# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

Personal Details	Areas of Interest
Name: Suman Shree Neupane	Quantitative Ecology
Address: Ramechhap-08, Ramechhap, Nepal	Wildlife Ecology, Conservation Biology
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Tel (Mobile): +977-9849575176	Application of GIS and Remote Sensing
	Travelling and Ecotourism
	Natural Resource Economics

#### Academic Background

2019-2021	M.Sc. Wildlife Management and Biodiversity Conservation, School of Forestry and Natural
	Resource Management, Tribhuvan University

- 2017 B.Sc. Forestry, Kathmandu Forestry College, Tribhuvan University
- 2012 +2 Science, Capital College and Research Centre, Higher Secondary Education Board
- 2010 SLC, Durga Bhawani Academy, Government of Nepal

#### **Relevant Work Experience**

- **2019-2021** Lecturer of Forest Law and Policies, and Wildlife Management to Diploma Students at Amity Global College.
- **2019** Worked as Research Assistant and GIS Analyst with SMART Pvt. Ltd on National Level Bear Action Plan Development 1<sup>st</sup> March to 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019.
- **2018/19** Worked as Research Assistant and GIS Analyst with SMART Pvt. Ltd on Assessment of Bluebull Population, distribution, behavioral pattern, and human-blue-bull conflict status in Nepal 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to 29<sup>th</sup> February 2019.
- **2017/18** Worked as Program Officer with Community Forestry Research and Training Center (COMFORTC) in Sindhupalchowk district, Nepal from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

#### Publication

- Paudyal, R., Baniya, R., Thapa, B., Neupane, S. S., & Birendra, K. C. (2022). Motivation and service quality relationship with visitor satisfaction and loyalty intentions in a mountainous protected area. Journal of Ecotourism, 1-18.
- Rajeev Joshi, Mandip Pangeni, Suman Shree Neupane, Nagendra Prasad Yadav (2021) Regeneration Status and Carbon Accumulation Potential in Community Managed Sal (*Shorea Robusta*) Forests of Far-Western Terai Region, Nepal. European Journal of Ecology. https://doi.org/10.17161/eurojecol.v7i1.15005.
- Baniya R Thapa B Paudyal R, **Neupane SS** (2021) Motive-based segmentation of international tourists at Gaurishankar Conservation Area, Nepal. Journal of Mountain Science 18(1). https://doi.org/10.1007/s11629-020-6179-z
- Ramesh Paudyal, Brijesh Thapa, **Suman Shree Neupane** and Birendra K C (2018): Factors associated with conservation participation by local communities in Gaurisankhar Conservation Area Project, Nepal, Sustainability, 2018, 3488, DOI: /10.3390/su10103488
- Birendra KC, Ramesh Paudyal & Suman Shree Neupane (2018): Residents' perspectives of a newly developed ecotourism project: an assessment of effectiveness through the lens of an importance– performance analysis, Asia Pacific Journal of Tourism Research, DOI: 10.1080/10941665.2018.1467938

### **Research Project:**

**2021 (ongoing) Team Leader** Developing Community Based Insurance Scheme to Mitigate Human Wildlife Conflict in Gaurishankahr Conservation Area, Nepal.

**2020(ongoing) Team Leader-** Received Rufford Small Grant from Rufford Foundation to carry out research on Genetic Diversity and Conservation of Himalayan Black Bear in Nepal (£6000).

**2016/017** Received Student Dissertation Grant Program from National Trust for Nature Conservation on Economic Valuation of Ecotourism and Conservation in Gaurisankhar Conservation Area, Nepal (NPR 30,000) from 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

### Grants, Awards and Honors:

- 2021 Received IDEA WILD Equipment Grant for Research and Conservation of Himalayan Black Bears in Nepal (\$ 480)
- **2020** Received Rufford Small Grant from Rufford Foundation ((£6000).
- 2016/17 Received Student Dissertation Grant Program from National Trust for Nature Conservation (NPR 30,000).
- 2014 Awarded by Hon. Minister Mahesh Acharya (Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation) on the auspicious occasion of International Biodiversity Day for securing second position in the Essay Writing Competition organized by Kathmandu Forestry College.
- **2013** Awarded by Babiyakharka Saving and Credit Co. Ltd. for securing Distinction in +2 (Science) examinations of 2012.

#### **Poster Presentation:**

Ramesh Paudyal, **Suman Shree Neupane**, & Birendra KC (2017): Resource Dependency, Attitudes, and Participation in Ecotourism and Conservation: a case from Gaurishankar Conservation Area, Nepal. Southeastern Recreation Research (SERR) Conference (March 20, 2017), North Carolina, USA.

## Video Documentary

2020 (Team Leader) Developed Video Documentary on Role of Women and PVSE Group in Natural Resource Management in Collaboration with Hariyo Ban Program-FECOFUN (सामुदायिक वनकी वनमाया (The story of Banamaya) - YouTube)

#### Training, Mentorship and Field Work:

2021	One Week Training and Field Work on Handling, Installing Camera Trap and Analysis Using
	VOTT Software Conducted by Biome Health Project, Institute of Forestry from 15-21 Feb 2021
2020	One Week Training on R-Studio and Statistical Data Analysis by School of Forestry and NRM,
	IOF, Kathmandu, Nepal
2019	Training on Child and Gender Rights by terres des hommes Kathmandu, Nepal from 13-15
	June 2019
2016	Geographic Information System and Remote Sensing Training organized by Resource
	Himalayan Foundation from 10-19 August 2016.
2014	Six months Mentorship Program under The Generation Green Campaign organized by WWF
	Nepal from, June-December 2014.
2014	Capacity building Training on Climate Change, REDD+ and Forest Carbon Inventory
	Organized by Youth Alliance for Environment from 20-23 June 2014.
2008	Youth Ambassador Training program on Prevention Movement Jointly Organized by D-Care
	Foundation and Recovering Nepal.

# Volunteer

**2014/15** Served as volunteer at Youth Alliance for Environment in The Generation Green Campaign from March 2014 to December 2015.

## Key skill and competencies

- Arc GIS
- R-Studio
- Google Earth Engine
- Ensembled and Maxent Modelling
- Good interpersonal skill and abilities to work in a team environment.
- Can plan and organize the things as per priorities.
- Enthusiastic to increase knowledge through self-motivation and hard work.

## **Organizational Leadership:**

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2020	Member, British Ecological Society
2018	Life Member, Nepal Forester's Association
2014	Mentee, The Generation Green Campaign, WWF Nepal
2013	Member, Bird Conservation Nepal
2011/12	President, CCRC Art and Culture Club
2007/08	Secretary, Creative Effort for Social Fellowship, Durga Bhawani Academy

## Language

- Nepali (Read, Write, Speak)
- English (Read, Write, Speak)

## **Personal Interests:**

- Travelling, Recreation and Nature Photography
- Music and Sports
- Teaching and Mentoring

## **Contact Information of the Referees**

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