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Helping America and Nepal Connect

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Doing something to help the “Homeland” is a thought that follows all immigrant engineers living in the United States. Though people may have lived here for many years, the notion of giving back to the place of one’s origin in a substantive and meaningful way is a flame that burns brightly in their hearts.

However, due to many factors most have not been able to turn these ideas into actions. In many cases, it is simply because people may be unable to connect with individuals with similar outlooks and professional interests.

The Computer Association of Nepal-USA (CAN-USA, www.can-usa.org) is an American non-profit organization that was formed over two years ago to provide a platform for people to translate their passion into results. Since that point, we have accumulated numerous successes. These include: Partnering in efforts to link remote villages to the internet, holding professional networking meetings, and teaching courses in real time by teachers in the US to students attending the lecture in Kathmandu.

However the most significant of CAN-USA’s activities every year is the annual US-Nepal Technology Development Conference. The goal of this international conference is to leverage the skills and talents of professionals throughout the world, and the United States in particular, to find innovative ways to use technology to address the real-world challenges faced by people in the developing world.



Recently, CAN-USA held its second annual US-Nepal Technology Development Conference in Oakland, California. This year’s conference focused on several critical issues facing developing regions of the world. Nepal, India, and China have all

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