

# Presentation Proposal for College Students to Adults

**Presentation Topic: Human Rights and Education of Marginalized Nepalese.**

## **Information About Presenter**

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## **Education:**

BA, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA, USA (1994)

Dip. Ed., University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia (2000)

I was educated in five countries and had a long international teaching career before I recently began a brand new career in social work.

Belonging to one of the marginalized groups of Nepalese, I wasn't expected to even make it to school, but I did. Not only did I make it to school, I ended up graduating from high school in Nepal, I ended up receiving an international high school diploma from Italy, a bachelor's degree from a college in the US, and a teaching degree from a university in Australia.

My international teaching career, lasting over 15 years, spanned international schools in ten different countries. During my stay abroad, I travelled to about three-dozen different countries.

Just recently however, I have returned to Nepal to devote the rest of my life to the education of marginalized Nepalese children, children who are born in the same kind of context and circumstances as I was.

## **Presentation Objectives**

- To shed light on the violation of human rights of marginalized Nepalese
- To shed light on the difficulties marginalized Nepalese face accessing education
- To shed light on the plight of marginalized Nepalese as a result of their violation of human rights and lack of access to education
- To describe what our organization is doing to help marginalized Nepalese

## **Presentation Description**

- **Duration:** 40-55 minutes with another 20-30 minutes for Q&A.
- **Target Audience:** undergraduate or graduate students or adults above the age of 17.

A multimedia presentation about the marginalized Nepalese and their plight. The presentation will describe the plight of marginalized Nepalese such as Dalits, the untouchable, the lowest of the low caste according to the Hindu Caste System. It will also describe the plights of other marginalized groups, notably women, the Tharus in the South and the Tamangs, a hill tribe.

The description of their plight will not only include the difficulties they face in the country, but also outside the country and how they are again ignored by the government of Nepal. I argue that education is the solution to the problems and issues faced by them. The reason behind that belief lies in my own life story!

## **Equipment and Room/Venue**

- Data projector
- Speakers with audio cable
- Microphone if in a big auditorium, otherwise I can project my voice sufficiently to make myself heard!
- Internet access

## **Honorarium and Expenses**

Negotiable depending on the number and duration of the presentations.

In the past, honorarium for a single presentation was US\$500.00. When the visit involved more than just a single presentation, if it involved interactions and other activities for instance, then honorarium paid as been as much as US\$2000.

Travel, food and accommodation expenses as appropriate.

## **Additional Information and contact details**

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