

# Newsletter

## India in Nepal Highlights



### Gift of Ambulances and School Buses



In continuation of the long-standing traditions of Government of India, Embassy of India, Kathmandu, on 16 July 2023, gifted 34 ambulances and 50 school buses to various organizations working in the fields of health and education, spread across various districts of Nepal. Hon'ble Ambassador of India to Nepal, Mr. Naveen Srivastava, in the presence of Hon'ble Minister of Education of Nepal, Mr. Ashok Kumar Rai, handed over the vehicles' keys to the beneficiary organizations on this occasion.

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## Inauguration of School Buildings in Dailekh



Four school buildings built with Government of India financial assistance in Dailekh under 'Nepal-India Development Cooperation' were formally handed over to concerned local authorities of Government of Nepal on 03 July 2023.

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## Inauguration of Budhanilkantha Dharmashala



On 05 July 2023, Vice President of Nepal Rt. Hon'ble Ram Sahay Prasad Yadav inaugurated Budhanilkantha Dharmashala (Atithi Griha) in Kathmandu, built with approx NRs. 5 Cr of Indian grant. Members of Parliament Mr Pradip Paudel, Mr Gagan Thapa & Chargé d'affaires, Embassy of India Kathmandu, Mr Prasanna Shrivastava, were also present during the inauguration. This project is a reflection of India's long-standing development partnership with Nepal and complements effort of Government of Nepal in post-earthquake reconstruction in the country.

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## Launching of Operations of Kurtha-Bijalpura Rail Section



On 16 July 2023, Nepal's Hon'ble Minister for Physical Infrastructure and Transport, Mr. Prakash Jwala launched the operations on the Kurtha-Bijalpura rail section. This rail section has been constructed with grant assistance of Government of India. Deputy Chief of Mission, Shri Prasanna Shrivastava, political leaders from Madhesh Pradesh, and representatives of Government of Nepal were also present at the launch.

## Signing of Agreement between IIT Madras Parvatak Technologies Foundation and Tribhuvan University



On 20 July 2023, IIT Madras Parvatak Technologies Foundation and Tribhuvan University entered into an agreement for collaboration to create innovation hubs for supporting and encouraging innovative technology based startups and industries in Nepal.

## Seminar on Engineering Innovation for Sustainable Ecosystems



Ambassador Shri Naveen Srivastava inaugurated a seminar on Engineering Innovation for Sustainable Ecosystems organized by Embassy of India Kathmandu and Kathmandu University on 29 July 2023. The seminar focused on Mission LiFE (Life Style for Environment) to combat climate change and build sustainable ecosystems. Presentations were made by faculty and research scholars of Kathmandu University, focusing on Nepal's journey to Carbon Neutrality, Women Engagement towards Sustainable Solutions, Green Hydrogen Opportunities, Engineering Waste to Wealth, Sustainable Rehabilitation.

## Workshop on Mission LiFE for Kendriya Vidyalaya students



On 27 July 2023, Embassy of India, Kathmandu organized a session on Mission LiFE for students of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Kathmandu that introduced the students to #LiFE Lifestyle for Environment movement for motivating adoption of sustainable lifestyles and active contribution to protection of our Planet.

## Inauguration of Digital Corner, Hindi Corner & India Corner at Nepal-Bharat Library



On 23 July 2023, Ambassador Shri Naveen Srivastava inaugurated the newly curated Digital Corner, Hindi Corner and India Corner at the historic Nepal-Bharat Library, Kathmandu. The library was established in 1956 and has immense historical significance. He encouraged students of Nepal to utilise over 65000 books and online journals in a quiet and welcoming environment to pursue their dreams. The event was attended by representatives from Nepal Airlines Corporation, Universities, think tanks and students, and members of the library.

