

To

The Visa Officer

New Zealand High Commission

Mumbai, India

**Honorable Sir/ Madam,**

**My Personal and Academic Background:**

I am Mrs. Asmi Dangol, working in an Architectural firm for over a year in Nepal. I was born on December 29, 1991 in Hetauda, Makawanpur, Nepal. I hold a Nepalese Passport number 09375839 which expires on Dec 09, 2025 and citizenship number 311023-57206. I have completed my school leaving certificate from Reliance English Boarding School, Government of Nepal in 2007, and scored 66.50%. I obtained my high school (10+2) education from Hetauda School of Management and Social Sciences in Hetauda, Makawanpur, Nepal with major in Science in the exam held by Higher Secondary Education Board in the year 2009 with 55.3%. After then I started my bachelor in architecture (5 years course program) in 2009 from Acme Engineering College affiliated to Purbanchal University, Biratnagar, Nepal waiting for the result. In addition, I had Internship at DUDBC (DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING CONSTRUCTION) for four months. To meet the English language requirement, I appeared in International English Language Testing System (IELTS) examination in May 7, 2016 and scored 6 in the overall band where each band score is: (Listening-6, Speaking- 6.5, Reading-5.5, and Writing-5.5).

**Family Background**

My parents and in-laws are well established here in Nepal both economically and socially. My family has a very reputed social status. After being in relationship for 4 years I got married to Mr. Bishal Shrestha on January 15, 2016.

My father (**Mr. Ashok Kumar Dangol**), has been my educational aspiration. He has played a vital role in shaping my career ever since to date. My father works as chief technician at **Makawanpur Samudayik Vision Pvt Ltd** cable in Hetauda, Makawanpur, Nepal. My mother (**Mrs. Sabitri Devi Shrestha**) works as Manager at **Sahikhabar** weekly paper. She has always been a motivator in my educational and professional development. My husband (**Mr. Bishal Shrestha**) works as a technician at **Makawanpur Samudayik Vision Pvt. Ltd.** in the same company with my father under his observation. My father-in-law (**Mr. Raj Kumar Shrestha**) has his own firm named **Shuvalabh store** (liquor shop) and my mother-in-law (**Mrs. Sita Kumari Shrestha**) works as a cashier and care-taker in the related shop. And also my father -in-

law have invested money in crusher industry. Most crucial factor in life is fund. I understand the value of money.

I have already gone through the fee structure of my course and would like to assure you timely payment of installment and other expenses. My parents and my husband will be funding me economically as they have genuine source of income. They are funding through the education loan for my studies. The loan is sanctioned through 'A' grade bank-Nepal SBI which is Rs. 35,00,000.00 equivalent to USD \$ 33,605.37 as they have a good source of income including the property. As my father and mother have a good source of income they are eligible to pay my tuition fees. Also my husband has a good source of income he will be helping too. My in laws are also reputed and have enough source of income having a profit in business. As a whole, there would be sufficient financial back up for my living and study expenses in New Zealand.

### **My Employment History**

In addition to my education, I have acquired considerable work experience. I worked as a trainee architect in DUDBC (Department of Urban Development And Building Construction). I have worked as an Assistant Architect and Architect in two different companies respectively, Sagun Consultant and N.M. Global Engineering Consulting Mentors Pvt. Ltd. During my bachelor in Architecture I joined **Sagun Consultant** located at Ajaramar Road, Hetauda, Makawanpur, Nepal and worked there for 10 month since May 2014 to March 2015, where I was responsible to perform basic designs, drawings and detailing tasks. After working there for some month, I joined **N.M. Global Engineering Consulting Mentors Pvt. Ltd** located at Balaju, Kathmandu, Nepal. I joined there from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015 where I am still working currently.

This firm was established in 2014. This firm deals with architectural works, surveying, estimating & costing, 3-D drawings, site supervision, land plotting, land measurement, etc. There are two civil engineers, four architects one accountant and receptionist and a site supervisor. Altogether there are eight staffs. This firm mostly deals with residential and commercial projects. There are various projects undertaken by this firm. The upcoming projects are mostly residential works such as bungalow designs, commercial buildings and resorts. The working hour is 10:00 A.M to 5:00 PM. My responsibilities included: supervising work, preparing architectural, structural and detailed working drawings, 2D and 3D design, site supervision, client dealing, planning, and designing. I was paid totally around NRs. 15,000 including with basic salary of NRs. 9000 then after some month with improvement and hard work and good outcome I am paid with more facilities of different allowance and fund per month as there is no facilities of paying through bank I get salary through cash mode. I am working as an Architect though I have not completed but with my work experience and capability I am working under senior Architects and this current work experience boosted my creativity, self-confidence and helped me to be an independent person. Now as i m choosing for the

