

WORKSHOP

**Debating Development in South Asia: Revisiting Dor B. Bista's
*Fatalism and Development 25 Years Later***

Organizers

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Date: Thursday, 29 December 2016 [14 Pus 2073]

Venue: Martin Chautari Seminar Hall, Thapathali, Kathmandu

Program Schedule

9.00 Tea/Registration

9.30 Opening of the workshop

1) Welcome: Dr Dev Pathak, SAU (5 minutes)

2) Welcome: Prof Laya Uprety, CDA (5 minutes)

10.00 First Session; Chair – Laya Uprety, CDA

Paper 1) *The Dynamics of Representing Nepal's Struggle for Modernization: From Consensus to Cleavage*

– Pranab Kharel/Gaurab KC, Kathmandu School of Law (20 minutes)

– Pratyoush Onta, MC, Discussant (10 minutes)

Paper 2) *A Critique of Fatalism and Development and Its Paradoxical Reception*

– Chudamani Basnet, SAU (20 minutes)

– Suresh Dhakal, CDA, Discussant (10 minutes)

Paper 3) *The Legacy of Fatalism & Development: A Symbolic Analysis*

– Sam Williams, formerly with TU, (20 minutes)

– Tina Shrestha, Asia Research Institute, Discussant (10 minutes)

Open discussion

12.30-13.30 LUNCH

13.30 Second Session; Chair – Seira Tamang, MC

Paper 4) *Fatalism and Beyond: Dor Bahadur Bista Revisited*

– Mukta Tamang, CDA (20 minutes)

– Sanjeev Pokharel, CDA, Discussant (10 minutes)

Paper 5) *Beyond Fantasy of Fatalism: Introspective Queries on Hindus of Nepal*

– Dev Pathak, SAU (20 minutes)

– Avash Bhandari, TU, Discussant (10 minutes)

Paper 6) *Fatalism as a Colonial Metaphor*

– Bed P Giri, Dartmouth College (20 minutes)

Open discussion

15.45 TEA/END