

Prof. Sudarshan Raj Tiwari

Sudarshan Raj Tiwari retired as Professor of Architecture at the Institute of Engineering (IOE), Tribhuvan University in 2013 after forty years in active teaching. Between 1988-92, he also served as Dean of the Institute. His academic activities extended beyond Nepal with engagements in Norway, India, and China (Tibet). He holds Master's Degree in Architecture and Ph.D. in Nepalese Culture. His research interests include history, culture, urbanism, urban ecology and public policy. He has published numerous articles in national and international journals, magazines and papers on the topics of architecture, traditional architecture, built culture and history of Kathmandu Valley, and participated extensively in national and international seminars and conferences. His key publications include the books Bhaktapur (2023), Hadigaun (2023), The Temples of Nepal Valley (2022/2009), The Brick and the Bull (2001), Ancient Settlements of Kathmandu Valley (2001), Tiered Temples of Nepal (1987), Urban Crisis (book chapter/UNU), World Heritage and Human Rights (book chapter/Routledge), Authenticity in Architectural Heritage Conservation (book chapter/Springer) and Routledge Handbook on Historic Urban Landscape (book chapter/Routledge). He has extensive experience of projects in the areas of project planning and implementation, architecture, urban environment management, heritage management, conservation, cultural studies, education, and health. His contribution to the post-2015 earthquake reconstruction of architectural heritage of Kathmandu Valley particularly in terms of knowledge, understanding and application of traditional materials, technology and construction processes, has been widely recognized.