## NAMLS Nepal Association for Medical Laboratory Sciences

Nepal is one of the South Asian developing countries landlocked by India from 3 side (South, East, and West) and China from North. Compared with the developed country, the health facilities and benefits are little bit poor in Nepal. Health insurance is not at all for the general public yet. All health professional are trying their best to improve the health services. For the same purpose, a group of laboratory medicine professional of Institute of Medicine, TU Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital (IOM, TUTH), Maharajgunj, Kathmandu called a meeting in the month of April 1997 for the discussion on medical laboratory issue existing in the hospital and country which was carried on consecutive several meeting further. Finally, the entire member agreed to make a non-political and non-profitable professional organization with the mission of continuous improvement in laboratory medicine profession. As a result, Nepal Association for Medical Laboratory Science (NAMLS) was established and registered in chief district office (CDO), Ministry of Home affairs, Govt. of Nepal, May 1998. An ad-hoc committee in the leadership of Prof Shyam Sundra Mall with Professor Bharat Jha, Prof Nuchhe Ratana Tuladhar, Prof Jeewan Bahadur Sherchand, Prof Shiv Kumar Rai, JayBind Sing, Mahesh Kirati, Prof Dr.Keshav Parajuli was made for the formation of NAMLS constitution, and new executive committee, Almost after one year, a complete NAMLS committee in the leadership of Prof Bharat Jha came and takes over the responsibility of NAMLS.

NAMLS' executive committee (EC) is formed by President, one Vice president, Treasure, General secretary, secretary and five central member. NAMLS it one of the non-governmental organization which is now full member of IFCC and APFCB since 2010. Since its establishment, NAMLS is working for the betterment of medical laboratory service and its professional members through continuous CME, national conference on every three years, international workshop and conference time to time, stimulating ,ministry of health for research in the field of medical laboratory science, insisting the development of curriculum for medical laboratory education in the new university (Pokhara University, Kathmandu University, Purbanchal University, Nepal) and polytechnic institutes like council for Technical Education

and Vocational Training (CTEVT).NAMLS is mostly involved in all of the committee of ministry of health & population related to medical laboratory services like laboratory policy and planning. NAMLS is also continuing its journal publication annually. NAMLS has successfully organized the international conference in 2000 in Kathmandu. One of the most important tasks of NAMLS is to make aware about quality control management system to its all member and for the same NAMLS has organized the international workshop on Quality control in Clinical Laboratory management with support of IFCC and APFCB in 2011 under the IFCC-VLP program.





