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Shipping Companies And Ships Linked To Us

We are working with 19 shipping companies, and have 747 men and 154 women on ships, a total of 901 crew and staff under management.

We welcome:

Joni Gurung

Gyan Bahadur Kunwar

Divya Gurung

Pemba Chhiring Sherpa

Raju KC

Surya Bahadur Lama

Jiwan Kumar Gurung

Milan Gurung

GI (HK) BUSINESS

We are providing security services for 30 Hong Kong Clients and have 200 security staff employed.



Superstar Gemini

We publish this month a photograph of Superstar Gemini of Star Cruises.

If you have pictures or postcards of your ship, please send them in to us for future Newsletters.

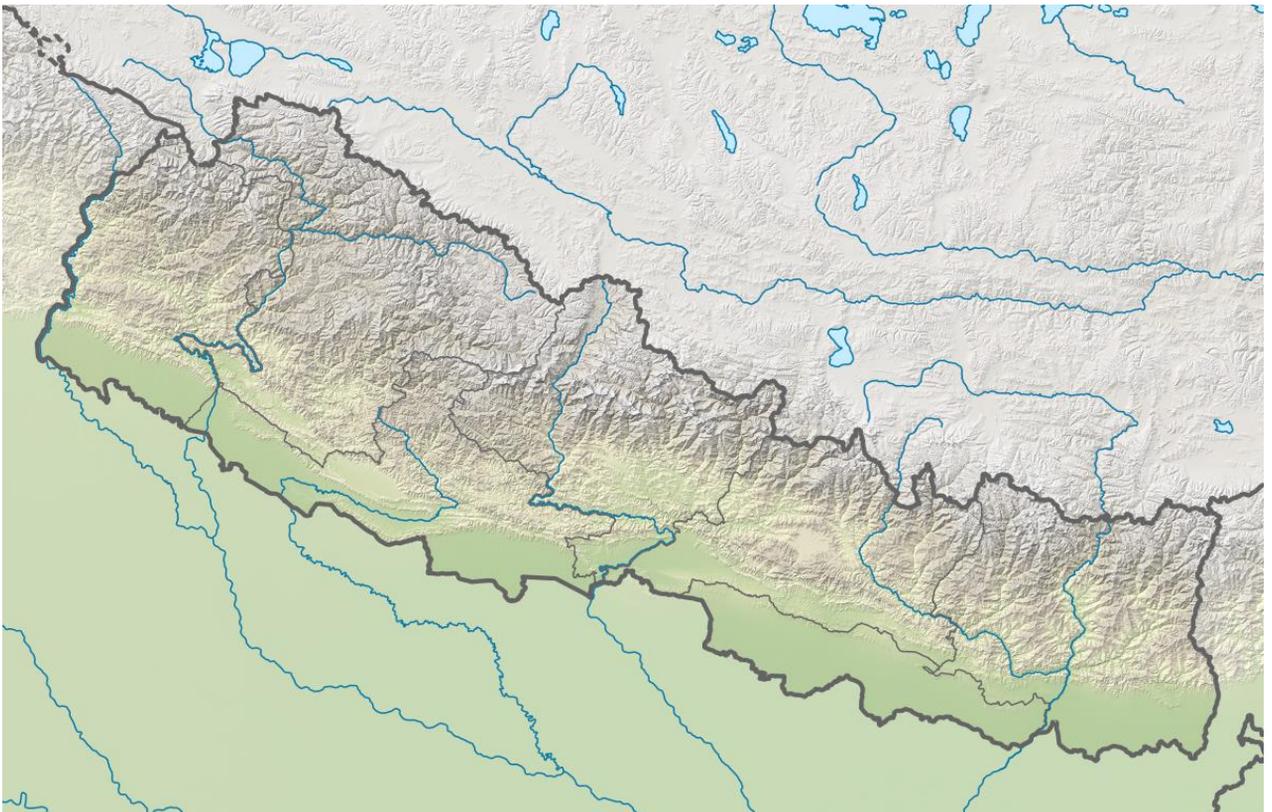
Hong Kong remains in a state of unhappy disruption. Disturbances largely subsided over the period of the district elections held at the end of November, but have resumed now that these have taken place. The anti-government parties and independent candidates swept the board at the elections and democrat-supporting councillors are now in control of 18 of the 19 Hong Kong district councils. As the government has not changed course or even issued any further policy statements, and as the legislative log jam in the government-controlled Legislative Council will not alter until the next elections in 2020, if then, protests have now begun again and the fringes have begun, once more, to turn violent. We expect this to continue for many more months.

