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I have been working in agriculture and livestock development sector since 2002. From my education and professional work experiences, I have acquired multidisciplinary knowledge on sustainable agricultural crop and livestock production particularly tropical and sub-tropical food and forage production, integrated pest management, agribusiness management and development economics. I have practical knowledge of research, data collection/analysis and project management. I am hard working person having technical, managerial and leadership skills. My carrier objective is to spend my professional life in agriculture and livestock research and commercialization.

EDUCATION

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| 2019 | <i>M.S. in Agricultural Economics.</i> Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, USA. |
| 2008 | <i>M. Sc. Organic Food Chain Management.</i> University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany |
| 2002 | <i>B. Sc. Agriculture.</i> Tribhuvan University, IAAS Rampur, Nepal |
| 1997 | <i>I. Sc. Agriculture.</i> Tribhuvan University, IAAS Paklihawa, Nepal |

EMPLOYMENT

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| Jan 2018 to present | <i>Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant.</i> Department of Agricultural Economics, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. |
| Jan 2018 to present | <i>Consultant (Voluntary).</i> Global Supply Chain Management of Nepalese Orthodox Tea implemented by Specialty Tea Association of Nepal. |
| Mar 2014-Dec 2017 | <i>Project Manager/Value Chain Coordinator.</i> Nepal Denmark Development Cooperation, UNNATI Inclusive Growth Program in Nepal implemented by FCG Sweden. <i>Program Budget: \$ 70 million</i> |
| Aug 2013-Feb 2014 | <i>Value Chain Development Specialist.</i> Project for Agriculture Commercialization and Trade (PACT) implemented by Ministry of Agricultural Development, Kathmandu, Nepal.
<i>Program budget: \$26.55 million</i> |

Aug 2009-July 2013	Agriculture Specialist. Commercial Agriculture Development Project (CADP) implemented by Ministry of Agricultural Development, Kathmandu, Nepal. <i>Program budget: \$24 million</i>
Sept 2004-Jul 2006	Technical Director (Research). A & A International, Kathmandu, Nepal.
Jul 2002-Aug 2004	Technical Officer (Research). Dhanuka Agri-tech (Seed and Pesticide Company) Ltd, New Delhi, India.
Apr1997-May 1998	Science Teacher. Sungava Secondary Boarding School, Urlabari, Nepal.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Project management
- Leadership
- Data analysis

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

1. Received **Tim Lim Graduate Student Scholarship Award 2018** from Department of Agricultural Economics, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas.
2. Received **Silver Award** in 2017 from English Language Program, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas
3. Received **Merit Scholarship** from TU, IAAS, Paklihawa Nepal for 2-year undergraduate study.
4. Received **Merit Scholarship** from TU, IAAS, Rampur Nepal for 4 years' graduate study.
5. Received **Best Staff of the Year** in 2004 from Dhanuka Agritech Limited, New Delhi, India.

SCIENTIFIC PAPER

Giri, A., S. Sharma, K. Lovercamp, J. Tetteh, D. Dhakal and R. **Baral**. 2019. "State Level Revenue Analysis of the Market Facilitation Program," *Online Journal of Rural Research & Policy: Vol. 14: Iss. 1. <https://doi.org/10.4148/1936-0487.1099>.*

Baral, R. 2018. "Market Study of Nepalese Orthodox Tea-Problem and Prospective." *Submitted as a part of Research Project to the Department of Agricultural Economics, Kansas State University.*

Baral, R., B. Atilola and W. Bowman. 2018. "Replication of study on relating diet, demographics and lifestyle to increasing US obesity rates." *Submitted as a part of Research Project to the Department of Economics, Kansas State University.*

Baral, R., A. Mzyece and W. Bowman. 2018. "Industry analysis and strategic planning for OLAM, a multinational agricultural product trading company."

Baral, R. 2016. "Economic analysis of orthodox tea, dairy, and ginger enterprises in Nepal". *A study conducted for UNNATI-Inclusive Growth Program in Nepal, a DANIDA funded Bilateral Program in Nepal.*

- Baral, R.** 2016. "Value chain assessment of orthodox tea, ginger, dairy and large cardamom in Nepal." *A study conducted for UNNATI-Inclusive Growth Program in Nepal, a DANIDA funded Bilateral Program in Nepal.*
- Baral, R.** 2014. "Strategies for Promoting Organic Farming in Developing Countries" *A scientific paper presented in an International conference of DAAD-Alumni Winter School "Can Organic Farming Feed the World?" held at the University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany from 04 to 11 February 2014.*
- Baral, R.** 2008. "Studied on Cropping Potential of Physic nut (Jatropha curcas) in Nepal." *Submitted to the University of Hohenheim as a part of my MS Thesis Desertation.*
- Baral, R.** 2008. "Constraints and Opportunities for Organic Tea and Coffee Production in Nepal." *A scientific paper presented in an international conference on "Need of Sustainable Agriculture for Developing Countries" organized by the University of Hohenheim, Germany in May 2008.* Baral, R. 2007. "Land Degradation and its Consequences." *A scientific paper presented in an international conference on "Issues and Challenges for International Agricultural Development" organized by the University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany in February 2007.*
- Baral, R.** 2007. "Organic Pig Farming in Dehesa System in Spain." *A scientific paper presented in an international conference on "Perspective of Sustainable Livestock Farming in Europe" organized by the University of Hohenheim, Germany in April 2007.*

LANGUAGE SKILL

Nepali, English, Hindi, Maithili (Fair) and German (Fair)

COUNTRY VISITED

Austria, France, Germany, India, China, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Italy, Switzerland, Spain and USA

FIELD OF INTEREST

- Project management
- Sustainable agriculture commercialization and trade
- Applied research