

**Wikimedia
Nepal
Chapter**

123 languages are spoken in Nepal

Nepali is National Language and Lingua Franca

In process of Affiliation
By-laws under voting/translation
26 members
9 member ad-hoc committee

Existing Projects

Nepali- Wikipedia, Wiki-books, Wiktionery

Nepal Bhasa- Wikipedia

Bhojpuri- Wikipedia

Pali-Wikipedia

Sanskrit- Wikipedia

**Wikipedia in Incubation
(7 languages)**

Maithili, Tamang, Tharu,
Awadhi, Limbu, Gurung,
Sherpa



Pioneer in Indic Language

- **Nepali Wikipedia** started on 3rd June, 2002
- Celebrated 10th Anniversary in 2012



Some Landmarks

- **3 June, 2002 :Nepali Wikipedia begun**
- **15 January, 2011:Wiki-10 in Kathmandu.**
- **15 January, 2012 :Wiki 11th Anniversary
Kathmandu**
- **3rd June, 2012 : -१० -The 10th
Anniversary of Nepali Wikipedia.**



Wikipedia in Other Languages in Nepal

Nepali- 23,000+ Articles – 78 Active Users

Newari (Nepal Bhasa)- 70,000 Articles -24
Active Users

Bhojpuri- 2,700 Articles, 17 Active Users

Pali-2,800 Articles, 16 Active Users

Sanskrit-9,000+ Articles, 39 Active Users

Wiki-10

- 15 January, 2011- Kathmandu



Wiki 11

Kathmandu



Wiki-Wistar (Expansion)

Wiki-Wistar (Outreach) Programs-7



- १० (10th Anniversary of Nepali Wikipedia)





Past 12 Months

- **Chapter Meetings-4**
- **Meetings with other communities-5**
(Open DRI, Google, Accountability Lab, Galli-Galli, Language Technology Kendra)
- **Co-Organized events-2**
Software Freedom Day,
Open Data Day
- **Outreach-7**
- **Editathon-4**

Wiki-Women Initiative Nepal

- This was the most successful event of past 12 Months.
- Started with **Int'l Women's Month in March 2012.**
- Begun with one lady editor and now has multiplied the contributors into 9.
- Over 50 **Women & Gender Related** articles created in Nepali and over 10 in English.
- Over 200 **Women & Gender related** articles were edited.





Media Coverage

- 4 Newspapers/Magazine Articles Coverage
- 3 Radio Talks
- 1 Audio-visual material released to help to the editors.
- 1 Printed material produced (distributed only one day because of TM right)



Next Year Goal

- **Get Affiliation from WMF**
- Increase the Community base by TOT and Aggressive Outreach.
- Start **Education Project** as piloting in 3 schools and one non-formal education center. (Focusing home-maker women)
- Mentoring projects.
- Support project to Wikibooks



Strength, Weakness & Challenges

Strength

- **Passionate Team**
- Good collaborators
- High potential of growth

Weakness

- **Resource Constraints**

Challenges

- Legal Status
- **Community Growth**
- Funds/Sustainability
- **Technical issues**
 - Devanagari OCR,
 - Android IME etc.



Thank You!