

## Chapter Notes for Chapter 26 : The Play of Creation

It is Ives and Messerli (1989) (or see Ives 1991) who argue that deforestation is not proven to cause extra silt in the rivers of the Ganges plain. Information on the Nepali tribes came from Gautam and Thapa-Magar 1994, and that on Newari customs from Gellner 1992. Ajahn Sucitto refers to how the Newars gave their name to the nation. To recognise the connection more clearly, soften the “p” and the “l” of Nepal in accordance with Indian usage and pronounce it, as they do, to rhyme with “neighbour.”

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