## Celebration of Ashadha Purnima



On auspicious occasion of Ashadha Purnima, Embassy of India, Kathmandu and the International Buddhist Confederation held joint celebrations and prayer offerings to Lord Buddha on 03 July 2023. The event was graced by Hon'ble Minister of State for Culture, Civil Aviation & Tourism, Government of Nepal, Mrs Sushila Thakuri and representatives of various monasteries in Nepal. An exhibition showcasing various Buddhist sites of religious importance in India and Nepal was displayed.

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## Felicitation Programme of Nepal's Deaf Cricket Team



B. P. Koirala Foundation and Embassy of India, Kathmandu supported Nepal Deaf Cricket Association's participation in India, Nepal and Bangladesh cricket series. In a felicitation event organized on 07 July 2023, the Foundation lauded players for strengthening India-Nepal ties and raising awareness about deafness. B. P. Koirala India-Nepal Foundation aims at promoting cultural linkages between India and Nepal by supporting activities in multitude of areas.



## Orientation Program for Nepal Police



The Embassy of India, Kathmandu organized orientation programs on 14 and 28 July 2023 for officers from Nepal Police who will be attending ITEC courses on “Financial Fraud Investigation Training” and “VIP Security” at prestigious Rashtriya Raksha University, Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat from 17-28 July, 2023 and 31 July-25 August 2023.

## Orientation Program for Nepali Engineers



On 14 July 2023, Embassy of India, Kathmandu held an orientation event for Engineers of Nepal Government going to pursue M.Tech course under ITEC in Water Resources Development, Irrigation Water Management & Dam Safety & Rehabilitation at India's renowned Engineering Institute IIT Roorkee.

## Orientation Program for Nepali Doctors



Embassy of India, Kathmandu organized an orientation program for 50 doctors from Nepal (2nd batch) on 21 July 2023, who will be attending ITEC Course on Public Health Management Development Program at Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh from 24-28 July, 2023.

## Photo Exhibition on 'Forts of India & Nepal'



A two-day photo exhibition titled "Forts of India & Nepal" was jointly inaugurated on 27 July 2023 at the Exhibition Hall, Pokhara by Mr Surendra Raj Pandey, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gandaki Province, and Chancellor of Gandaki Pragma Pratisthan. The two day exhibition was organised by Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Embassy of India in association with Gandaki Pragma Pratisthan, Rotary Club of Pokhara, and Nepal Bharat Maitri Sangh, Kaski with the support of PPO-Pokhara.

## Meditation Workshop



Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Embassy of India, Kathmandu, in association with Chinmoy Mission, Kathmandu organized one-day meditation workshop on 01 July, 2023. The workshop was conducted by Shri Vijaya Shankar Mishra, Asia Coordinator of the Chinmoy Mission. Around 60 enthusiasts attended the meditation workshop.

# Did you miss out!

## Successful Launch of Chandrayaan-3



Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched the Chandrayaan-3 lunar lander aboard an LVM3 M4 launch vehicle on 14 July 2023 at 0905 GMT from the Satish Dhawan Space Center, Sriharikota. Chandrayaan-3 is a follow-on mission to Chandrayaan-2 to demonstrate end-to-end capability in safe landing and roving on the lunar surface. It consists of Lander and Rover configuration. It was launched by LVM3 from SDSC SHAR, Sriharikota. The propulsion module will carry the lander and rover configuration to a 100 km lunar orbit. The propulsion module has Spectro-polarimetry of Habitable Planet Earth (SHAPE) payload to study the spectral and Polarimetric measurements of Earth from the lunar orbit.

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# Did You Know!

## Murudeshwar, Karnataka.



Against the magnificent Arabian Sea, with the Western Ghats painting a grandiose picture, come face-to-face with this towering statue of Lord Shiva, the second tallest in the world. This statue is a sight you definitely don't want to miss as you make your way to this quaint town of Murudeshwar in Karnataka.

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## International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre - 'Bharat Mandapam'



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre - 'Bharat Mandapam' at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi on 27 July 2023. Bharat Mandapam will be the venue for the G20 Leaders' Summit in September 2023.

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