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Message from the Consul General

On the auspicious occasion of the publication of the third issue of the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata Bulletin, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire team involved in bringing out this important publication.



This bulletin stands as a valuable platform to strengthen communication, promote cultural understanding, and highlight the dynamic relations between Nepal and India, particularly in the West Bengal region. The Consulate General of Nepal's continued effort to document activities, engagements, and shared values—alongside its core functions of trade facilitation, tourism promotion, and safeguarding the interests of Nepali businesses and nationals—reflects its strong commitment to fostering closer ties with the Nepali community and friends of Nepal in Kolkata and beyond.

As we conclude another fiscal year and embark on a new one, we look forward with renewed optimism, hope, and enthusiasm. The beginning of the new fiscal year coincides with the arrival of the festive season, a time that brings joy, togetherness, and renewed energy to Nepali communities around the world.

Official Activities and Services

Consular Services

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata continued to deliver essential consular services efficiently to the Nepali community and other service seekers. A total of 2 passports were issued, while 9 visas were granted to applicants. The Consulate also issued 13 travel No Objection Letters (NOLs) to facilitate necessary travel procedures. In addition, 18 cases of consular correspondence were handled, reflecting the Consulate's ongoing administrative and facilitation role.

These figures highlight the Consulate's continued commitment to providing timely and effective services, while supporting mobility, documentation, and official processes for stakeholders.

Trade Facilitation

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata continued to play a vital role in facilitating Nepal-bound import cargo by issuing Transit No Objection Letters (NOCs) during the reporting trimester.

A total of 2453 Transit NOCs were issued in this period. 644 NOCs were issued in the month of Chaitra, followed by 633 in Baisakh, 538 in Jesth, and 638 in Ashadh.

This steady ratio of Transit NOCs over a particular period reflects stable trade activity and the Consulate's proactive role in ensuring smooth transit facilitation for Nepal's import cargo. The Consulate remains committed to supporting efficient trade logistics and strengthening Nepal's supply chain connectivity through Kolkata.

Rescue and Facilitation

During the last fiscal year, the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata successfully facilitated the rescue and repatriation of 17 Nepali nationals from different parts of West Bengal. Among those rescued, 13 were girls, and 4 were boys.

The Consulate facilitated necessary arrangements to ensure their secure return and formally handed them over to their families at the border. The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata continues to play an active role in safeguarding the welfare of Nepali nationals in its jurisdiction, particularly in cases involving vulnerable individuals.

The Consulate encourages Nepali nationals to remain vigilant against human trafficking and fraudulent recruitment practices and to seek assistance from the Mission whenever necessary.

News and Events

Nepal Gets a New Prime Minister, New Cabinet Formed

Nepal has officially welcomed a new government after the country's general election held on March 5, 2026, in which the Rastriya Swatantra Party secured a decisive parliamentary majority.

Following the election results, Balendra Shah was appointed Prime Minister by President Ram Chandra Paudel under Article 76(1) of the Constitution. On March 27, 2026, he took

the oath of office and secrecy at a special ceremony held at the Office of the President in Kathmandu.

A total of 17 Members, including the Prime Minister of the newly formed Council of Ministers, were also sworn in at



the ceremony, marking the official formation of the new government. Senior government officials, constitutional office-holders, members of the diplomatic community, and other dignitaries attended the oath-taking ceremony.

Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata Takes Part in Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Virtual Interaction Program

Consul General and officials have participated in a virtual interaction programme organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Nepal, on 16 April 2026. The programme was held in the presence of the newly appointed Hon'ble Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Shisir Khanal, and brought together heads of Nepal's diplomatic missions and senior officials of the Ministry.

In this programme, H.E. Jhakka Prasad Acharya delivered an official presentation of the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata. During his presentation, Consul General Acharya highlighted the Consulate's jurisdiction covering eastern and northeastern India, and outlined its major responsibilities in providing consular services, facilitating Nepal-India trade and transit, promoting tourism and investment, protecting the interests and welfare of Nepali nationals, strengthening bilateral relations, and coordinating with government authorities and other stakeholders. He also presented the Consulate's recent achievements and ongoing initiatives aimed at enhancing public service delivery and promoting Nepal's economic and diplomatic interests.

Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking and Facilitate Repatriation of Nepali Nationals

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata has continued its dedicated efforts to combat human trafficking and ensure the protection, rescue, and safe repatriation of Nepali nationals in close coordination with the concerned authorities of Nepal and India.

Recently, the Consulate General completed the repatriation process of a 15-year-old boy of Simraungarh Municipality,

Bara District, Nepal. Following the completion of the necessary legal and administrative procedures, the child was safely handed over to his father, ensuring his secure return to the care of his family.

In another case, the Consulate General, in coordination with the Directorate of Child Rights and Trafficking, Government of West Bengal, and Maiti Nepal, verified the nationality and permanent addresses of two girls of Dupcheshwor Rural Municipality Ward No. 6, Nuwakot District, Nepal. Following the verification process, further legal and administrative procedures for their rescue and repatriation are progressing in coordination with the relevant authorities of Nepal and India.

Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata Completes Digital and Physical Library Record Management System

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata has successfully completed the digital and physical record management of its library collection, marking a significant step towards preserving and improving access to its valuable literary and archival resources.

The task involved the cataloguing and systematic management of more than 1,300 Nepali and English books, along with important reference materials and official documents. The Consulate's library houses a rich collection of publications on Nepal's history, geography, culture, international relations, diplomacy, economics, and tourism, as well as historical treaties, bilateral agreements, government publications, and other important archival documents of enduring research value.

The digital and physical record management system has been developed to ensure the efficient organization, preservation, and retrieval of library resources. The initiative is expected to enhance research, documentation, and knowledge-sharing while safeguarding valuable records for future generations.

The record management was completed with the technical support and professional coordination of the Central Government Library Association (CGLA), Kolkata Branch, whose expertise and dedicated assistance played a vital role in the successful implementation of the library management system.

Efforts to Continue cargo rail transshipment to Biratnagar

The Consulate General of Nepal continues its efforts to operationalise direct cargo rail transshipment from the ports of Kolkata and Haldia to the Biratnagar Customs Yard. Kolkata Customs has officially issued a public notice to arrange transshipment rail cargo between the two hubs. Furthermore, to open the corridor for all cargo types, the Consulate General

is coordinating closely with the Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata Customs, the Container Corporation of India (CONCOR), and other key stakeholders. While the Indian side has confirmed full readiness to operate the service, it is understood that repair work on the railway track along the Jogbani-Biratnagar section has already been completed. The Consulate expects the direct rail service to commence shortly.



Culture and Tourism

Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata Commemorates 73rd Sagarmatha Day

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata commemorated the 73rd Sagarmatha Day, celebrating the historic first successful ascent of Mount Everest (Sagarmatha) by Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay Sherpa. The event highlighted the global significance of Mount Everest and promoted Nepal's tourism potential among tourism stakeholders in eastern India.



The programme was emceed by Consul Mr Tikaram Upadhyaya, who welcomed the participants and conducted the proceedings throughout the event. Deputy Consul



General Mr Deepesh Lekhak delivered a comprehensive presentation on the international significance of Mount Everest, Nepal's mountaineering heritage, mountain tourism, and the country's diverse tourism destinations. He highlighted the importance of sustainable tourism and

emphasized Nepal's unique position as a leading destination for adventure, nature, cultural, and pilgrimage tourism.

Following the presentation, the programme continued with an interactive discussion session, during which participants raised various questions and shared their views on Nepal's tourism potential, mountain tourism, travel connectivity, and opportunities for strengthening tourism cooperation.

More than 30 participants from Kolkata's tour and travel industry, including tour operators, travel agents, and stakeholders associated with Nepal's tourism sector, attended the programme.

In his closing remarks, Consul General Mr Jhakka Prasad Acharya stated that Mount Everest (Sagarmatha) is not only Nepal's national pride but also the pride of the entire world, serving as a common heritage that connects people across the globe with Nepal. He underscored that Nepal's breathtaking natural beauty, rich cultural diversity, and unparalleled adventure tourism opportunities are the country's defining identities and key strengths in the global tourism sector.