The effect on Hong Kong has begun to be severe. Visitors no longer come, the hospitality, transport and retail industries are suffering catastrophic losses, shopping malls and small businesses are closing and people are losing their jobs. There is general fear that things will get worse for the people after Chinese New Year at the end of January, when layoffs in the workforce are expected to start to spread.

I shall travel to Thailand this month to recruit Ship Security Guards for NCL.

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World Security

Conflict continues in Afghanistan, Syria, Yemen, Libya and South Sudan.

Islamic terrorism has struck Mali and Burkina Faso in Africa and Thailand's Muslim provinces this month.

An Islamic terrorist released from jail before the end of his sentence killed two people on London Bridge before being tackled by passers-by and shot by a police officer.

Tension continues between Russia and the West, between China and the states bordering the South China Sea and Sea of Japan over disputed islands, and between Qatar and an Arab coalition that is blockading it still.

Nepal News

Nepali Army to organise various events to support VN 2020



The Nepali Army has decided to organise different adventure sports and programmes throughout the year 2020 in a bid to support the government's mega tourism campaign — Visit Nepal 2020.

Briefing about the programmes at a press meet today, Colonel Subas Thapa said that tourists from across the world and domestic tourists could be part of these programmes, which include jungle safari, mountain trekking, Everest expedition and cleaning campaign, paragliding, Ligligkot race, open adventure, Nepal Marathon, peace seminar and run for fun and unification trail trek. The NA also claimed that these events would be cheap and safe.

The government has the aim of attracting at least two million foreign tourists during the Visit Nepal 2020. The NA will organise jungle safari in Chitwan National Park, Bardiya National Park, Shuklaphanta National Park and Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve for two months in November and December next year.

Similarly, Everest expedition and cleaning campaign is scheduled to be held from March to June.

Source: The Himalayan Times

Gaurika equals Bista's SAG golds record



KATHMANDU: Olympian Gaurika Singh, who has already won two golds, has claimed her third gold in women's 400 metres freestyle category of swimming in the ongoing 13th South Asian Games (SAG), today.

Singh bagged a historic third gold becoming the first player to win three golds in the 13th SAG.

Gaurika said she was immensely proud of her achievement.

“I am humbled by all the support and adoration I have received here and hope to win more medals for Nepal in coming events,” said Gaurika.

Source: [The Himalayan Times](#)

Hong Kong News

Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam dismisses rumours of cabinet reshuffle ahead of Beijing trip, saying her first priority is to restore law and order



Hong Kong's beleaguered leader Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor has brushed aside "rumours and speculation" of a cabinet reshuffle ahead of her imminent duty visit to Beijing, saying the government has listened to the people after Sunday's huge protest rally.

Meeting the media on Tuesday ahead of the weekly Executive Council meeting, Lam did not answer questions on whether national security legislation would be discussed during her trip to the capital this weekend.

However, she did respond to continued suggestions of a reshuffle, rumours further fuelled by media reports that her justice secretary, Teresa Cheng Yeuk-wah, asked to resign last month.

Hong Kong Airlines: government allows stricken carrier to continue flying after cash found to plug finances



The government has decided against punishing Hong Kong Airlines (HKA) further over its financial black hole after management secured funding that stopped the beleaguered carrier from losing its licence to operate.

With more than 3,500 jobs on the line and hundreds of thousands of bookings at risk ahead of Christmas, staff and customers could breathe a sigh of relief at Saturday's announcement of the reprieve.

The Air Transport Licensing Authority (ATLA) said it was satisfied the carrier had met two new licence conditions, which forced it to find significant new funding. However, the authority said it remained concerned about the carrier's weak financial situation.

"ATLA has decided not to take further action against HKA for the time being, pending the airline's submission of further details regarding condition one," the authority said in a statement on Saturday.

Source: [South China Morning Post](#)

Conclusion

All of us at GIMS, GI (Hong Kong) and BGOS wish you and your families a very happy Christmas!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel Collett', written in a cursive style.

Nigel Collett
Managing Director