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### **EDUCATION:**

University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU), Gregor-Mendel-Straße 33,  
1180 Vienna, Austria  
**M. Sc. Mountain Forestry** (2014-2016).

Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan,  
Himachal Pradesh 173230, India  
**B. Sc. Forestry** (2005-2009).

Damphu Higher Secondary School, Tsirang Bhutan  
**Higher Secondary Examination** (2003-2004).

Daga Middle Secondary School  
**Middle Secondary Examination** (2001-2002).

Drujeygang Lower Secondary School  
**Primary Examination** (1992-2000).

### **EXPERIENCES:**

Biodiversity Officer, **Bioprospecting and Access and Benefit Sharing Program**,  
National Biodiversity Centre, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan **(2010 to date)**.

Head, **Bioprospecting and Access and Benefit Sharing Program**, National Biodiversity  
Centre, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan **(2013 to 2014)**.

Research Exchange Fellow, **The Plants for Human Health Institute**, North Carolina  
State University, 600 Laureate Way, Kannapolis, NC 28081, United State of America **(July  
2012)**.

Research Exchange Fellow, **Sarawak Biodiversity Centre**, KM20, Jalan Puncak Borneo, 93250 Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia (**June 1 to August 2, 2011**).

Trainee Officer, **Thimphu Forest Division**, Department of Forests and Park Services, Bhutan (**2009**).

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Nirola, M. P.**, (2016). Drivers of soil respiration in two mountain forests in Bhutan. Master's thesis. University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria.

Wangdi, N., **Nirola, M. P.**, Mayer, M., Zangmo, N., Orong, K., Ahmed, I. U., Darabant, A., Jandl, R., Gratzner, G., and Schindlbacher, A. (2016): Soil CO<sub>2</sub> efflux from two mountain forests in the Eastern Himalayas Bhutan: components and controls, Biogeosciences Discuss., doi: 10.5194/bg-2016-291, in review, 2016.

## **TRANINGS, WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE ATTENDED:**

Training on Survey, Identification and Documentation of Fungi of Bhutan in Bhutan (**June, 2010**).

Training on Preserving and Evaluating Biodiversity through Screens-to-Nature Technology in Bhutan (**November, 2010**).

Training on Social Science Research Methodology and Basics in Statistics Using Excel in Bhutan (**March, 2011**).

Training on Biochemical Extraction and Traditional Knowledge Documentation at the Sarawak Biodiversity Centre, Malaysia (**June-August, 2011**).

Training on Development of plant extracts and extract library through the use of bioassays” at the Plant for Human Health Institute, North Carolina State University, North Carolina, United State of America (**July 2012**).

Capacity building workshop on red listing, organized by IUCN in Bhutan (**April 2013**).

Regional Workshop on awareness-raising and capacity building to support the ABS mechanism under CBD Nagoya Protocol for the HKH countries in Sichuan Province of China (**May 2013**).

Training for Trainers on the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) in Tsukuba, Japan (**October 2013**).

Blended Training course on Biodiversity, International Regime for Access and Benefit Sharing and Intellectual Property in South Asian Countries in Chennai, India (**November 2013**).

Six week online Face-face Segment course on Biodiversity, International Regime for Access and Benefit Sharing and Intellectual Property (**December 2013 - January 2014**).

Regional workshop for Asia on Traditional Knowledge and Customary Sustainable use under the CBD, 2-4, June 2014 and Regional workshop on Community Based Monitoring and information systems (CBIMS), ChangMai, Thailand (**June 2014**).

Regional Training workshop for the Asian region on Community Protocols, indicators on Traditional Knowledge and Customary Sustainable use of Biodiversity under the CBD, Thimphu Bhutan (October 2016)

**COUNTRIES VISITED:**

India, Thailand, Malaysia, USA, China, Bangladesh, Japan, Austria, France, Switzerland, Germany and Slovakia.

**LANGUAGES:**

Dzongkha (spoken & written), English (spoken & written), Hindi (spoken) and Nepali (spoken), Kheng (spoken), Bumthap (spoken), Sharchop (spoken).