



Newsletter - November 2023

India in Nepal Highlights



Marking 20 Years of High Impact Community Development Projects



On 07 November 2023, Hon'ble Finance Minister of Nepal, Dr. Prakash Sharan Mahat, Hon'ble Minister for Federal Affairs and General Administration, Ms Anita Devi & Ambassador of India to Nepal, H.E. Naveen Srivastava handed over Mangaladevi Maternity Centre in Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital, Kathmandu built by Indian grant assistance of NRs 44 Million to the Hospital representatives. This birthing centre is being managed by nurses and functions as a model birthing centre for implementation in other regions across Nepal, which could result in reduced maternal mortality rates. Agreements for 3 more HICDPs being undertaken in Nepal under Indian grant assistance at a total estimated cost of NRs 130 million in the Baitadi and Mustang districts were also signed on the occasion.

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Handing over of Earthquake Relief Materials to the Government of Nepal



Following up on the commitment by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to provide all possible assistance to Nepal following the earthquake in Jajarkot on 03 November 2023, the first consignment of the INR 10 Crore worth of emergency relief materials arrived at Nepalganj, Nepal on 05 November 2023. The relief materials were handed over by the Ambassador of India to Nepal, Shri Naveen Srivastava to Nepal's Hon'ble Deputy Prime Minister & Defence Minister Mr Purna Bahadur Khadka. The second consignment of relief materials was handed over by the DCM Shri Prasanna Srivastava on 06 November 2023. The third tranche of over 12 tonnes of earthquake relief support reached Nepal on 09 November 2023. Indian Women's Association also handed over essential items and relief material to Nepal Physicians Association for earthquake victims. The fourth tranche of earthquake relief support of essential medical supplies reached Nepal on 20 November 2023 and was handed over to the Government of Nepal.

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Inauguration and Handing Over of School buildings in Rupendehi District



School building of Shree Pokharvindi Secondary School, Rohini Rural Municipality-2, Rupandehi, built with Government of India's financial assistance of NRs.12.50 million under 'Nepal-India Development Cooperation was formally inaugurated by Rt. Hon'ble Vice President of Nepal, Mr. Ram Sahaya Yadav in the presence of Shri Prasanna Shrivastava, Chargé d'affaires, Embassy of India, Kathmandu on 25 November 2023. This school building is one of the 550+High Impact Community Development Projects (HICDPs) undertaken by the Government of India in various sectors in Nepal.



Inauguration of School & Laboratory buildings in Kapilvastu District



School and laboratory buildings of Shree Gautam Buddha Secondary School, Buddhabhumi Municipality, Kapilvastu, built with the Government of India's financial assistance of NRs.33.23 million under India-Nepal Development Partnership were jointly inaugurated by Shri Prasanna Shirivastava, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India, Kathmandu, Shri Baburam Acharya Chief, District Coordination Committee, Kapilvastu and Shri Keshav Kumar Shrestha, Mayor, Buddhabhumi Municipality on 25 November 2023. This is one of the 550 plus High Impact Community Development Projects (HICDPs) undertaken by Government of India in education as well as many other sectors in Nepal.



Visit of Lieutenant General C Bansi Ponnappa, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, Adjutant General, Indian Army to Nepal



Lt. General C Bansi Ponnappa, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, Adjutant General, Indian Army was on an official visit to Nepal from 30 October to 05 November 2023. Lt. General Ponappa paid a courtesy call on Lt Gen Sita Ram Khadka, ACOAS & Offg COAS, NA at the NA headquarters. In a solemn ceremony on 03 November 2023, Lt Gen C Bansi Ponnappa laid a wreath and paid homage at War Memorial (Martyr's Memorial) at Pension Paying Office, Pokhara. He addressed an Ex-servicemen Rally, of Nepali Domiciled Gorkha Ex-servicemen and felicitated Gallantry Awardee of Indian Army and Veer Naris in attendance. He lauded the bravery of the Gorkha Soldiers and saluted their courage and dedicated service to the nation.

