

**Biography**

Mr. Deepak Chandra Bhatt is an Assistant Professor of Rural Development at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Far-western University Central Campus, Mahendranagar, Nepal. He is in the final stage of his PhD research on Nepal-India Migration from Tribhuvan University, Nepal. Mr. Bhatt has a Master's degree in Rural Development, Postgraduate degree in Education and Bachelor's Degree in Science. He also has experience of working in different I/NGOs for a decade before joining the university in the year 2072BS. Mr. Bhatt has a good knowledge about rural poverty and the livelihood of communities. He is working in the field of migration especially focused on the migration between India and Nepal. The area of his interest is rural development, sustainable development, environment and development, and community development. He has attended various national and international trainings/workshops, seminars relevant with the research, development, and education sector. He has published a dozen of publications in the area of migration and development. Likewise, he has presented various papers in the national and international forum. Currently, he is a President of Far Western University Teachers’ Association (FWUTA).

***Academic Paper/Book Publication***

Bhatt, D.C. & Joshi, M. (2022). Rural –Urban Interrelationship. Kathmandu: Dreamland Publication

Bhatt, D.C. (2021). Struggle of Nepalese Migrants during Covid-19 Pandemic and Beyond. *Universe International Journal of Interdisciplinary Research (UIJIR), 01*(12), 76-83. DOI No. 08-2020-25662434.

Bhatt, D.C. & Shahi, M. (2021). Development: Approaches, Planning and Practices. Kathmandu: Dreamland Publication

Bhatt, D. C. (2019).Socio-economic Status of Missing Migrants Families in Sudurpachhim Pradesh, Nepal. *ANUSANDHAN VATIKA (A Quarterly Inter-Disciplinary Research Journal of Human Existence, VIII* **(3)**, 1951-1962.

Bhatt, D.C. (2019). Missing Migrants and their families in Sudurpaschim Province. *AMC Journal*, *2***(2)**, (68-77).

Bhatt, D. C. (2018). *Socio-economic Status of Missing Migrants Families, a case study of Doti and Kanchanpur districts.* Kanchanpur: NEEDS Nepal.

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Bhatt, D.C. (2018).Socio-Economic Scenario of Tharu Women in Kanchanpur. *Scholar's Journal*, *1****(*1**), (53-64).

Bhatt, D. C. (2017). *Status of migrants towards India, a research report of missing migrants and their family of Doti, Achham and Kanchanpur districts.* Kanchanpur: NEEDS Nepal.

Bhatt, D. C. (2017). *Socio-economic scenario of India migration and their family, a base line survey of Doti and Kanchanpur districts,* Kanchanpur: NEEDS Nepal.

Bhatt, D. C. (2017). *Socio-economic status of Returnee Migrants: A case study of Far-Western Nepal.* A mini research report submitted to Office of Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Far Western University.

Bhatt, D. C. (2016). Far western Development Region: Opportunity and Challenges.*ANWESHAN, A Research Journal, 3*, (145-152).

Bhatt, D.C. (2015). Socio-Economic dimension of Migration in Far western Nepal. *Nepalese Journal of Development and Rural Studies, 12***(1&2)**, 23-32.

Bhatt, D.C. (2013). Effectiveness on Economic Development Planning in Absence of Elected Representatives. *Nepalese Journal of Development and Rural Studies, 9***(2)** and *10* **(1)**, 1-9.

Bhatt, D. C. (2012). ***Cooperative and Social Mobilization***. Kathmandu: Sunlight Publication Kritipur.

Bhatt, D. C. (2009**).**Push and Pull Factors and Condition of Child Labour in Hotel and Restaurant: A Scenario of Mahendranagar City, Far-western Nepal. *Nepalese Journal of Development and Rural Studies, 6***(2)**, (11-22).

