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The 9th “Asian Pacific Networking Group” camp was organized from 27th to 30th August, 2007 at Sherathon Xian Hotel in the ancient city Xian of China. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the organizers and sponsors who organized the event and created a platform to develop a new horizon for the younger generation.

It was a great experience for me to take part in the camp which was participated by persons from diverse field and expertise from all over the world. Being a citizen of a developing country Nepal, where the infrastructure development is in preliminary phase, the ideas and experiences gained from the camp was highly useful to be implemented in the country itself. The Disaster Management Workshop was very interesting that highlighted the projects like SAHANA which was able to stimulate youths like us. Similarly, Digital Archive Workshop and Live E! Workshop gave us the opportunity to learn about the new technologies. The activities of Local camps in China and Sri-Lanka were also a major part of discussion which persuaded us to commence such activities in our country also. The presentation from the different key note speakers, delegates and fellow participates have broadened our horizon of knowledge about the recent technologies, methodologies and developments. Besides, the various activities like team building, work group discussions and team presentation helped us to interact with different people and share our ideas in an effective way.

Furthermore, the costume party in the Dumpling restaurant was truly memorable. We got a nice prospect to know about different cultures, their costumes and their specialty. To represent my Nepali costume among so many people and perform in the Nepali folk song was the most enjoyable moment for me during the camp.

Apart from this, I felt grateful to visit different places of the oldest city Xian. I was highly amused to learn about the old histories, the warriors and the way they had preserved them. I would like to thank APNG which provided such a great opportunity to become familiar with these things.

This was my first experience in APNG camp where I could interact with several future internet leaders. I am highly encouraged by this event and am looking forward to transfer the knowledge and experiences to my friends and colleagues and take initiative to implement the ideas in my country. I believe that our effort and enthusiasm would prove the endeavor of the APNG camp to be successful for the development of the society in the future.