

# ASTA-JA USA

## Asta-Ja Programs

- Proposal Development
- Publications
  - Asta-Ja Policy Journal
  - Asta-Ja Policy Profile
  - Asta-Ja Newsletter
- Institutional Collaborations
- Information Exchange Forum
- Seminar Series
- Internship Programs
- Capacity Building
- Charitable Activities
- Others

## Ongoing Initiatives

- Food Security and Nutrition
- Kathmandu Valley Environmental Pollution Control
- Chudher Drinking Water Project
- Environmental Awareness Seminar Series

## Long-term Plans

- Proposal Development
- Asta-Ja Scientific Conference
- Institutional Collaboration
- Asta-Ja Publications
- Information Exchange Forum
- Charitable Activities
- Others

## Collaborating Partner

Asta-Ja Research and Development Center (Asta-Ja RDC), Nepal  
<http://www.astajardnepal.org/>

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*Sustainable Natural Resources  
for Community Development*



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# ASTA-JA USA

## Introduction

Asta-Ja USA, founded in 2018, is a corporation established exclusively for charitable, educational, environmental, humanitarian, and scientific research and development purposes within and outside the USA and the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as tax-exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of federal tax code.

Asta-Ja stands for eight resources:

- Jal (Water)
- Jamin (Land)
- Jungle (Forest)
- Jadibuti (Medicinal and Aromatic Plants)
- Janawar (Animals)
- Jarajuri (Crop/Plants)
- Jalbayu (Climate)
- Janashakti (Human Resource)

## Mission

To promote sustainable development of natural and human resources through education, capacity building, charitable activities, applied research, policy decision support, and environmental conservation.

## Purposes

Specific purposes are to:

- ◆ Promote and enhance sustainable conservation, development, and utilization of Asta-Ja resources.
- ◆ Build community capacity for Asta-Ja resources, development, community resiliency, and environmental quality.
- ◆ Promote charitable activities related to community development through providing skills, technology and financial support.
- ◆ Conduct research to generate new knowledge and influence policies and practices in conversation of nature and environment, and environment-friendly sustainable development initiatives and strategies at local, national and international levels.

## Membership

- ◆ Membership shall be open to those who support the purpose statement in Article II, Section 2 of the Asta-Ja USA by-laws.
- ◆ Membership is granted after completion and receipt of a membership application and membership dues.
- ◆ All memberships shall be granted upon a majority vote of the Asta-Ja USA Board.

## Conflict of Interest

Any member of the EC, who has a financial, personal, or official interest in, or conflict (or appearance of a conflict) with any matter pending before the EC, of such nature that it prevents or may prevent that member from acting on the matter in an impartial manner, will offer to the EC to voluntarily excuse himself/ herself and will vacate his/her seat and refrain from discussion and voting on said item.