, Singapore Medical Association and other International Medical Associations.
- 13. For the Election 2072-2075, NMA Executive committee proposed to appoint Dr. Dhana Bahadur RanaMagar as Chief Election Officer, and Dr. Naveen Paudel and Dr. Prashant Bhatta as Election Officers.
- 14. 27th All Nepal Medical Conference (ANEMECON- 27) to be held on 20-22, April,2016 was postponed to 10-12 November,2016 in Dharan, Nepal, due to unavoidable circumstances. The venue for the conference is same and the theme is "Fundamental Health Rights: Ensuring the Implementation."

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