### **Reasons for not choosing Nepal for my Higher Education:**

The education system of Nepal is orthodox and theory based. It is not up-to-date according to the remarkable changes around the world. Nepalese institutions do not provide sufficient infrastructures, studying materials and technical support as per the student needs. The course curriculums are same as years and years, teaching methods remain same with same board and markers and even students have to wait a long time to get the result declare. There are almost four (4) universities in Nepal: **Tribhuvan University (TU), Purbanchal University (PU), Kathmandu University (KU) and Pokhara University (PU)**. Unfortunately, the education system of Nepalese Universities, exams, and results are delayed due to which students holding a foreign degree working in a highly reputed organization in higher post and they are well paid and so I decide not to study in Nepal.

There is the vast difference in the quality of education between New Zealand and Nepal. The education system of New Zealand is incomparable. The foremost thing I look forward to studying in New Zealand is to gain internationally recognized degree and to understand the each and every theory and practical based ideas over there and utilize back in Nepal.

### **Incentives of Return to my Home Country:**

Subsequently, after my graduation, I will return back to my home country as I see plenty of job opportunities in Nepalese market in the area I will graduate both in national and international organizations. I am sure that with an international degree my value will be 100 times more in Nepal than staying in any other countries. So, the degree that I gain from New Zealand would be of great help indeed. Nepal is still a developing country and it has so many factors to be developed for. After completion of my study and getting a degree again me and my husband responsibility is to look after our family. As an eldest daughter of my parents and our (me and my spouse) responsibilities towards my old aged in-laws are more emotional and it is our duty to pay them back in terms of support and care. We are the one to take care of all those things and it's our responsibility to manage. Besides all other it's fortunate to be working in my own country for my people and the economic growth of my country Nepal, living with my family and loved ones.

Since as known Nepal is a developing country. On completion of this course I will be able to demonstrate higher level skills and knowledge relating community health and therapy. The course covers a diverse range emphasizing on development of community health and support e.g. in the rural areas it indeed a need in village areas, awareness programme in very remote areas/villages which is in need in Nepal. Nepal is still a developing country and community health is very necessary to be changed and develop in village areas most probably and I have a lot of opportunity in future back to Nepal for the change to happen.

### **Reasons for choosing New Zealand for my Higher Education**

I have chosen Kauri Academy for my education in New Zealand. Kauri Academy is a private training establishment (PTE) registered with the New Zealand Qualifications Authority. Kauri Academy, the first Filipino-owned education center in Auckland, New Zealand (NZ) opens its New Healthcare Program via courses intended for gaining qualifications to join the healthcare sector as Diversional Therapist, or in managerial position in a healthcare setting. According to research the college support us to achieve our study goals, make the most of our time and progress towards an exciting career. As come to know it is said healthcare course involve a two-step process, namely: first year is Diversional Therapy Course, and second-year is Healthcare Team Management Course. "Following completion of the first program, the student gains the National Certificate in Health Disability and Aged Support (Level 3) and the National Certificate in Diversional Therapy (Level 4). This will qualify said graduate to enter as a Diversional Therapist in New Zealand healthcare institutions.

The course I have chosen is Certificate in Diversional Therapy and Community health. Diversional therapy is defined as a professional practice which recognizes and facilitates purposeful recreational, leisure, and pleasure activities for individual consumers. The diversional therapist focuses on choices made by consumers, with the aim of enhancing their independence and physical, intellectual, spiritual, and emotional wellbeing in a supportive environment. New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services) (Level 4) with strands in Community Facilitation and Community Health Work, Mental Health and Addiction Support, and Social Services. This course consists of four semesters, with three modules each including topics of: Communication, Maori Tangata Whenua, Personal Leadership, Currency of Practice, Diversional Therapies, Activity Quality Management, Ethical Support, Challenging Behaviour, Community Health Promotion, Supporting Autonomy, Clinical Activities, and Clinical Professionalism.

During my high school (10+2) education from science stream; I was from biology related subject. So, I choose this course because it is directly related from my high school course which will make my study period easy and reliable during the period. This course is also of limited time of 80 weeks and I could complete it during short period of time and go further for my success. This course will help me during my come back to Nepal because of its potential employment pathway working in different sectors like Aged or disabled care workers, Recreational therapists so on as Nepal is also country with ageing population.

