

Certified as: Domestic and International Arbitrator

Reg.no : ADRC-DA&IA-08

Name : Mr. Basant Raj Chhetri

Nationality : Bhutanese Profession : Engineer

Expertise : Civil Engineering

Email ID : <u>basantraj@hotmail.com</u>

Contact : +975 17172249

Education Qualification:

MSc. in Concrete Technology, Construction & Management from UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE, United Kingdom, 1999-2000;

Bachelor of Civil Engineering (B.E) from Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology, ALLAHABAD UNIVERSITY, India, 1988 – 1992.

Current Designation: Chief Executive

Current Agency: Bhutan Professional Services (www.bps.bt)

Professional Experience: He established Bhutan Professional Services in 2009, and in less than a decade, it has had the opportunity to lead some of the landmark projects, notably, the Le Meridien, Thimphu, dusitD2 Yarkay, Bhutan Elder Sangha Sanctuary Project in Punakha, and also associate with other landmark projects, such as, the Thimphu Techpark, and the Royal Thimphu College.

He is currently the Chairperson of Civil Engineering Standards Committee (TC-01) of the Bhutan Standards Bureau, Royal Government of Bhutan (Sept 2016 till date), and is an independent Board Director of Druk Green Power Corporation, representing Druk Holdings and Investment.

Before joining the private sector, he served with the Ministry of Education for 16 years (1992 – 2008) culminating in his assumption of the post of Chief Engineer of the School Planning & Building Division.

Additionally, he has served as a member in various committees as:

- External Examiner, College of Science & Technology's Masters in Construction Management Programme, Royal University of Bhutan, Feb. 2022;
- Committee Member, Validation of CST's Masters in Construction Management programme, Royal University of Bhutan, March 2020;
- Appointed as a member of the sub-group to review the "Civil Service Reform," vis-à-vis the role of engineering profession in the civil service, as a part of the Peoples Project Research under the initiative of the Secretariat of His Majesty the King, January 2007;
- Member of the Government Task Force involved in updating the Procurement Guidelines of the Royal Government of Bhutan, 1998 1999

Arbitral Experience: Arbitrated more than 40 domestic dispute and 1 International dispute, as of December 2022.