Brief Summary Report of 6th Nepal Geological Congress (NGC-VI)

(15 - 17 November 2010, Kathmandu, Nepal)

Sixth Nepal Geological Congress on "Geology, Natural Resources, Infrastructures, Climate Change and Natural Disasters' was organized by Nepal Geological Society on 15 - 17 November 2010 in Hotel Everest, New Baneshor, Kathmandu, Nepal. The Chief Guest, Rt. Honorable President of Nepal, Dr. Ram Baran Yadav inaugurated the 6th Nepal Geological Congress on 15 November 2010. Three days long Congress was attended by just over 100 foreign participants from 23 countries and about 125 participants from Nepal. All together 5 Key note papers, 6 Special papers, 78 General papers and 24 Posters were presented by distinguished participants in three parallel 15 Technical Sessions. All the technical sessions went very smoothly and timely with the help and cooperation of the Session Chairmen, Co-Chairmen, Rapporteurs and the paper presentators. Immediately after each presentation some time were allocated for discussions. All the discussions were held very lively atmosphere. The deliberations were quite interesting and informative, and most of the papers were up to the international standard. This congress has provided ample opportunities for all the participating Geoscientists to exchange their views, share experiences and knowledge among the professional groups. The objective of the congress is fulfilled with great cooperation and helps of the participants, organizing committee members, all sub-committee members who had worked hard day and night.

At the end a short Valedictory Session was also organized to sum up the over all program and also know the views of the participants on the Congress. In the beginning representative participants from India, Pakistan, France and Japan expressed their feelings about the congress and the hospitality. All of them were very satisfied from the congress program, food as well as the hospitality they got from NGS and Nepalese people on the whole. Mr. K.P. Kaphle, Convener of 6th NGC sum up the over all program of 6th NGC and extended thanks to the participants, Session Chairmen, Cochairmen and Rapporteurs who could run the sessions smoothly and timely. He has also extended heartfelt thanks to various government and non-government organizations, Pvt. companies and individuals who helped NGS by providing financial/ logistics supports. Mr. J.N. Shrestha, President of NGS extended sincere gratitude to the Rt. Hon. President of Nepal for inauguration of the congress and his enthusiastic inaugural speech. He has also extended many thanks to all the participants and all the Organizing committee members, executive committee members, and Sub-committee members for their cooperation and helps to make the congress grand success. He also extended his thanks to the Hotel Everest management and their staff for being kind enough to provide all necessary items as per the requirement and testy food. The 6th Nepal Geological Congress ended with grand success.

Both the Post Congress Field Excursions: EX-1 (Kathmandu - Butwal - Pokhara - Jomsom for 6 days) and EX-2 (Kathmandu - Kodari/ Tatopani for one day) were organized. Interested participants (14 in EX-1 and 22 in EX-2) took part in the excursions.

Nepal Geological Society is planning to publish the full papers presented in the congress in the special volume of the Journal of Nepal Geological Society as Proceedings of the 6th Nepal Geological Congress by the end of November 2011. Therefore, all the participants who are interested to publish their papers in it, once again requested to submit their full papers before the end of December 2010.