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Dear Community Members,

In response to devastating 7.9 magnitude earthquake on April 25, 2015 in Nepal that has taken thousands of lives and caused tremendous loss of properties and historical/cultural landmarks, about 50 community members attended the meeting at 58 Colebrook Drive at 1:30 pm today to discuss ways to assist earthquake victims in Nepal through a relief fund.

Following the interview session CTV and CBC reporters had with few members and an opening remark by Mr. Tara Subedi, the host family for this meeting, the floor was open for general discussion. Various ideas were presented in order to effectively raise donations from individuals, communities, businesses, and organizations in support of the relief effort. The members present in the room managed to immediately raise about \$4,400.

In order to make this initiative effectively and at the same time draw the attention of all walks of people from within and outside our community, all the members supported to form a committee under Nepali Cultural Society of Manitoba (NCSM). It is my pleasure to announce the formation of the following 17 member NCSM committee "Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund Manitoba (NEARFM)".

Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund Manitoba (NEARFM) Committee	
Smrita Rajbhandary (co-chair)	Chitra Pradhan (co-chair)
Ramesh Acharya	Devi P. Adhikari
Tikaram Adhikari	Subas Dahal
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Manika Pradhan	Durga Sharma
Manu Singh	Dil Kumar Subedi
Tara B. Subedi	Ranju Upadhyay
Smriti Kunwar	Netra Kaphle*

*Note: *member added at the first NEARFM committee meeting*

The mandates for the committee are:

- (1) Appeal to individuals, communities, businesses and organizations for donations to support the Earthquake relief effort for Nepal;
- (2) Collect the relief fund collectively and effectively;



- (3) Dispatch all funds collected and that matched by federal and/or provincial government (if applicable) for Nepal Earthquake relief (e.g., water, food, shelter, health services and recovery) through appropriate agency;
- (4) Provide a report with list of donors and financial summary to NCSM for future reference; and,
- (5) If needed, the committee may consider adding one (1) or more members.

I would like to inform all that the committee members and/or designated volunteers may visit your residence for your support in this fund raising campaign. I would like to ensure that your contributions will go to the disaster-stricken Nepal.

No contribution is less and I further appeal to everybody to see how you as a member of this community can assist in this fund raising campaign. Talk to you friends, neighbors, coworkers and even the organizations you are affiliated with to bring everybody onboard and be part of this relief effort.

Thank you very much all the committee members and volunteers who have come forward to make this initiative a success.

Yours Sincerely,

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Purushottam Raj Singh
President
Nepali Cultural Society of Manitoba