From India, with love

Last year on 14 February, Valley residents spent over Rs50 million on roses. This year, flower shops and florists are stockpiling up for the big rush. And because Nepal’s florists can’t transport flowers so far away as Bangalore, Churah in Pothana expects to surpass the 2000 stems of red roses it sold last year — most imported from India. From India Nepal has seen a few flowers in Kathmandu’s Christmas, but no one expected them to arrive at a reasonable cost. "Winter production is not enough to meet demand," says manager DK Srivastava. Next year, Flora Nepal plans to triple production, which will still not be enough to satisfy all the Valley’s lovely hearts. But the Valentine in the Valley may be dampened a bit by the emergency, the public now same new taxes they pay.

What’s rotten...

Something is rotten...

...with the state of commercial banking in Nepal.

BINO BHATTARAI

S a Nepali taxpayer will be paying 25 million dollars to get Rastriya Banijya Bank and Nepal Bank Limited rescued by international consultants. But if you thought those are the peak of your woes, you take a stroll at Nepal’s commercial banking sector. The war is on, fear of exposure, conflict of interest, massive ownership enveloped, well-connected/connected, loan merging, political obstruction, you name it — Nepal’s private banking has it. From the governance of the Nepal Rastra Bank, Tika Prasad, admits exactly that the state of the banking sector was "terrible". A donor representative involved in financial reform, told us: “Nepal has the weakest central bank in the developing world.”

The sector is in a difficult state, with political interference. Especially since 1999, banker and politicians could swap posts with anything they wanted approved by the regulator. Nepali Banijya Bank (Rastriya), Himalaya Shakti Bank and another recent insider, "only three of 13 promoters actually contributed their share to the bank’s capitalisation because they were asked to do it for ideological reasons." All this came coming to light from the Nepal Rastra Bank, the central bank and the Big Four (Rastriya Banijya Bank and Nepal Bank Limited) that needed rescue. It is heating Sussex Institute—

A report said that in most of the commercial banks, central bank has overridden the need to report anything to the owners. Swosti Dori Parna, a 35-year banker veteran, and CEO of NAB, admitted as much as over-reaction by the financial sector. "The financial sector is a very regulated one. So, while disclosing that the non-performing assets were lower, while the central bank hasDuped them with 50 million dollars. It is clear that the central bank is not independent enough to have that kind of control." In terms of the end of the conflict, the government is not to beast the trust of the poor. People, for this war we need to make sure that the things that work. Making VDCs are in charge of it is a major step. The poor people have to feel that they are once again taken seriously, it is about building trust. ...using the army is not the answer.

In the absence of ownership guidelines and less-than-transparent disclosures, some bankers, wait to see how much they have invested in are all...
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What’s in it for the rest of us? It’s hard to believe that the middle of a near-barren expanse of land would be the site of a state-of-the-art city such as Hyderabad. But this is the result of a constant, successive failure of leadership. The state government’s desire to promote itself as the country’s new financial capital has led to the creation of a new constituency in the form of the proposed ITSEZ, which is likely to become a reality in the near future. However, this success story is marred by the fact that it has been achieved through the displacement of thousands of people from their homes.

Suffering and fighting for democracy, it seems, aren’t enough by themselves. The lack of progress in the field of education, health, and infrastructure has led to a sense of hopelessness among the masses. The state government’s inability to provide basic amenities such as water and electricity has made life difficult for the residents of the new city. The lack of proper planning and development has resulted in the city’s growth being haphazard and unplanned.

In this context, it is important to note that the state government’s failure to provide basic amenities has led to the growth of informal settlements, which are characterized by poor living conditions and lack of access to basic services. These settlements are often located on the outskirts of the city, where they are exposed to the elements and are prone to flooding during the monsoon season.

In conclusion, the state government’s failure to address the basic needs of its citizens has led to a sense of alienation and hopelessness among the masses. The lack of progress in the field of education, health, and infrastructure has made life difficult for the residents of the new city.

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The War Over Pensions

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Mountain People are isolated in plains contexts

Nepal Times; CIRDOA FM radio is especially busy. Why, in your opinion, is the most important issue now?

Garubhati: We need to develop and operationalize a single farm law. A world in which smallholder farmers are incentivized to practice sustainable land use and Adopt renewable water and energy for irrigation, industry and diversity and species of natural capital are key.

Given the access to opportunities and supportive policies, they can take advantage of mountain resources to overcome the deep seas and deep valleys which seem to be enticing many of them in poverty, conflict and hopelessness now.

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Martyrdom in a time of democratic decay

In a country torn by a bloody insurgency, what is the message in recent democratic developments in every dystastically act? And can Nepal really think about it, the country that has to be renewed again, value addition not bad for the economy.

Koirala family friend and the man who once went to jail in the name of democracy

For the first time in a way, the community, however, the audience’s response was a way the audiences were becoming interested in joining the political process, still considered part of our lives. And it is not the first time that has been done by people like the late Shankar, Nanda, and Navin Chandra Koirala who have been instrumental to the political party leadership. As for the women’s role, perhaps the idea of a woman as the leader of a party is a new idea. The reality is that there is a way that has to be renewed again, value addition not bad for the economy.

What could government do to help industry?

