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## **Press Release**

## USA becomes new leader of World Baseball Rankings... Nepal ranked 48 position

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The **International Baseball** Federation (IBAF) has recently published world ranking of Baseball playing countries.

For the first time in nearly five years, and since the implementation of the World Baseball Ranking system by the International Baseball Federation in 2009, there is a new leader in the world of baseball (*See www.ibaf.org* <u>World Baseball Rankings</u>).

According to the report, USA has occupied <u>numero und</u> <u>slot</u>. As like, Japan, Cuba, <u>Chinese Taipei</u> and Dominican Republic ranked the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3rd, 4th and 5<sup>th</sup> countries, respectively.

A highly productive year by <u>USA Baseball</u> registered enough ranking points to surpass the previously top-ranked **Cuba**, which had reigned over the baseball world since the first rankings were calculated in 2009.

**Nepal** ranked the 48th position among countries <u>globally</u> this year. Last year, Nepal was ranked 51st position in the <u>world</u> ranking. Among the SAARC countries, Pakistan ranked 21<sup>st</sup>, <u>Sri Lanka</u> 30<sup>th</sup> and Afghanistan 33rd positions.

Nepal <u>Baseball</u> Federation (NBF) has been actively engaged in the promotion and development of baseball in Nepal since its inception.

Under the leadership of the NBF, Nepal participated in the 1st SAARC Baseball Cup 2010, Punjab International Sports (Baseball) Festival 2012 and 11th West Asia Baseball Cup 2013 held in Pakistan and 23rd World Children Baseball Fair 2013 in Japan. World Baseball Rankings calculations are based on the points accumulated from continental championships, Baseball World Cups (including qualifiers), which are weighted accordingly from youth (U12) to professional-level. Within the last 48 months, and since July 2012, all officially WBSC-sanctioned competitions involving two or more national teams assembled by their respective National Federations.

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