

While the Forests Are Burning

Nepal continues to face a series of forest fire incidents

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Nagarkot's Datadol forest is the latest to experience a wildfire, as a series of fire incidents continue to be reported from across the country.

A fire sparked off by 'unknown causes', according to the local residents, engulfed major parts of the forest on Saturday, starting at around 5PM. It took three fire trucks, assisted by local men, several hours into the night to douse the fire.

There had been smaller fires incidents in the community forest in the past, but locals say they had never seen anything of the scale recorded on Saturday night.

"We've no idea how the fire started," Bane Tamanag, a Nagarkot resident told *Nepali Times*.

Local residents said they were not aware what had started the fire. Similar feedback has been reported in other forest fire incidents in other parts of the country, with witnesses saying the source of the fire was unknown.

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