***Paper Presentation (National and International Forum)***

* “Characteristics of Labour-Migrants between Nepal and India” at the 19th Nepal Study Days organized by the Britain-Nepal Academic Council (BNAC) and hosted by the University of Oxford, by Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology with Centre for Nepal Studies UK dated on 14 April 2022.
* “Diversity on Tourism Products in Sudurpachhim Province" in FarWest Travel Mart 2022 Program organized by Nepal Tourism Board and other stakeholders (8 April 2022).
* "Civic Participation in Local Government's Law-Making Process in Sudurpachhim Province", among the government officials, elected representative of local government, NGO personnel and other stakeholders, organized by NGO Federation on Nepal (2 April 2022, Dhangadhi).
* "Conceptual/Theoretical Framework in Research", organized by Nepal University Teachers' Association (NUTA) and University Grant Commission (UGC), Nepal dated on 31 October 2021 (KMC, Dhangadhi Kailali).
* "Indo-Nepal Migration Special Focus on Youth Migration and Impact of Covid-19 on Resilience", organized by Association of Community Radio Broadcasters Nepal (ACROB) on 12 August 2021.
* "Situation of Migrant Workers between Nepal and India during COVID-19 (Focus on Migration Process in Sudurpachhim Province), organized by NRNA (The Second NRN Global Knowledge Convention (S11. Social Sciences) on 12 October 2020.
* "Scenario of Indo-Nepal Labour Migration During COVID-19 (Migration Process)" organized by BA Heritage, Dignity and Violence Programme/School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography, Oxford University (UK).
* "Indians in Nepal as a Labour Migrants" in Panel 74 "Reflexive Migration Studies Paper Session 2" (July 2, 2020) in IMISOCE Conference, Luxembourg.
* "Covid-19 and its Effect on Migration: Special Focus on Indo-Nepal Labour Migration", organized by Nepal National Teachers' Association (NNTA), District Committee Routahat, Nepal (May 26, 2020).
* Views Sharing on the AP1 Television: News on the issue of India Migration (September 10, 2020).
* Views Sharing (as a speaker/subject expert) on the talk program "Role of Province Government on COVID-19 and its Impact on Foreign Employment", organized by National Network of Safe Migration (NNSM), Kathmandu (September 5, 2020).
* Views Sharing (as a speaker/subject expert)) on the Issue of COVID (during and post) and its impact on socio-economic sector special focus on returnee migrants (April 30, 2020), an international webinar organized by Scholars' Association of Nepal.
* One Day Interaction Program "Humanities and Social Sciences and Its scope", organized by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Far-western University Central Campus Mahendranagar Nepal on 30 August 2019.
* One Day National Level Interaction Program among federal members of parliament, concerning ministries of Government of Nepal, non-government authorities and other stakeholders "Issues / Problems of India Labour Migration and its Solution", organized by NNSM/NEEDS Nepal/AWO International at Kathmandu on 9 July 2019
* "Introduction of APA Method: Citations and References" conducted on 19 April 2019 organized by Scholar association Nepal and Kailali Multiple Campus Dhangadhi.
* Paper presented on “Problems in University Central Campus with their Solution and Future Direction- One Day Interaction Programme", organized by Far-western University Teacher’s Association (FWUTA), Central Campus Unit, Mahendranagar on 22 March 2019.
* "Socio-economic Status of Missing Migrants' Families in Sudurpaschim Pradesh, Nepal", A seminar paper in partial fulfillment of the requirement for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Rural Development organized by Central Department of Rural Development/Office of Dean, T.U on 4 Jan 2019.
* "Status of India Migration (Foreign Employment) in Far-western Nepal" organized by NEEDS Nepal at Mahendranagar on 04 Sep 2018.
* "Status of Labour Migration and Its Impact on Livelihood” on 5 August 2018 Organized by NEEDS Nepal and Bhimdatt Municipality Kanchanpur.
* One Day Interaction Program on the “Safer Migration and Human Trafficking Control”: Analysis of Doti, Achham and Kanchanpur districts at different rural/municipalities level organized by NEEDS Nepal on different dates of (July-Aug), 2018.