Digha and Mandarmani Tourism Road Show Concluded Successfully

The Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata successfully concluded a two-day tourism promotion road show in the popular coastal tourism destinations of Digha and Mandarmani, West Bengal, on 1-2 May 2026.

The road show was organized to promote Nepal as a premier tourism destination and disseminate information on Nepal's diverse tourist attractions, travel opportunities, and connectivity options for Indian travelers. The initiative sought to enhance awareness among Indian tourists about Nepal's rich natural, cultural, religious, and adventure tourism offerings while providing practical information on travel routes and modes of transportation.



During the two-day campaign, officials and staff members of the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata actively engaged with tourists, hotel operators, travel agencies, and local stakeholders. Promotional materials, including brochures, pamphlets, and posters highlighting Nepal's major tourist

destinations, were distributed to visitors and tourism-related establishments.

As part of the awareness campaign, Consulate officials and staff carried promotional banners and conducted outreach activities in prominent market areas and along the beaches of Digha and Mandarmani. They interacted directly with domestic tourists, sharing information about Nepal's tourism products, travel facilities, and popular destinations such as Kathmandu, Pokhara, Lumbini, Chitwan, Janakpur, and the Everest region.



The road show generated considerable interest among Indian tourists, many of whom expressed enthusiasm about visiting Nepal. Visitors actively sought information regarding travel routes, transportation options, visa-free travel arrangements for Indian citizens, and recommended itineraries for exploring Nepal. Consulate staff responded to their queries and guided them on the most convenient ways to travel to Nepal by air, rail, and road, as well as provided information on tourism facilities and attractions.

Pokhara, Nepal Promotional Campaign and B2B Sales Mission in Kolkata

Nepal Promotional Campaign and B2B Sales Mission was successfully held in Kolkata to promote Pokhara and the Gandaki Province as premier tourism destinations and strengthen tourism cooperation between Nepal and India.



The programme was organized by the Nepal Association of Tour and Travel Agents (NATTA), Gandaki Province, in collaboration with the Enterprising Travel Agents Association (ETAA), Eastern Chapter, which served as the Supporting Association Partner.

Delegates from Pokhara showcased the region's diverse tourism products and experiences, highlighting its world-renowned adventure tourism, wellness and yoga retreats,

cultural and heritage attractions, pilgrimage circuits, nature-based tourism, luxury hospitality, and MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) facilities. The presentations emphasized Pokhara's growing reputation as one of South Asia's leading tourism destinations, offering year-round opportunities for leisure, adventure, and business travel.

Addressing the program, as Chief Guest Consul General Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya highlighted the longstanding historical, cultural, and people-to-people ties between Nepal and India. He underscored the significant role of tourism in further strengthening bilateral relations and promoting mutual understanding between the two neighbouring countries. He encouraged Indian travellers to explore the unparalleled natural beauty, rich cultural heritage, warm hospitality, and diverse tourism experiences of Pokhara and the Gandaki Province, while reaffirming the Consulate General's commitment to supporting initiatives that promote Nepal's tourism industry.

Celebrates 213th Bhanu Jayanti

The Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata celebrated the 213th Bhanu Jayanti in the presence of members of the Nepali community, literary personalities, and officials of the Consulate. The program was organized in an interactive



format to commemorate the life and literary contributions of Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya, the pioneer of Nepali literature.

The program, moderated by Consul Mr Tikaram Upadhyaya, commenced with participants paying floral tributes to the portrait of Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya. The gathering reflected on the enduring legacy of the great poet and his invaluable contribution to the promotion and development of the Nepali language and literature.

Speaking on behalf of the Nepali community, Mr Narayan Humagai highlighted that Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya is not only a revered literary figure of Nepal but also an important cultural symbol for Nepali-speaking communities in India. He noted that Bhanu Bhakta's literary works continue to strengthen the bonds of language, culture, and identity among Nepalis across borders.