Hereby, I chose this subject for my betterment in my study to build up my education quality and skills. Gap is not a crime. But to gain a lot we need to lose something. To gain the different knowledge and have different skill is important in today's world. Actually my interest from the beginning was for health related subject so I applied for B.sc. Nursing in entrance exam in Nepal after my 10+2 but because of limited seat and high demand, I could not get admission and I have no other option to gain higher education, so, I joined for engineering field. I found my interest course and I decided to change my educational track. Therefore, I applied in Kauri Academy and they accepted for the course of certificate in diversional therapy and community health. Goals and experiencing the essence of student life should be both exciting and challenging. To have an

interest and willing in study in chosen subject is necessary though the subject may vary. As I have already mentioned previously, I have been working as Junior Architect and getting Rs. 9000 per month which is not sufficient for my living and I do not see any more progress in this field as this field has limited opportunity in my country. I have seen and found that there are so many national and international level organizations where they are offering very handsome salary in health sector such as \$ 2000-\$ 5000 per month. So, I chose this course in Kauri Academy in New Zealand. The main intention is to have a focus and get a success in health sector. This will be my turning point in my career.

Before applying in Kauri Academy I had applied in Ara institute of Canterbury for Certificate in Information technology Essentials and Diploma in Information Technology which I got rejected for July intake 2017. And I am applying for Kauri Academy now because the course is related to biology field which will be easy for my further study. As this course is of only 80 weeks. Due to its short period of study I can get the degree faster and go on for further success. I have a lot of opportunity after studying this course in Nepal and New Zealand both. Previously, I applied for IT course because I thought it's related to engineering field. As Nepal has a scope for health field in future and many NGOs and INGOs are running for the development change, I got an opportunity to study the health related course through Kauri Academy as they accepted my application.

As far as I know, New Zealand is the top 10 countries in world for best place to live and quality of life as per different index published by different reputed organizations. Therefore, New Zealand is safe, secure and financially sound country for international students. It has multi cultural society from Mauri to different countries' immigrants. So, it has official language English for day to day communication and medium of instruction in colleges and universities. I have also found the cost of living in New Zealand is comparatively affordable than other English Speaking countries like Australia, USA, UK etc. The lovely climatic conditions of New Zealand also lured me as I have lived in Hetauda and Kathmandu in Nepal which is not neither too much cold nor too much hot places.

### **Previous Refusal:**

I got my previous study visa refusal on 07 July, 2017 (Application Number: 16004215 and Client Number: 63719552). The reason was **“In your cover letter, you claim to have appeared for IELTS and scored 6 bands and also claim to be waiting final results for bachelor of Architecture. However, no document has been provided in support of both these claims.”**

**“Furthermore, you claim to be employed as an Architect. A single page letter has been provided in support of your work experience. There is no further verifiable and substantial documentary evidence on file in support of your claim for the said work experience.”**

I hereby certify that I have done IELTS and scored 6 bands and I am waiting for result of Bachelor of Architecture. As evidence, I forgot to attach the documents while submitting online

application and I did not realize until I got visa decision. So, this time, I am attaching and submitting my IELTS score sheet and a letter from my college, Acme Engineering College where you can verify with my university registration number and you can contact through [www.acme.edu.np](http://www.acme.edu.np).

Regarding second refusal reason, I have genuine work experience as Architect in N.M. Global Engineering Consulting Mentors Pvt. Ltd. To prove my work experience, I have paid TDS on my salary and I have PAN card and salary sheet along with tax certificate attaching and submitting with my application where you can verify from [www.ird.gov.np](http://www.ird.gov.np) and my office.

These above mentioned documentary evidences establish that I am a bona fide student and genuine intention of my study in New Zealand. As I have said earlier, gap and changing course is not a crime, I have justified that why I have gap after my 10+2 and why I am interested in health course and why I have changed my course though I have done engineering and gained same work experience. But I decided to study Certificate in Diversional Therapy and Community Health as my passion and dream to be health professional.

**Certification:**

This Cover Letter along with all attached relevant documents in support of me contains information that is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. My clear intention to apply for this visa is for temporary stay until the completion of my course in Kauri Academy in New Zealand. I hereby will abide to all rules and regulation prevailing to New Zealand Immigration laws.

Thanking you!

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