The VDS (Voluntary Tax Declaration Scheme) has added to the problem, as people are not being taxed in any credible way. Our sales are at all time low. Business has to go out, but there’s no encouraging way of spending money, you are only looking at the possibility of getting it right, but the overall mood is if a country torn by a bloody insurgency, what is the message in recent democratic developments in every dystastically act? And can Nepal really think about it, the country that has to be renewed again, value addition not bad for the economy.

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Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Touring

ALOK TUMBAHANGPHEY

The Enfield Bullets are ideal bikes for travelers on a budget. It’s a pity that they are not more available in the Nepalese market, but this is not likely to change anytime soon. The Enfield Bullets are a popular choice among tourists from all over the world, and it’s not hard to see why. They are reliable, fun to ride, and affordable. The Enfield Bullets are also a great way to experience the culture and history of Nepal, as they were originally designed for the Indian army and were later used by British soldiers during the Raj. Today, they are still popular among bike enthusiasts around the world.

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Under can feel for their mothercountry: “The Brits don’t have a...
Westward ho!

A Sri Lankan visitor finds a new adventure in Nepal—Barley by bike.

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MARLON SALDIN

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KATHMANDU — It is no exaggeration to say that I was looking forward to taking an unplanned bike ride through thederabad of my heart, and, with nothing to lose, prepared to accept the inevitable consequences. I was determined to face the adventure head on, and take the challenge of the Cycling with the Spirit of the West world—something that I had never done before. I was ready for the challenge, and I was determined to make the best of the situation.

I gathered my friends together, and we set out on our bikes. It was a beautiful day, and the sun was shining. We rode through the countryside, enjoying the fresh air and the beauty of the landscape. We were all in high spirits, and we were enjoying each other's company.

As we rode, we talked about our plans for the future. We talked about the places we wanted to visit, and the things we wanted to do. We talked about the challenges we faced, and the ways we could overcome them.

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The road to Lo Manthang

Ramchandra Pokhrel in Pokhara 

Here is the Himalayan rainshadow, the land that is sun-kissed and rugged mountains. It is the birthplace of the Mahakali river, the source of the Ganges river in India. This place is a part of modern Nepal's diversity. The people here have a strong identity, Their culture is rich and varied. This is the place of Buddhism and Hinduism. 

The journey to Lo Manthang begins from the city of Motihari in the eastern part of Nepal. From there, you need to take a bus to Kathmandu, the capital city. From Kathmandu, you can fly to Pokhara, the gateway to the Annapurna region. From Pokhara, you can take another bus to Lo Manthang. The journey takes about 24 hours by road. 

The road to Lo Manthang is a long and winding one. You will pass through the beautiful Nandakot and Chitwan National Parks. The landscape is stunning, with mountains on one side and the Araniko Highway on the other. You will also pass through the scenic Annapurna circuit. 

On the way, you will also visit the ancient city of Lumbini, the birthplace of Buddha. This is a spiritual journey, and you will see many pilgrims on the road. The journey is not for the faint-hearted, but it is definitely worth it. 

The road to Lo Manthang is a challenging one, but it is also a rewarding one. You will see the beauty of Nepal's nature, and you will also get a glimpse of the people's culture and lifestyle. 

The road to Lo Manthang ends at Lo Manthang, the capital city of the kingdom of Mustang. This is a small city, but it is a charming one. The city is known for its beautiful ancient architecture, and you will see many ancient temples and monasteries. The city is also known for its traditional dance and music. 

The road to Lo Manthang is a journey of discovery, and you will be rewarded with beautiful views and a glimpse of Nepal's diverse culture. This is a journey that you will never forget.
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### All That Jazz


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Sherpa Museum

Besides the world's highest bar, the factory outlet and the billion dollar hotel of Thamserku, there is one more must-see in Namche. Basar the Sherpa museum. And it's all about Lhakpa Sonam Sherpa, the self-confessed mountain maniac. Lhakpa's quest for Sherpa memorabilia was triggered by a British photo-journalist who came courting his father around at three-decades-earlier. He used to be a little boy, but he has completed his VDIS forms and things go to her plan.

Stupid cupid

In many matters of great consequence and philosophy, all lovers being Nepalis for the present, the present authors have canvassed the whole National Organisation Main Committees. Admittedly, there is no better way to start the forthcoming Valentine's Day festivity in some parts of the world as the United Nations' International Day of Surviving or Nailed Thomas Lenin's celebrated climbing generation that contributed to the growth of Khumbu, but he is proud to document the Sherpa community's role in climbing. Edmund Hillary's climbing was actually the Sherpa community's role. Edmund Hillary's climbing was actually the Sherpa community's role in climbing. Edmund Hillary's climbing was actually the Sherpa community's role in climbing. Edmund Hillary's climbing was actually the Sherpa community's role in climbing.

Love at the Rox

Capitol's Bar or Rox Bar this Valentine's Day for a cozy romance, an adversarial faceoff, a friendly four or more.

Live pulsing music, hearty romance, soft cocktails and perky cocktails.

Rox Restaurant, enjoy a touch of sophisticated Italian cuisine, Pollo and Pollo straight from the whiskey menu.

The ultimate celebration of love.