Mr. Sushil Chaudhry, Chairman of the International Vaish Federation, expressed his pleasure in participating in the celebration and interacting with members of the Nepali community. He appreciated the role of such cultural events in preserving linguistic and cultural heritage while fostering harmony and mutual understanding among diverse communities.

On the occasion, Mr Gopal Bhitrikoti from the Nepali community and Vice Consul Mr Suresh Raj Regmi recited poems in tribute to Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya.

In his closing remarks, Consul General H.E. Jhakka Prasad Acharya emphasized the historic contribution of Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya in elevating and popularizing the Nepali language. He stated that Bhanu Jayanti carries special significance in connecting Nepalis around the world through a shared language, culture, literature, and spirit of brotherhood. He further stressed that the celebration serves as an opportunity to renew collective commitment towards preserving and promoting Nepal's rich literary and cultural heritage.

Destination Highlights

Lumbini: The Birthplace of Lord Buddha and a Premier Tourism Destination of Nepal

Lumbini, Nepal – Located in the Rupandehi District of southern Nepal, Lumbini is the birthplace of Siddhartha Gautama, the Buddha, and one of the most sacred pilgrimage destinations in the world. Recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Lumbini attracts thousands of pilgrims, scholars, and tourists every year who come to experience its spiritual atmosphere and rich cultural heritage.

The sacred site is home to the Mayadevi Temple, which marks the exact birthplace of Lord Buddha, the historic Ashoka Pillar erected by Emperor Ashoka in 249 B.C., the Sacred Garden, Puskarini Pond, and numerous monasteries built by Buddhist communities from around the world. As the birthplace of the Apostle of Peace, Lumbini symbolizes harmony, compassion, and non-violence, making it a significant destination for people of all faiths and backgrounds.



Travelling to Lumbini from Kolkata

Lumbini is easily accessible from Kolkata by both air and road.

By Air: Travellers from Kolkata can take a direct flight to Kathmandu, Nepal's capital city. From Kathmandu, regular domestic flights operate to Gautam Buddha International Airport in Bhairahawa. The journey from Bhairahawa Airport to Lumbini takes about 30 minutes by road.

By Road: Lumbini can be reached from Kolkata by travelling through the Raxaul–Birgunj or Sunauli–Belahiya border points. The most convenient route is Kolkata–Gorakhpur by train or air, followed by a road journey to the Sunauli border. After entering Nepal through Belahiya, Lumbini is approximately 30 kilometres away and can be reached within an hour by taxi or local transport. The total road journey from Kolkata to Lumbini typically takes around 16–20 hours, depending on the mode of transport and border formalities.

Trade and Investment

Interaction Program on Nepal's Trade, Transit and Investment Facilitation Successfully Concluded

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata successfully organized an "Interaction Program on Nepal's Trade, Transit and Investment Facilitation" on 13 May 2026 at Taj Bengal, Kolkata. The programme served as an important platform for discussions on enhancing Nepal-India cooperation in the areas of trade, transit, logistics, connectivity, and investment.

The programme was attended by Mr. Rajendra Raman, Chairman and other senior officials from Shyama Prasad Mookherjee Port, Kolkata (SMPK); representatives from Kolkata Customs: shipping lines and logistics service providers; members of the Kolkata Customs House Agents Association and Nepal Customs House Agents Association; members of the business community, including importers, exporters, and investors; Nepalese traders; media representatives; and other distinguished participants from the public and private sectors.

A thematic presentation on "Nepal's Trade, Transit and Investment" was delivered by Mr Deepesh Lekhak, Deputy Consul General, highlighting Nepal's trade and transit framework, investment opportunities, and initiatives to strengthen Nepal-India economic cooperation. Mr Ravi Shankar Rajhans, Traffic Manager of Kolkata Dock and Mr Sanjay Chakrawarty, Traffic Manager of Haldia Dock of Shyama Prasad Mookherjee Port, Kolkata, also delivered a presentation on the port's facilities, ongoing infrastructure

developments, and measures being undertaken to facilitate Nepal-bound cargo movement and improve transit efficiency.

