

Brief Introduction of Nepal Teacher's Association (NTA)

Nepal Teacher's Association (NTA), based on the principal of Democracy, Human Rights and Independent Judiciary, was established in 2047 to enhance Nepal's education system through teacher's professionalism. NTA is the largest and prestigious organization of all the Nepalese teachers. Nepal's professional movement, in an organized way, had marched ahead since 2036. Nepal teacher's movement had experienced lots of ups and downs because of the suppression of Panchayat System, a autocratic political system run by the King. Due to the political influence of the Panchayat system, united teachers movement was divided into Secondary Teacher's Association and Primary Teacher's Association. All the Nepalese teachers, in the leadership of Devendra Prasad Upadhyay, actively participated in the national movement of 2046. Democracy was re-established. In the year 2047, Nepal Teacher's Association was legally established with the initiation of teachers who were the strong believer of democracy. This Association established in 2047 had accomplished its 7th national convention at Kathmandu in 2069, phalgun 9-12.

2. Legal Status

- Registered in Nepal Trade Union Act – 2049.

3. Goals

- To assure the teacher's professional security, rights and dignity.
- To sincerely attempt in the support of Quality Education For All.
- To support to solve the daily problems of teachers regarding to their profession.
- To organize the awareness program for the promotion of civil liberty, Pluralism, Human Rights, Trade Union Rights and professional knowledge .
- To help students for achieving the fundamental opportunity and to provide education in a favorable environment.
- To get involved in educational development making good partnership and co-ordination with school's stakeholders.
- To construct assumptions or views in contemporary education and submit suggestions to concerned agency and get involved in lobbying.
- To continuously work in the favor of Democracy, Human Rights, Independent judiciary and free journalism.
- To enhance unity, coordination and affiliation to national and international Trade Unions to establish professional rights.
- To be continuously active to repudiate the nation's social evil like child labor, gender discrimination etc.

4. Accomplished General Assembly

Democratic teachers being united in 2007, have been going ahead establishing NTA in 2047.

General Assembly of Association:

1. Formation of adhoc committee in 2047 baishak 30 in the leadership of Devendra Prasad Upadhyay.
2. First general assembly was held at Kathmandu in 2047 Phalgun 19-21. General assembly selected the executive committee in the chairmanship of Devendra Prasad Upadhyay.
3. Second general assembly was held in Kathmandu from 2051 Baishak 30 to Jestha 1 . The national executive committee was formed in the leadership of Devendra Prasad Upadhyay.
4. National executive committee was formed by the third general assembly held in 2053 Phalgun 19-12 in the leadership of Keshav Prasad Bhattarai.
5. Keshav Prasad Bhattarai was re-elected in the chairman by the fourth general assembly held in 2057 Phalgun 17 to 19.
6. Fifth general assembly was held in Lalitpur , Patan from 2062 Baishakh to 14 Baishakh elected the national executive committee in the leadership of Mohan Jnawali.
7. The sixth general assembly was held in Kathmandu from 2065 Phalgun 21 to Phalgun 25, formed the national executive committee in the leadership of Mohan Jnawali.
8. The seventh general assembly , held in Kathmandu from Phalgun 9 to Phalgun 12, formed the national executive committee in the leadership of Keshav Niraula.

5. Slogans used in every general assembly:

1. Education for democracy and democracy for all round development of the nation.
2. Main secret of NTA: Social Justice, standard education and democracy.
3. Quality teachers, quality investments and quality management for quality education.
4. Education for sustainable development and teachers in achieving new millennium development goals.
5. Commitment of NTA : Quality education, high teachers dignity and secured civil liberty.
6. Satisfied teacher, contemporary education, democracy and developed nation: Our commitment.

6.National and International affiliation of NTA

National

- NTA is the founder member of Teachers Union of Nepal(TUA) was established in 2060 Magh 2. TUN is the authentic and common organization of Nepalese teachers which is provisioned in Education Act of Nepal.
- NTA is active as a founder member of Nepal Trade Union Congress(NTUC). NTUC is affiliated to the International Trade Union Congress(ITUC)

International

- NTA is actively working as a founder member of Education International (EI). EI include 173 countries with 403 teachers organization. NTA had got the membership of International Federation of Free Teachers Union(IFFTU) in 2048.
- NTA, as a founder member of SAARC Teachers Federation (STF), is in the leadership of STF. STF is the common organization of 8 million teachers of SAARC region.

7. Achievement made by NTA

After 2007, NTA, fulfilling its national responsibility, is actively involved in every political and social movement. NTA is proud of the glorious contribution made by the teachers for the establishment of Republic Multiparty Democracy.

Some important achievements achieved by the joint teachers movement in the favor of teachers are

- Provision of Pension.
- Management of Kitabhkhana (i.e. a governmental wing which keeps all the information of teachers in a scientific manner.)
- Provision of Medical expenses equivalent to civil servants.
- Provision of level wise class of teachers.
- Provision of remote allowance.
- Formation of teacher's service commission.
- Time bound promotion.
- Provision of budget for the management of staffs.
- Compulsory provision of teacher's license.
- Provision of Insurance.

Besides these, there are lots of achievements. Although, the agreement made with the state in 2068 /12/02 and 2069/07/ 11 is to be addressed to achieve all other necessary facilities by the teachers. By the execution of the agreement made with the state, additional achievement will be achieved for the sake of the teachers.

8 Fundamental Educational View:

- Infrastructure development of democracy, pluralism , social justice, independent judiciary, independent journalism and free educational environment.
- Provision of Constitutional Teachers Service Commission to bring changes in education.
- Provision of 25 percent budget of total national budget in education and to place the education in the first priority of the state.
- Free education up to secondary level.
- Introduction of multidimensional vocational education in the school and the implementation of self employment policy in a practical manner.
- Immediate implementation of the agreements of teacher's movement made with the state.
- Legal representation of teachers representative in the various educational wings of the state.
- Legal provision of representation of professional organizations in the legislature in a certain percentage.