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Work Experience

July 2016 - March 2018

April 2018 – August 2018 SNV Nepal, Junior Program officer Contributed on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene project for the sensitization, monitoring and implementation of the

program.

ICIMOD,Research Assistant Worked on installation of black carbon monitoring station in glacierized place [Langtang-Nepal]. Contributed in workshop and Science Policy Dialogue:Air Pollution, Climate, and Health in South Asia and the Hindu Kush Himalaya.Involved in research paper writing about Black Carbon [BC] aerosol source, sink, their optical and physical properties, radiative forcing, heating rate and its implication.

January 2015–March 2016

MinErgy Pvt.Ltd.,Research Assistant Provided technical inputs on gaseous pollutants measurement campaign. Assisted program coordinator for finalizing emission monitoring project

Education

September 2018 – June 2022

PhD, University of Chinese Academy of Science Analysis of aerosols transport, radiative perturbation and contribution using WRF-Chem Thesis title: Tracing aerosol concentrations, transport mechanism, and radiative perturbation over Pan-Third Pole region using multi-sensors satellite and models

June 2015 – August 2017

M.S by Research in Glaciology Estimation of aerosol optical properties using SBDART and OPAC models

Thesis title: Aerosol radiative forcing estimation over a remote high-altitude location (4900 masl) near yala glacier, nepal.

February 2011 – January 2013

M.Sc in Environmental Science Climate Change and pollution control

Research Publications

Journal Articles

- Hu, Y., Kang, S., Yang, J., Chen, X., Ji, Z., & **Rai**, **M.** (2022). Transport of black carbon from central and west asia to the tibetan plateau: Seasonality and climate effect. *Atmospheric Research*, 267, 105987.

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- Li, C., Yan, F., Zhang, C., Kang, S., **Rai**, **M.**, Zhang, H., ... He, C. (2022). Coupling of decreased snow accumulation and increased light-absorbing particles accelerates glacier retreat in the tibetan plateau. *Science of The Total Environment*, 809, 151095.

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- Maharjan, L., Kang, S., Tripathee, L., Gul, C., Zheng, H., Li, Q., ... Santos, E. (2022). Atmospheric particle-bound polycyclic aromatic compounds over two distinct sites in pakistan: Characteristics, sources and health risk assessment. *J Environ Sci (China)*, 112, 1–15. Odo:10.1016/j.jes.2021.04.024

- Gul, C., Mahapatra, P. S., Kang, S., Singh, P. K., Wu, X., He, C., ... Puppala, S. P. (2021). Black carbon concentration in the central himalayas: Impact on glacier melt and potential source contribution. *Environmental Pollution*, 275, 116544. Odoi:https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2021.116544
- Rupakheti, D., Rupakheti, M., Yin, X., Hofer, J., **Rai**, **M.**, Hu, Y., ... Kang, S. (2021). Modifications in aerosol physical, optical and radiative properties during heavy aerosol events over dushanbe, central asia. *Geoscience Frontiers*, 12(6), 101251. 60 doi:https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gsf.2021.101251
- Rupakheti, D., Yin, X., Rupakheti, M., Zhang, Q., Li, P., **Rai**, **M.**, & Kang, S. (2021). Spatio-temporal characteristics of air pollutants over xinjiang, northwestern china. *Environmental Pollution*, 268, 115907.

 doi:https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2020.115907
- 7 Tripathee, L., Gul, C., Kang, S., Chen, P., Huang, J., & **Rai**, **M.** (2021). Transport mechanisms, potential sources, and radiative impacts of black carbon aerosols on the himalayas and tibetan plateau glaciers, 7−23. **Ø** doi:10.1007/978-3-030-70509-1_2
- Rai, M., Mahapatra, P. S., Gul, C., Kayastha, R. B., Panday, A. K., & Puppala, S. P. (2019). Aerosol radiative forcing estimation over a remote high-altitude location (4900 masl) near yala glacier, nepal. *Aerosol and Air Quality Research*, 19(8), 1872–1891. 6 doi:10.4209/aagr.2018.09.0342
 - 1. **Rai,M.**, Kang,S.,Yang,J.,Chen,X.,Hu,Y.,Rupakheti,D. (2022) Tracing atmospheric anthropogenic black carbon and its potential radiative response over Pan-Third Pole region: a synoptic-scale analysis using WRF-Chem => **Accepted in Journal of Geophysical Research-Atmosphere**
 - 2. **Rai,M.**, Kang,S.,Yang,J.,Chen,X.,Hu,Y.,Rupakheti,D., Tripathee,L.,Rupakheti,M.(2022) Insight into seasonal aerosols concentrations, transport and meteorological influence over Pan-Third Pole region using multi-sensors satellite, WRF-Chem, and IPART => **In preparation**

Skills

Languages English, Nepalese, Kiranti, Mandarin Chinese.

Programming/Others | Python, R, Matlab, Linux, NCL, CDO

Models/Tools WRF-Chem, HYSPLIT/PySPLIT, SBDART, OPAC, ArcGis, TrajStat

Misc. Academic research, High performance computing, Satellite data handling, Lagrange ETFX, publishing.

Training and Conferences

12-23 August, 2019

12-15 January 2016 Data Analysis with R
Organised by ICIMOD, Nepal

18-22 January 2016 Application of Remote Sensing and GIS for Mapping and Monitoring of Glaciers

Organised by ICIMOD, Nepal

21-25 November 2016 Air Quality Instrument Operation and Maintenance Organised by ICIMOD, Nepal

23-24 October 2016 Field Techniques and Data Tools for Monitoring High Mountain Environments

Organised by University of Zurich, Switzerland

Climate Change and Social Impact on the Third Pole Organiseg by TPE, TranTip, China

28–30 August, 2019 International forum on the cryosphere and society The voice of the Hindu Kush Himalaya

Organiseg by ICIMOD, Nepal

Training and Conferences (continued)

22 October 2020	NASA'S Applied Remote Sensing Training Program on MODIS to VIIRS Transition for Air Quality Applications Organised by NASA
16 Jan, 2020	Winter School on Frontier and Interdisciplinary Science Organised by International School of UCAS, China
13-17 September 2021	Capacity Development Program on Air Quality Management and Emission Reduction on PM2.5 for Asian Countries Organised by Regional Resource Centre for Asia and the Pacific, Thailand
22 October 2021	Atmospheric Chemistry and Aerosols in the Asian Monsoon region using Satellite and Model data Organised by ACAM,ICIMOD,ECMWF,EUNETSAT
06 June 2021	Air Quality using Copernicus Sentinel data Organised by WEKEO, Mercator Ocean International
July 2021	4th Congress of China Geodesy and Geophysics Organised by Maritime Silk Road and Earth System Sciences, Qingdao, China

Awards and Achievements

2018 **President's Fellowship**, CAS-TWAS President's Fellowship awardee, Trieste, Italy

2015 M.S Thesis grant, Cryosphere Monitoring Project (CMP) fellowship, Norwegian Embassy and ICIMOD-Nepal

2013 M.Sc Thesis grant, Grant from SEAM-Nepal/Government of Finland.

References

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