

NATIONAL SILK CONFERENCE NEPAL 2026



Meet-up: Silk Forward 2026

Theme: Post-National Silk Conference Review & Stakeholder Interaction

Nepali Date: Magh 3, 2082 (Saturday)

English Date: 17 January 2026

Venue: ALOFT KATHMANDU THAMEL

Time: 11:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Program Agenda

11:30 AM – 12:15 PM

Registration, Tea/Coffee & Informal Gathering

Participants arrive, complete registration, and engage in informal interactions.

12:15 PM – 1:45 PM

Welcome Session & Introduction of Participants

Facilitated by the General Secretary, Handloom Fabrics Makers of Nepal (HFMN).

- Welcome remarks & Conference Review
- Purpose and objectives of the interaction program
- Structured introduction of participants to encourage sectoral dialogue

1:45 PM – 2:30 PM

Silk Business Ecosystem within the Handloom Value Chain (with Q&A)

Presentation by the President, Handloom Fabrics Makers of Nepal (HFMN).

- Overview of the silk business ecosystem within Nepal's handloom sector
- Value chain linkages: production, processing, weaving, branding, and markets
- Key takeaways and strategic directions following the National Silk Conference
- Interactive question and answer session

2:30 PM – 3:15 PM

Risk Mitigation & Insurance Framework in the Silk Industry Ecosystem (with Q&A)

Presentation by the Deputy Director, Nepal Insurance Authority.

- Identification of major risks across the silk value chain
- Role of agricultural, asset, and trade credit insurance
- Insurance as a tool for business stability and market expansion
- Interactive question and answer session

3:15 PM – 4:00 PM

United Trade Center Nepal (PL) as a Driver of the Handloom Business Ecosystem (with Q&A)

Presentation by Mr. Madhuban Lal Shrestha.

- Concept and vision of United Trade Center Nepal (Public Limited)
- Incorporation process and governance strategy
- Role in strengthening market access, exports, and branding
- Shareholder commitment and participation framework
- Interactive question and answer session

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Hi-Tea & Networking Session

Expected Outcomes

1. Shared understanding of **post-National Silk Conference** priorities and follow-up actions
2. Enhanced coordination among policymakers, industry stakeholders, and financial institutions
3. Clear articulation of risk mitigation and insurance mechanisms for the silk ecosystem
4. Strengthened commitment towards **United Trade Center Nepal (PL)** as a market-enabling institution
5. Identification of collaboration, investment, and implementation pathways