The interaction session provided an opportunity for participants to exchange views and offer constructive suggestions relating to trade facilitation, customs coordination, logistics management, connectivity, and investment promotion.

The Consul General addressed issues and concerns raised by participants. The programme was moderated by Mr Gagan Bahadur B.K., Deputy Consul General of the Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata.

In his closing remarks, Consul General H.E. Mr Acharya expressed appreciation to all participating organisations and stakeholders for their valuable support and engagement, and reaffirmed the Consulate General's commitment to continue working closely with all concerned stakeholders to further promote trade facilitation, connectivity, and bilateral economic cooperation between Nepal and India.

Consul-General Attends the “RELOOKING BIMSTEC 2025 – Facilitating Cross Border Paperless Trade” conference and its special Plenary session

Consul-General of Nepal, Mr Jhakka Prasad Acharya, accompanied by the Deputy Consul General, Mr Deepesh Lekhak, attended the “RELOOKING BIMSTEC 2025 –



Facilitating Cross-Border Paperless Trade” conference as an honoured guest on March 20, 2026, at Sister Nivedita University(SNU), Kolkata. SNU organised the program in collaboration with the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), Ministry of External Affairs of India.

The inaugural session of the conference featured addresses by H.E. Amb. Indra Mani Pandey, Secretary General of BIMSTEC Secretariat in Dhaka, Bangladesh, Chancellor of Sister Nivedita University -SNU, Mr Abhijit Chakraborty from Indian Council of World Affairs -ICWA, Dr Prabir De from Research and Information Systems -RIS, Dr K Rangarajan from Indian Institute of Foreign Trade -IIFT. The Consul-General in Kolkata, invited as guests, SNU students, and media representatives were in attendance. Consul-General of Nepal participated in the Special Plenary Session: “Panel Discussion – Consul-Generals of BIMSTEC Nations in Kolkata,”. He was

joined on the panel by Mr U Aung Aung Myo Thein, Consul-General of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in Kolkata and former Indian Ambassador Amb. Sarvajit Chakraborty. During his address, the Consul-General expressed the present status and challenges and expectations for BIMSTEC and the Indian Government for seamless trade for landlocked countries to ensure access to sea.

Consulate General of Nepal Interacts with Merchant Chamber of Commerce, Malda Region

Consul General of Nepal in Kolkata, H.E. Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya, along with officials of the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata, participated in an interaction program organized by the Merchant Chamber of Commerce (MCC), Malda Region, on 11 July 2026.



The program brought together members of the Merchant Chamber of Commerce, prominent businesspersons, entrepreneurs, and representatives of the local business community to discuss opportunities for enhancing trade, tourism, and economic cooperation between Nepal and the Malda region of West Bengal.

During the interaction, Consul General H.E. Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya shared an overview of Nepal's trade and transit arrangements with India, recent developments in transit infrastructure, and ongoing efforts to facilitate cross-border trade and investment.

The interactive session provided an opportunity for participants to exchange views on trade facilitation, tourism promotion, connectivity, and potential areas of business cooperation. Members of the Merchant Chamber of Commerce and the local business community expressed keen interest in expanding commercial relations with Nepal and promoting greater people-to-people exchanges through tourism and business visits.

Participants also sought information on Nepal's business environment, trade procedures, tourism destinations, and investment opportunities. The Consulate delegation responded to various queries and encouraged the business community to explore Nepal as a destination for trade, investment, and tourism.

Mejor Participations and Engagements

Consul General of Nepal Participates in Special Session at Sister Nivedita University

Consul General of Nepal in Kolkata, H.E. Jhakka Prasad Acharya, participated as a distinguished guest in an exclusive session hosted by Sister Nivedita University (SNU) on 3 June



2026. The programme was organized to welcome H.E. Mr. Benedikt Hoskuldsson, Ambassador of Iceland to India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka, who attended the event as the Guest of Honour.

The session brought together members of the academic community, diplomats, and invited guests to foster dialogue on international cooperation, higher education, and global engagement.

