

# **MADAN BHANDARI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

## **NREN Team Visit to University April 9, 2023**

### **EVENT REPORT**

Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology (MBUST) has forged partnership with Nepal Research and Education Network (NREN) - a non-government organization - established in Nepal with an aim to promote a research and education network. The network established by NREN is connected with Trans-Eurasia Information Networks (TEIN) and Asia Pacific Advanced Networks (APAN). NREN aims to facilitate research in Nepal by connecting the national research and educational communities to advanced global research and education networks. In the process of building nationwide research and education networks, NREN has already supported a number of higher education institutions. These networks facilitate transfer of vast volume of data and scientific information required for the purpose of research by students, researchers and educational institutions.

The NREN, as one of the organizers of the 55<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Asia Pacific Advanced Network, invited MBUST researchers and administrative staff to the Conference. MBUST invited the NREN team to visit the University facilities at Chitlang on April 9, 2023. The objective of the invitation was to make NREN team acquainted with the progress made by MBUST and to explore the possibilities of further collaboration between the NREN and MBUST. A thirteen-member team from NREN participated in the visit.

The NREN team was welcomed by Prof. Rajendra Dhoj Joshi, President. Prof. Sanjay Nath Khanal and other University staff gave a tour of the University facilities, which included laboratories, solar PV plant installations, graduate program buildings, organic farm (green house, open farm and compost pit), waste water treatment plant and kiwi farm, to the NREN team.

A meeting was held after the site visit. Prof. Rajendra Dhoj Joshi made a presentation on the MBUST. Prof. Joshi thanked the NREN for inviting to APAN conference, which helped the MBUST to network with prominent experts. Mr. Lochan Lal Amatya, Chairperson, NREN Executive Committee briefed about the NREN activities and outlined the scope of collaboration between NREN and MBUST. The NREN team among others offered to design the IT network for the university. It provided comments on the existing design of the IT network for the university shared earlier with NREN. It was agreed to hold further consultations for formulating the areas for collaboration.

## Annex -1: Event Picture Gallery





## Annex -2: Participants

No.	Name
1	Prof. Rajendra Dhoj Joshi, President, MBUST
2	Prof. Suresh Manandhar, Honorary Chair, Artificial Intelligence, MBUST
3	Prof. Sanjay Nath Khanal, MBUST
4	Lochan Lal Amatya, Chairperson, Executive Committee (EC) NREN
5	Dr. Bhushan R. Shrestha, EC Member, NREN
6	Mr. Abhimanyu Pandey, NREN
7	Mr. Subash Sapkota, NREN
8	Mr. Binita Kusum Dhamala, NREN
9	Dr. Kabita Bade Shrestha, NREN
10	Dr. Rajan Parajuli, NREN
11	Mr. Padma Sundar Joshi
12	Mr. Nirajan Parajuli, NREN
13	Mr. Niraj Acharya, NREN
14	Mr. Pavan S. Shakya, NREN
15	Mr. Indiver Badal, NREN
16	Mr. Suresh Dangol, NREN
17	Mr. Shambhu Adhikari, MBUST
18	Dr. Bhusan Shrestha, MBUST
19	Dr. Sabina Shrestha, MBUST
20	Dr. Sudip Pandey, MBUST
21	Dr. Anupama Shrestha, MBUST
22	Dr. Rameshwar Rai, MBUST
23	Mr. Dipesh Singh, MBUST
24	Mr. Sabin Birbal, MBUST
25	Mr. Rabina Shrestha, MBUST
26	Mr. Laxman Khadka, MBUST