***Research and Consultancy***

* Associate Researcher (With Principal Investigator Prof. Dr. Govind Subedi) "Situation of India Migration," National Human Right Commission (NHRC) Central Office Kathmandu (Falgun, 2078-Ashad, 2079)
* Researcher, "Civic Participation in Local Government's Law-Making Process in Sudurpachhim Province" and report submitted to NGO Federation of Nepal (Jan 2022).
* Development of 'Safeguarding Policy-2078', NEEDS Nepal Kanchanpur
* Baseline survey for the project "Enhancing Safe Labour Migration through Capacity Strengthening the Targeted Beneficiaries of Doti and Kanchanpur districts", NEEDS Nepal, Dec. 2020.
* Protection and Promotion Rights of Migrant Workers and Human Trafficking Survivors Enhancing Access to Social Services: An End line survey report conducted with NEEDS Nepal Kanchanpur, (Nov-Dec), 2019.
* Socio-economic status of Missing Migrants and their families, a case study of far-western region, research conducted with the NEEDS Nepal Kanchanpur, June 2018.
* Protection and Promotion Rights of Migrant Workers and Human Trafficking Survivors Enhancing Access to Social Services: A Base line survey report conducted with NEEDS Nepal Kanchanpur, (Aug-Sep), 2017.
* "Status of missing, potential and returnee migrant workers in India and their family" Research conducted in coordination with NEEDS Nepal Kanchanpur, 2016.
* 'Socio-economic status of Returnee migrants, a case study of far western region', this study was conducted for fulfillment of mini research on Faculty of Humanities and Social Science, Far western University Nepal, 2016.
* MA Dissertation on “Effectiveness on Local Development planning in the absence of Elected Political Representatives: A case study in Kailali District” (2005). (Partial financial supported by DFDP, UN)
* Master Degree research project, Impact on Health and Security of Child Labor in Hotel and Restaurant: A case study of Mahendranagar Municipality,” (2005) under the fellowship grant supported by OSHP, Nepal Government, Ministry of Labour and Transport. (AWARD, Fellowship)

## *International Conference/Webinar/Workshop*

* “19th Nepal Study days” on (13-14) April 2022 organized by the Britain-Nepal Academic Council (BNAC) and hosted by the University of Oxford, by Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology with Centre for Nepal Studies UK.
* 3 Days Workshop on 'Research Methodology Training' organized by Nepal University Teachers' Association (NUTA) and supported by University Grant Commission (UGC), Nepal dated on (30 Oct-1Nov., 2021) held at Kailali Multiple Campus, Dhangadhi.
* Interaction Program among University Academia and Members of Civil Society, conducted by Sanjibani Nepal and FHI 360 dated on 19 August 2021.
* Programme "Introduction to Systematic Reviews" organized by Oxford University on 19 Oct 2020.
* 3 days "2nd NRN Global Knowledge Convention 2020", organized by NRNA (09-11, Oct 2020).
* Coordination Meeting (Zoom) between the authorities of Far-western University and Oxford University to connect and building new relationships with understanding and learning sharing in research activities, held on 26 Sep 2020.
* "3rd International Annual IZA/World Bank/NJD/UNU-WIDER Jobs and Development" Seminar (September 1-4, 2020).
* Two-week course on "Qualitative Research Methods: Conversational Interviewing" conducted by 'eDx' founded by Harvard and MIT (August 12-26, 2020),
* 17th IMISCOE Annual Conference in Luxembourg, Europe (July 1-2, 2020).
* "International Practices on Safer Mobility during COVID-19 Pandemic", webinar organized by National Road Safety Alliance (June 7, 2020).
* 6 days NELTA Sudurpachhim Virtual International Conference on the theme of "Paradigm Shift/ New avenues in research possibilities, pedagogical practices & Teachers' Wellbeing" (May 13-18, 2020).
* Indo-Nepal Cross Border International Workshop "Mahakali Sambad on Citizen Science Approach in Mahakali Basin", organized by INJAF/TROSA/NEEDS Nepal/ OXFAM/Sweden Sverige (Feb. 2, 2020).
* "Indo-Nepal Coordination Meeting on the issue of Safe Migration and Anti Human Trafficking" organized by NEEDS Nepal in support with ICRC and EU on 28 Dec 2016, Mahendranagar.
* Different National and International Zoom meetings on various events during COVID-19 period.

