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TTL Fifth Anniversary Program

- TTL celebrated its 5th Anniversary program on November 24, 2016
- 5 years of journey of TTL highlighted and 5 years of future activities planned
- Official release of 5th Anniversary Issue by Mr. Kulman Ghising, Managing Director, Nepal Electricity Authority and Prof. Dr. Bhupendra Bimal Chhettri, Dean, School of Engineering, Kathmandu University
- Program accompanied by the project exhibition program Aviyantaa'16 of Mechanical Engineering Department and release of the 3rd issue Aviyantaa
- Photo Galleries and full news at http://tinyurl.com/ze2ak25

Other highlights

• Official release of 3rd Aviyantaa Issue by Mr. Satya Narayan Shah, Chairman, Nepal Engineering Council and Prof. Dr. Bhola Thapa, Registrar, KU

KETEP Project

• Accomplishment of KETEP Project

Energize Nepal Project

- Kick- off meetings/ PAC meetings held during 20-22 Nov, 2016
- Kick- off meeting with stakeholders held on 21st Nov, 2016
- KU officials along with Dr. Meg B. Bishwokarma, General Manager, Hydro Lab Pvt. Ltd., Dr. Petter Stoa, SINTEF and Hans Otto Haaland, Research Council of Norway and governmental and institutions representatives attended the program
- Project schedule, Implementation Plan and Procurement Documents of the TTL part project discussed, edited and finalized.
- Interview conducted for Project Manager (PM) and IT Communication and Public Relation Officer (ITCPRO)
- Vacancy announcement for PhD, MS and Technician position at TTL under ENPE project

Lab Activities

- Dismantling of 92 kW Francis test rig for relocation at TTL
- Pickling of MS guide vanes to remove scale/impurities

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Lab Visits

- Mr. Kulman Ghising, Managing Director, Nepal Electricity Authority visited TTL on 24th November as the chief guest on TTL 5th Anniversary Program and discussed on future prospects of collaboration between NEA and KU
- Prof. Ole Gunnar Dahlhaug and Mr. Bård Aslak Brandåstrø, Senior Engineer, WPL-NTNU visited TTL on 8th and 9th November and discussed on recently commenced EnergizeNepal project at TTL
- Visit by delegates from HimalPartner on 3rd week of November

Academic Activities of PhD Candidate

- Progress meeting with Prof. Ole, Mr. Bard and Assoc. Prof. Hari Pd. Neopane on 8th November, 2016
- Analysis of PIV results of 1 GV cascade rig
- Tender documents (Global) for pressure tank and test rig under preparation

Publications

 Ravi Koirala, Bhola Thapa, Hari Prasad Neopane, Baoshan Zhu, "A review on flow and erosion in Guide Vanes of Francis turbine", Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews, 2016

Undergraduate Projects (2016- 2017) at TTL

- 6 final year projects
- 2 third year projects
- 6 second year (Hydropower group) projects