

Kose-dhunga, opportunities for youth to develop

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KATHMANDU, June 23: Targetting SLC, plus two and A-Level graduates, Debate Network Nepal (DNN) is organizing a program focusing on parliamentary debates, public speaking, career counseling and leadership skills. Called Kose-dhunga, the program will be held from July 10 to July 30 offering two shifts as per the participant's convenience: morning from 7-10 AM and evening from 2- 5 PM.

Kose-dhunga will introduce the participants to basic parliamentary debating, public speaking and leadership skills using many fun methods. There will also be recreational activities such as hiking. Several renowned guest speakers from various walks of life will also be there to provide their valuable insights.

"Our youth have a lot of potential within them and many often do not realize it. We felt that they need right guidance—somebody to make them realize that there is a leader within them. And that's how this idea came about," said Pradeep Ghimire, Chair of DNN.

DNN is a social enterprise working to promote the debating culture in Nepal since 2013. The motto of the enterprise is to unite debaters so as to run the debating programs within the country in an organized manner and also officially represent Nepal in the international arena.

"Nepal lags far behind in debating. We still follow the conventional style. DNN is working to promote the modern style of debating in order to take Nepali debaters to a greater height," Ghimire explained.

Debaters from DNN will soon be representing Nepal in World School Debating Championship* to be held in Singapore in August this year, and World University Debating Championship to be held in Greece in January 2016.

Participants can apply for the program by filling up an online form through the DNN's Facebook page. They will be required to pay a fee of Rs 6,000.

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*(*Correction: Nepal's participation in WSDC for the year 2015 was coordinated by Debate Yatra while DNN's then executive member Pradepta Adhikari and Chair Pradeep Ghimire participated as a debater and independent judge respectively.)*