Book Review

Title of the Book: **My 2 Innings**

Author: **Dr. Hemang Dixit**

Dr. Hemang Dixit is an eminent writer and editor. After the several books on health and other areas (under the pseudonym of Mani Dixit), this time, he has come with **“My 2 Innings”** (memories of a non-cricketer). Dr. Dixit has dedicated this book to his parents and surgeons and other hospital staffs of Kathmandu Medical College (KMC) with following words: *Dedicated to my fathers and mothers who not only brought me forth into this world but also made me what I am today and to the surgeons and other hospital staffs of KMC who looked after and saved me following that fateful day 4th May 2006.*

The reason why he has dedicated this book also to *the surgeons and other hospital staffs of KMC* and what was happened to him on May 4, 2006 is explained in first and last chapters of the book. In brief, on that day, he was “shot” by the “spider group” while he was on his way to KMC and as he has mentioned in the book, he “was lucky to be alive”. This is the correct choosing of the title of the book as “My 2 Innings” reflecting his life as the “second innings” in the cricket.

Remaining chapters (major portion of the book) consists of his biography (page: 12-144 to total 169 pages of the book). In the chapter “How it all started”, Dr. Dixit explains how his forefathers might have come to Nepal fleeing the Mogul invasion in the plains of India and how the Dixit (*dikshit*) title came into existence. It consists of five chapters namely. Then he has explained about his early days followed by his schooling in India, London days, back to square one and *Jana Andolan* 1 and 2, respectively. He has included many photographs that make the book self-explanatory. The whole story has been presented in a very nice way. In fact, in this book, he has given his best of writing and editing experiences (either as Mani Dixit or Hemang Dixit). Many readers, specially the young, are likely to be inspired positively in their life. The content of the book is presented in very nicely using good quality paper with the authors photographs on both front (taken during surgical treatment after the shooting) and back cover (as handsome young man) pages.

The book is published and marketed by Makalu Publication House in Kathmandu with the price tag of Rs. 150.00 only.

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