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**Date: May 26 & 27, 2026**

**Location: The Soaltee Kathmandu, The Autograph Collection**

**Theme: Uniting Voices for the Future of the Himalaya**

*Day-1: Arrival and Welcome Program for Summiters*

Time	Program
Airport Arrival and Pickup	Till 4:00 PM
Hotel Check-in	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Lamp lighting (Front Lawn, The Soaltee Kathmandu)	6:30 PM
Welcome Dinner with Medal Distribution	7:00 PM onwards

*Day-2: Interactive Activities*

**First Half**

Time	Program
8:00 AM- 9:00 AM	"Presidential Breakfast with Everest Summiters"

**Second Half**

Time	Program
9:00 AM -9:30 AM	Prabhat Feri
	Welcome and Registration followed by Tea/coffee
	Guests arrive and be seated by 9:30 AM
9:30 AM - 9:50 AM	Opening by Emcee
	Opening Cultural Dance
	Program Information by Emcee and Addressing of Guests
	National Anthem
	Moment of Silence in Remembrance of Summiters
9:50 AM - 10:20 AM	Welcome Address by President of Everest Alliance Nepal, Mr. Sudarshan Nepal
	Lamp lighting, Book launch by our Chief Guest
10:20 AM - 10:25 AM	Speech by Mr. Mingma Sherpa, First 14 Peaks Summiters from South Asia
10:25 AM - 10:35 AM	Big Highlight: Lifetime Achievement Award To <b>Mr. Kami Rita Sherpa</b> , Honoring the legendary Everest record holder whose courage, dedication, and lifetime contribution to Himalayan mountaineering continue to inspire the world. by Chief Guest, Hon'ble. Tourism Minister, Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Mr. Khadak Raj Paudel
10:35 AM - 10:45 AM	Appreciation by the Chief Guest, Hon'ble. Tourism Minister, Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Mr. Khadak Raj Paudel <b>Ms. He Jing</b> 'The first woman to climb all 14 peaks above 8,000 meters without supplementary oxygen. She is celebrated worldwide for her extraordinary endurance and achievements in high-altitude mountaineering.'  <b>Mr. Pasang Phurba Sherpa</b> , For his outstanding contribution to mountaineering, expedition leadership, and adventure tourism. Successfully climbed Mt. Everest, Ama Dablam, Mt. Elbrus, Mt. Kilimanjaro, Lobuche East, and Carstensz Pyramid.  <b>Pelliot</b> 'Develops sustainable, high-performance gear for 8,000-meter expeditions, focusing on safety, advanced research, and premium-quality fabrics for extreme conditions.'

10:45 AM -11:30 AM	Honoring all the Everest Summiters with Award by Chief Guest, Hon'ble. Tourism Minister
11:30 AM - 11:45 AM	Oath Taking Ceremony of Everest Summiters – Secretary of Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation
11:45 AM - 11:50 AM	Speech by Former CEO of NTB- Mr. Deepak Raj Joshi
11:50 AM- 12:00 PM	MOU Signing Ceremony Between - Everest Alliance Nepal & Peliot
12:00 PM - 12:10 PM	Cultural Performance - Ms. Kabita Nepali, Everest and Lhotse Summiteer within 24 hours, and also PR Representative of Everest Alliance Nepal
12:10 PM -12:30 PM	Introducing Country Represents of Everest Alliance Nepal
12:30 PM - 12:35 PM	Remarks by Mr. Cao Jun - Representative of Shenzhen Mountaineering and Outdoor Sports Association
12:35 PM - 12:45 PM	Remarks by Chief Guest, Hon'ble. Tourism Minister, Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Mr. Khadak Raj Paudel
<b>12:45 PM - 1:45 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1:45 PM - 2:30 PM	<p>Panel 1 -Women in Mountaineering- Safety, Dignity and Equal Opportunity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ms. Julia Hamilton- She is an accomplished alpine and high-altitude climber, known for her technical skill and resilience in extreme environments. With experience across the Alps and the Himalayas, she shares her insights to inspire and connect the global climbing community.</li> <li>2. Ms. Alessandra Pepper: A high-altitude climber with experience on major Himalayan peaks, including Mount Everest, known for her determination and resilience. She shares her journey to inspire others, especially women- highlighting the physical and mental challenges of extreme-altitude climbing.</li> <li>3. Ms. Lakhpa Phuti Sherpa: Ms. Lakhpa Phuti Sherpa is a veteran Nepali mountaineer, tourism entrepreneur, and mountain leader with more than four decades of experience in Nepal's Himalayan tourism sector. She served as Deputy Team Leader of the historic 1993 Nepali Women's Everest Expedition and has been actively contributing to women's empowerment, mountaineering education, sustainable tourism, and the preservation of Himalayan culture.</li> <li>4. Ms. Adriana Brownlee: A British mountaineer and adventure athlete, recognized as the youngest woman to summit all 14 of the world's 8,000-meter peaks. Her journey began at age 9 with the UK Three Peaks, and she went on to climb Everest, K2, Annapurna, and other major peaks, setting several records through her courage, discipline, and passion for the mountains.</li> </ol> <p>Moderator- Ms. Billi Bierling: A renowned German mountaineer and researcher, best known for her work with the Himalayan Database. With extensive high-altitude experience, she plays a key role in documenting expeditions and preserving the history of Himalayan mountaineering.</p>
2:30 PM - 2:35 PM	Speech by the Officiating Director of NTB - Mr. Sunil Sharma
2:35 PM - 3:20 PM	<p>Panel 2 - Summit Perspectives: Risk, Resilience &amp; Achievement</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Mr. Nathaniel Douglas- As a Seattle native, he is a high-altitude mountaineer known for completing all variations of the Seven Summits lists, in addition to summiting Annapurna I.</li> <li>2) Mr. Nasuh Mahruki- He is a pioneering Turkish mountaineer and the first from Turkey to summit Mount Everest. Renowned for completing the Seven Summits, he is also an author and a strong advocate for search and rescue, inspiring others through his resilience and spirit of exploration.</li> <li>3) Mr. Arjun Vajpai- A Renowned Indian mountaineer, known for becoming one of the youngest to summit Mount Everest at just 16. Since then, he has climbed several major peaks, inspiring young adventurers worldwide with his determination for the mountains.</li> <li>4) Mr. Shehroze Kashif- A Pakistani high-altitude mountaineer, known for summiting Mount Everest at a young age and becoming one of the youngest to climb multiple 8,000-meter peaks.</li> <li>5) Mr. Gelje Sherpa- Gelje Sherpa is the world-renowned high altitude rescuer with more than 40 rescues under his belt and over 35 x 8000m peak summits.</li> </ol>

