## **NEPAL - NP**

### **Jurisdiction - General Information**

Nepal has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since June 22, 2001. It is not a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Nepal can be found on WIPO Lex.

# **Online Patent Register and Online Gazette**

Nepal does not have an Online Register. It has an Online Gazette.

The Online Gazette (Industrial Property Bulletin) apparently covers only trademarks, although refers to all IP instruments. It is published in Nepali every 2-5 weeks, the coverage is from 2006 to present.

For further enquiries, please contact the relevant authority as indicated in the WIPO Directory.

#### **Features and search functionalities**

Not applicable

### **Additional Information**

## Particularities of patent protection in Nepal

The patent term protection is seven years from grant and can be renewed twice for a period of seven years each. If, in respect of an invention, a patent has already been granted abroad, a confirmatory patent can be obtained in Nepal. Novelty considers if the invention was known or used in Nepal before, not anywhere in the world.

# **Search tips**