***National Level Training/Workshop Conducted***

* One day Interaction program on "Collaboration between University and Provincial Government for Research and Development (FWU-SP Province)", organized by FWUTA Central Campus.
* National and International Academic Zoom meetings (Various academic issues and experience sharing on research) during COVID-19 period as a FWUTA President.
* "An interaction program on problems caused in lack of evidence during foreign employment and its Solution" organized by PNCC, Youth Action Nepal and National Network for Safer Migration (NNSM) on 17 Dec 2014, Kathmandu.
* Training related to Agriculture, Cooperative, Advocacy, Leadership, Women Empowerment, Value Chain, SIYB, Business Development System, Human right, Gender Based Violence (GBV), Social Mobilization, Social Inclusive, Disaster Management, Right Base Approach, Business Plan, Bookkeeping, and Saving-Credit etc.

***National Level Training/Workshop Conducted***

* Webinar on "Tomorrow's Higher Education and Our Universities", organized by Progressive University Teachers Association (September 8, 2020).
* 7 days package on Research Methodology organized by Dr. Dil Nath Dangal, Tribhuvan University Kathmandu (September 15-21, 2020).
* 12-hour workshop on Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS), organized by Nepal Mathematical Society (NMS), Sudurpachhim Province (August 5-10, 2020).
* First Virtual Conference organized by Scholars' Association of Nepal on the theme of "Paradigm Shift in Teaching and Researching" (April 25- May 6, 2020).
* "Empowering Teachers through Learning Management System (ETLMS)", organized by Nepal National Teachers' Association (NNTA) District Committee Routhut, Nepal (May 2- June 2, 2020).
* Development of the 25-year Master Plan of Bhimdatt Municipality (Jan. 28-32, 2020)
* "Philosophy, theory, approaches, and academic writing" Research Methodology workshop organized by University Grant Commission and FWU (Nov. 16, 2019).
* "Two Days training on Academic Writing" organized by FWU on (14-15) June 2018.
* Two Days workshop on Paper Development and Exam Management organized Office of the Controller of the Examination, Far-western University on (12-13) June 2018.
* "Two days’ workshop on Strategic plan of NEEDS Nepal, Kanchanpur conducted on (12-13) June 2018.
* "Two Days Workshop on Research Methodology" organized by FWU on (2-3), June 2018.
* Participation on "Two Days Organizational Strategic Planning Workshop" Organized by Care Nepal on (21-22), May 2018.
* "National Workshop on Status of Science and Technology: recent status and future prospects" organized by Ministry of Science and Technology/NAST/Far-western University/Tribhuvan University on 15 Oct 2017.
* "Regional Workshop- HIV/AIDS and Human Right" organized by National Human Right Commission (NHRC) on 19 Apr. 2017.
* National Conference for 20 Years Long term Strategic Planning Organized by National Cooperative Development Board on (27-28), March 2017.
* Interaction Program on 'Economical support provided by FEPB and Access to worker" organized by People forum in support of SAMi project/Helvetas/SWC Nepal on 13 Feb 2015 Kathmandu.
* "Interaction program on Foreign Employment and Safer Migration" on 8 February 2015 jointly organized by District Administration Office, Chitwan and PNCC.
* United Nation's Human Right Council Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Nepal -2015 National Level Workshop (25-30) Jan 2015 organized by JCYCN, Kathmandu Nepal
* Thematic Consultation meeting on Youth Rights and Rights of all migrant workers and members of their families (United Nation, Universal Periodic Review-2015) organized in Kathmandu on 19 Jan 2015
* Project completion sharing program "My Voice, My Right (MVMR)" organized by Association of Youth Organization Nepal (AYON) supported by OXFAM on 13 Dec 2014 Kathmandu.
* Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) training organized by PNCC/Humanity United on (29-30) Nov 2014 at Kathmandu.
* "One day Interaction program on role of stakeholders on the issue of Just Rehabilitation of freed Haliya on 24 Nov 2014.
* "Policy Review workshop (3 days) organized by PNCC Kathmandu (18 -20, Nov. 2014, Nagarkot)
* "Regional Workshop on Safe Labour Migration" fostering regional collaboration to promote and protected the rights of migrant workers organized by DoFE/MoLE/GoN supported by Asia Foundation (22-23) Sept 2014 Kathmandu.
* "Citizens' Initiative for future Nepal-IV" workshop organized by Collective Campaign for Peace (COCAP) in coordination with dozen social organizations, private sector and government of Nepal (18-19) Sept. 2014, Kathmandu.
* 5 days training on Advocacy of Migrant Right organized by PNCC/Humanity United (HU) from 9-13 Aug 2014, Dhulikhel Kathmandu.
* Fourth partners meeting organized by WFP SO Dadeldhura (9-10 May 2013).
* 2 days Protection training organized by WFP Nepal (24-25) April 2013.
* Introductory workshop of UNICEF projects implementing in Doti district organized by DDC Doti and UNICEF (24-25) March 2013.
* Partners review meeting organized by WFP SO (28 Feb 2013)
* "Preliminary Findings from the Impact Evaluation of Cash for Asset Programme” Workshop, organized by WFP Country Office (24-25 Dec 2012).
* II Partners review meeting organized by WFP SO Dadeldhura (7 Dec 2012).
* One day planning workshop for Haliya Rehabilitation and Modality, organized by ILO and Government of Nepal.
* Grant and Compliance training (10-12 June 2012) organized by CARE Nepal.
* Kick-off meeting with newly selected partners of European Union (EU) organized by European Commission (EC). (4-5 April 2012)
* 2 days training on DO NO HARM organized by CARE Nepal (March 2012).
* 5 days TOT on Value chain training participation organized by PAF Nepal (21-25 Jan 2012).
* 5 days (30 Oct-4 Nov 2010) training on Cooperative Development and Management organized by Poverty Alleviation program (PAF).
* 'Safer Migration and communication training' organized by UNIFEM/PNCC/Youth Action Nepal on (6-7) July 2010.
* 3 days training on Good Governance and Participatory Planning training organized by RICOD/Chemonics International/USAID (2009).
* 5 days training on Comprehensive Peace Accord (CPA) organized by CEAPRED/ RICOD/ SAPPROSS/ Chemonics International/USAID (3-8 Jan 2008).
* 3 days (8 -10, July 2005) training on Proposal writing Organized by PARD-Nepal.
* Forth National Conference on Sciences and Technology from March 23 -26,2004 Organized by Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST).

