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III. DEVELOPMENT REPORTS AND ISSUES

* REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTIONS ON DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND ISSUES

Dear Reader:

We at the Himalayan Research Bulletin are in the process of expanding the Development Reports and Issues section of the Bulletin in order to better serve you. Toward this end we have two goals:

- (1) Our first goal is to include more systematic coverage of development projects and programs. The HRB is seeking your assistance in assembling short (1-3 paragraphs) descriptions of development projects and programs currently underway or planned for the near future. If you have any such information, please take the time to prepare a summary and send it to the Bulletin.
- (2) Our second goal is to establish a regular flow of articles exploring a variety of development issues facing Nepal (e.g. a report on the state of agricultural extension in Nepal, a review of efforts to protect the environment, or a consideration of current food issues in Nepal). We hope to include articles written from a variety of perspectives on each topic. In addition we will provide opportunities for responses from readers to the articles we print. You are invited and encouraged to inform the HRB about topics on which you would be willing to write or topics you would like to see the HRB cover.

As always, we at the HRB would be happy to offer our editing service to anyone who wishes to have their material printed in the Bulletin.

Please take a few minutes to complete and mail the form on the following page. The HRB would greatly appreciate any assistance our readers may have to offer us in our efforts to reach these goals. Furthermore, we welcome any suggestions toward making the Development Reports and Issues portion of the Bulletin a more useful tool for our readers. Thank you very much.

*ICIMOD SYMPOSIUM AND INAUGURATION, DECEMBER 1 - 7, 1983.

The International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) held a symposium on "Mountain Development 2000 — Challenges and Opportunities: in Kathmandu, December 1 - 4, followed by an inaugural conference December 5 and some excursions to specific problem areas in the vicinity of Kathmandu December 6 - 7.

Beginning in Spring 1984, Professor Colin Rosser will be the first Director of ICIMOD. Dr. Rosser received his PhD in Social Anthropology at the University of London in 1956 for his thesis on "The Social System of a Himalayan Community." In 1976, he became Professor of Development Planning at the University of London and Director of the Development Planning Unit at University College London. Two years ago, he was the Team Leader of a World Bank financed project at the Institute of Technology, Bandung.

The primary objective of ICIMOD is to promote economically and environmentally sound development in the Hindu Kush - Himalayas. ICIMOD has financial support from the Federal Republic of Germany and from Switzerland. His Majesty's Government of Nepal also sponsors ICIMOD financially and has offered manifold host facilities. UNESCO provides advisory services, travel grants and international linkages. The major functions of ICIMOD, as described in its Statutes, are to provide multidisciplinary documentation, training and applied research as well as consultative services in resource management and development. For further information, contact: ICIMOD, c/o SATA, Ekanta Kuna, GPO Box 3226, Kathmandu, Nepal.