Forewords

It gives immense pleasure to put forewords on the 13th issue of the annual publication of Survey Department, 'Nepalese Journal on Geoinformatics'. In capacity of the Director General of the Department, I feel proud to see the journal as a prominent platform that offers an opportunity of exposure to the staff and professionals by sharing their professional and research contributions to the professional community. I wish the Department follows it along with its journey ahead.



I believe, the Department, as the National Mapping Organization (NMO) of the country, has greatly contributed to the mission of nation building since its establishment. Nationwide coverage of cadastre, topographic database, and geodetic control network are the greatest achievements so far of the Department, which are fundamental to support the activities of land administration and management, development planning, and construction of mega projects and infrastructure. I can assure that the Department keeps continuing the efforts of contributing to the mission of nation building in the days to come too.

Currently, Survey Department's activities are directed towards '2nd Generation Reform', which mainly includes technological transformation, enhancement of accuracy and completeness of its products, modernization of the methods of service delivery, and overall capacity building of the Department. In absence of required resources and capacity, the mission is moving with snail's pace though. I believe, the Department will be able to draw due attention of the Government in this line.

I have noticed tireless efforts of the members of the Advisory Council and Editorial Board to bring this issue published. I can imagine the hard work of the authors to produce the articles. Therefore, I would like to extend heartiest thankfulness to all of them for their kindness and expect the same in the next issues too.

Lastly, I would like to recall the history of the Department, which is to complete 57th year of its service to the Nation soon. I would like to congratulate all the staff of Survey Department in this occasion. Furthermore, I would also like to extend heartiest appreciation and respect to the great personalities who contributed to bring the Department at this stage.

Enjoy reading!

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