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# Workshop on forest product policy held

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The two-day workshop on forest product policy organised by Asia Network for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio-resource (ANSAB) at Nagarkot concluded today.

The participants of the workshop stressed on the need of adopting forest product policy to eradicate poverty from the country.

Speaking at the programme executive director of the ANSAB Bhishma Prasad Subedi said non-wood forest products directly or indirectly benefit people.

Chief of Himalaya Herbal Plants Group Mohan Baniya said the government should emphasise the development of non-wood forest products as well as the development of tourism and water resources.

Advisor to the community Forest Users' Federation Hari Neupane said acts and regulations have been the hindrance to the development of non-wood forest products.

On the occasion a host of speakers including Dr Bigyan Acharya and deputy director general of the Department of Forest Dr Keshav Raj Kandel also expressed their views on forest products.