## *Professional Position/experiences*

* Member Secretary/ member of organizing committee, International Conference on Sudurpaschim Studies: Heritage, Innovation and Transformation. Proposed date (12-13) Dec 2022.
* Central Member, Nepal Progressive University Teachers’ Association (NUPTA)-April 2022
* President, Far-Western University Teachers' Association (FWUTA) Central Campus (2019-2022)
* Member of Editorial Board, Far-western Review, Journal of Far-western University.
* Member secretary Subject Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, FWU
* Member of Research Management Cell (RMC), Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
* Editor on "Exploration"- A journal published from Darchula Multiple Campus, FWU
* Peer Reviewer on " Scholars' Journal" –A journal published from Scholar Association of Nepal
* Member of 'Strategy and Planning Development of Far-Western University Nepal'
* Member of 'Strategy and Planning Development/ Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences' Far-Western University Nepal
* Member of Recommendation Committee of different Issues in University, Far Western University
* Deputy Superintendent of Examination (2 years) in Central Campus, Far Western University.

## *Membership*

* Advisor, NEEDS Nepal, Kanchanpur
* Advisor, Ninglashaini Development Society, Mahendranagar
* Founder Member, Barakot Development Society, Kathmandu
* Founder Member of Rural Development Student Society (RuDSS), Kathmandu
* Life Member and Executive Member, Scholars' Association of Nepal, Kanchanpur

 ***Professional Knowledge/Skill***

* Teaching and learning with sound communication skill
* Writing Research and Development work, SPSS as a Quantitative Research Tool…
* Proposal Writing, Report Writing, and Strategy Planning Development
* Good computer skills on word excel power point, email-internet, ZOOM meeting/TEAM/WEBEX
* Facilitation skill of conducting different training/workshop/ orientation and seminars… etc.

## *Languages*

##  English, Nepali, Hindi, Doteli, Tharu and Maithili

**International Visit:** Project monitoring visit in **Qatar** and personal visit in **India.**