Academic presentation results report (A)

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Presentation Title:

Urban and adjacent rural areas partnership for disaster resilience: a case of Kathmandu, Sindhupalchok, Nepal

Presentation format:

Oral, face to face on site

Association:

Canadian sociological association, environmental sociology, Congress 2023

Conference Overview:

The conference took place from May 29, 2023, to 2nd June 2023 at York University, Toronto, Canada. It brought together experts, researchers, and practitioners in the field of multiple disciplines including disaster resilience to discuss and exchange knowledge on environmental issues. The event included keynote speeches, panel discussions, and paper presentations.

Paper Presentation:

My paper presentation on "Urban and adjacent rural areas partnership for disaster resilience: a case of Kathmandu, Sindhupalchok, Nepal was scheduled on 1st of June 2023, 10.45 AM. The session was well-attended, approximately 60 online and in-person participants were in the room, and 4000 plus were in the venue. During the presentation, I highlighted the research methodology, key findings, and recommendations of the research. The audience engaged in fruitful discussions and provided valuable feedback.

Key Findings:

The research presented in the paper emphasized the importance of establishing strong urban-rural linkages to enhance disaster resilience. The key findings of the study include:

- Asymmetric social relations between urban administration and rural administration impacted disaster resilience.
- Changing bureaucratic roles created hurdles on common resources
- lack of uniformity in data management (Software, COGO)
- lack of integrated policy for disaster preparedness by addressing road/water problems is found as major problem.

Recommendations:

Based on the findings of the study, the following recommendations were proposed to strengthen urban-rural linkage.

Appropriate tax systems,

Market management through consumer rights,

Special transport system to carry fresh items, storage system, fixed price, urban-rural administration coordination in an urban-rural setting to create disaster resilient communities.

Benefits to the University:

By attending this conference and presenting the research paper, our university has gained the following benefits:

- a. Enhanced visibility and recognition of our institution as a contributor to the field of disaster resilience.
- b. Networking opportunities with renowned experts and professionals in the discipline.
- c. The dissemination of our research findings and recommendations to a wider audience, contributing to the advancement of knowledge in the field.