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8th Ayurveda Day Celebration



Embassy of India, Kathmandu organized a discussion on prospects for further cooperation between India and Nepal in the field of traditional medicine, especially Ayurveda, as a part of celebrations for the 8th Ayurveda Day on 02 November 2023. The event was attended by representatives of the Government of Nepal, Ayurveda Doctors Association of Nepal, Chambers of Commerce and Ayush industry in Nepal. Addressing the event, Deputy Chief of Mission Shri Prasanna Shrivastava outlined India-Nepal cooperation in the field of traditional medicine, including Ayurveda, and spoke about the various initiatives taken to promote cooperation in Ayurveda through the exchange of knowledge, expertise and capacity building.

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Feedback & Interaction session for ITEC Alumni



Feedback and interaction session for Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) alumni of Nepal Police was organised by Embassy of India, Kathmandu on 17 November 2023. 45 officers from Nepal Police who participated in ITEC course at Rashtriya Raksha University, Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat visited Embassy of India for orientation and feedback session. The alumni shared their insights and ideas gained from the training along with their experiences in India.





Interaction session with Officials of Armed Police Force, Nepal



Feedback and interactive session was organized in Embassy of India, Kathmandu on 24 November 2023 for officials of Armed Police Force, Nepal who had trained with National Security Guard, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India under Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC). The interaction saw fruitful exchange of insights and ideas.



Visit of Delegation of Nepali Journalists to India



Delegation of Nepali journalists who were on a visit to India, met Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India Joint Secretary Mr Anurag Srivastava, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade Special Secretary Ms Sumita Dawra, and Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources, RD & GR Executive Director (Projects) Mr Nalin Srivastava on 29 November 2023. During the meetings, the discussions took place on enhancing Connectivity, Development and Energy Partnership, Health and Education Cooperation between India and Nepal.



Consular Camp in Biratnagar, Koshi Province for Indian citizens in Nepal



Embassy of India, Kathmandu organized a two day Consular Camp from 18-19 November 2023 in Biratnagar, Koshi Province for the registration of Indian citizens in Nepal. A large number of Indian citizens resident in Biratnagar and surrounding areas were provided consular services at the camp.



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2nd Voice Of Global South Summit



India hosted the second Voice of Global South Summit on 17 November 2023 in a virtual format. The summit focused on sharing with the members the key outcomes achieved in various G20 meetings during India's presidency of the grouping. Talking in the summit Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi asserted that the Global South is ready to take big responsibilities in global affairs and that it wants autonomy. In his remarks, Prime Minister of Nepal Mr Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda' highlighted that the 1st Voice of Global South Summit hosted by India had helped place concerns of developing countries on the G20 agenda.

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Visit of External Affairs Minister to the United Kingdom (November 11-15, 2023)



External Affairs Minister (EAM), Dr. S. Jaishankar paid an official visit to the United Kingdom from 11-15 November 2023. EAM called on Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Rishi Sunak, and held talks with his new counterpart, Foreign Secretary H.E. Mr. David Cameron. In his meeting with the Prime Minister, EAM extended Diwali greetings and conveyed best wishes on behalf of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. PM Sunak and EAM expressed satisfaction at positive momentum in enhancing the India-UK relationship as an important factor in addressing contemporary challenges.

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Ayodhya Deepotsav 2023 sets Guinness World Record as over 22 lakh 'diyas' illuminate



On the eve of Diwali on 11 November 2023, Ayodhya's Deepotsav-2023 set a new Guinness World record with illuminating over 22.23 lakh 'diyas' at 51 locations in Uttar Pradesh's temple town. The new Guinness World record certificate was received by UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath in presence of UP Governor Anandiben Patel.



Have you visited?

Ten New Tribal Museums in India

Preserving Tribal Roots & Legacies

Govt sanctioned 10 tribal museums across India



Bhagwaan Birsa Munda Museum, Ranchi



Tribal Museum in Rajpipla



Tribal Museum in Lambasingini



Tribal Museum in Raipur



Tribal Museum in Kozhikode



Tribal Museum in Chhindwara



Tribal Museum in Hyderabad



Tribal Museum in Manipur



Tribal Museum in Kelsih



Tribal Museum in Ponda

The Government of India has authorized 10 tribal museums across India, preserving and celebrating the rich cultural roots and heritage of indigenous communities of the country.

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