	Moderator: Mr. Sangay Sherpa, A writer, journalist, and student of mountaineering. He specializes in news reporting covering multiple sectors of Nepal's economy and also has a knack for mountains and travel.
3:20 PM - 3:30 PM	Presentation by Airlift Technology on the drone operations on Mount Everest, conducting waste removal flights in partnership with local environmental bodies.
3:30 PM - 3:40 PM	Hearing the Inspirations of First Woman without supplementary oxygen to summit Everest - Ms. He Jing
3:40 PM - 4:20 PM	<p>Panel3 - Conservation organizations (Scaling Climate Finance for Mountain Ecosystems: ) WWF, ICIMOD, ZSL, IUCN, NTNC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Yuwa Raj Guragain- An environmental professional and Climate Change, Safeguards and Gender Focal Point at IUCN Nepal. With over a decade of experience, he works on climate change, environmental safeguards, community resilience, conservation, and climate action.</li> <li>2. Mr. Rajan Thapa is an experienced environmental and climate change professional with over 15 years of expertise in climate adaptation, mitigation, policy advocacy, and program management. He currently serves as National Project Manager for the GEF-funded CBIT project at WWF Nepal, focusing on climate governance, transparency, resilience, and nature-based solutions.</li> <li>3. Dr. Manish Raj Pandey: A seasoned climate change and environmental professional with over 28 years of experience in biodiversity conservation, natural resource management, climate policy, climate finance, and protected area governance. He currently serves as Director and Head of the Climate Change Department at NTNC, where he leads key climate finance and conservation initiatives in Nepal.</li> <li>4. Ms. Asmita Pandey: A conservation professional with backgrounds in Forestry and International Relations, currently serving as Safeguarding and Communication Officer at the Zoological Society of London Nepal Office. With over six years of experience, she works in safeguarding, communication, and community engagement, and advocates for climate justice, biodiversity conservation, and inclusive development.</li> </ol> <p>Moderator- Dr. Anu Lama: A distinguished expert in sustainable mountain tourism with over two decades of leadership in research, planning, and regional cooperation. She has advanced green, inclusive, and climate-resilient tourism across the Hindu Kush Himalaya region, with recognized regenerative tourism models in Nepal and Bangladesh. As a climate tourism expert, Tourovation Hub leader, and assessor for the UIAA Mountain Protection Award, she continues to shape place-based, resilient, and regenerative tourism futures.</p>
4:20 PM - 4:25 PM	Letter of Appreciation- Gandaki Alpine Club (For providing support in preparing Everest Rescue Team)
4:25 PM - 4:30 PM	Performance by Dolpa Community
4:30 PM - 4:40 PM	Hearing the inspiration of Mr. Kami Rita Sherpa
4:40 PM - 4:45 PM	Letter of Appreciations – Everest Rescue Team
4:45 PM - 4:55 PM	Special Remarks by IMTA, Mr. Haifeng Zhang
4:55 PM - 5:05 PM	Remarks by Dr. Paul Rogers, a globally recognized sustainable tourism practitioner and policy consultant
5:05 PM - 5:15 PM	Recognition to our Supporters and Associates
5:15 PM - 5: 20 PM	Raffle Draw by China Southern Airline
5:20 PM - 5:30 PM	Closing Remarks by Tourism Secretary, MoCTCA
5:30 PM - 5:35 PM	Next Event Date Announcement by the CEO of Everest Alliance Nepal, Mr. Surendra Nepal

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**Code of Conduct**

- Treat all participants, organizers, speakers, and local communities with dignity and respect.
- Maintain a professional and inclusive attitude, regardless of nationality, gender, background, or experience.
- Avoid any form of harassment, discrimination, or inappropriate behavior.
- Respect the legacy, culture, and values associated with Mount Everest and the Himalayan region.
- Promote environmentally responsible practices at all times.
- Avoid littering and minimize waste during the event and associated activities.
- Avoid conflicts of interest and disclose any affiliations where necessary.
- Avoid making misleading or harmful statements regarding individuals, organizations, or the event.