On the sidelines of the programme, Consul General Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya met with H.E. Mr. Benedikt Hoskuldsson. During their cordial interaction, the two dignitaries exchanged greetings and discussed matters of mutual interest, including Nepal-Iceland bilateral relations and opportunities for strengthening cooperation in areas of shared interest.

Official Study Visit to Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority, Mumbai

As part of the Government of Nepal's approved Annual Programme for Fiscal Year 2082/83, a four-member delegation from the Consulate General of Nepal,



Kolkata, led by Consul General Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya, conducted an official study visit to the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA), Mumbai, from 6-9 May 2026. The delegation, comprising Deputy Consul General Mr. Gagan Bahadur BK, Consul Mr. Roshan Rai, and Vice-Consul Mr. Subas Chandra Bastola, visited the port to assess its operational capacity, logistics infrastructure, customs procedures, and overall potential as an alternative transit gateway for Nepal's third-country trade.

During the visit, the delegation observed JNPA's modern container terminals, cargo-handling systems, digital customs clearance mechanisms, multimodal rail and road connectivity, and the Centralized Parking Plaza. The team also visited the JNPA Special Economic Zone (SEZ), where they held discussions with the Chief Executive Officer and senior officials on investment opportunities, logistics support, and industrial cooperation. The visit was coordinated by Ms. Manisha Jadav, General Manager (Administration) & Secretary of JNPA, whose excellent arrangements and support ensured the successful completion of the programme.

The study visit provided valuable insights into JNPA's advanced port management practices, including automated cargo handling, efficient customs coordination, and integrated logistics systems.



The delegation noted that JNPA's modern infrastructure, reduced congestion, strong multimodal connectivity, and streamlined operational processes have the potential to enhance Nepal's international trade by improving transit efficiency, reducing logistics costs, and diversifying access to maritime gateways beyond the traditional Kolkata and Haldia ports.

Participation in Indo-Nepal Cross-Border Conference on Anti-Human Trafficking

Consul Tikaram Upadhyaya participated in the Indo-Nepal Cross-Border Conference on Source and Destination Linkages in Anti-Human Trafficking, held on 25-26 April 2026 in Darjeeling, West Bengal. The conference was organized by the Anugyalaya Darjeeling Diocese Social Service Society (ADDSSS) in collaboration with the North Bengal Anti Trafficking and Child Rights Network (NBATCRN). The event was chaired by Ms Tulika Das, Chairperson of the West Bengal State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, and brought together representatives from government agencies, law enforcement bodies, non-governmental organizations, and cross-border networks from Nepal and India.

Addressing the conference, Consul Mr. Tikaram Upadhyaya emphasized that human trafficking is a shared challenge requiring collective efforts from both Nepal and India. He highlighted the importance of strengthening bilateral coordination, enhancing cooperation among concerned authorities, and promoting timely exchange of information between the two countries to effectively prevent cross-border human trafficking and ensure the protection of vulnerable individuals.

Consulate General of Nepal Discusses Measures to Facilitate Import of Nepali Tea with Tea Board of India and FSSAI

Consul General of Nepal in Kolkata, H.E. Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya, held a meeting with Shri C. Murugan, IAS, Deputy Chairman of the Tea Board of India, and Shri Avimanyu Singh, Regional Director, along with senior officials of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), to discuss procedural challenges affecting the import of Nepali tea into India.



During the meeting, the Consulate General highlighted the difficulties faced by Nepali tea exporters in accessing the Indian market and emphasized the need to streamline regulatory procedures to facilitate the smooth and timely import of Nepali tea. The discussion also focused on strengthening institutional coordination between the concerned authorities of Nepal and India to enhance bilateral tea trade.

Responding to the issues raised by the Consulate, Deputy Chairman C. Murugan assured the Nepali delegation that the concerned authorities would extend the necessary cooperation and work towards simplifying the applicable procedures to ensure the smooth import of Nepali tea into India while maintaining the prescribed food safety and quality standards.

Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata Celebrates 54th World Environment Day

The Consulate General of Nepal in Kolkata celebrated the 54th World Environment Day by organizing a plantation and cleanliness programme at its office premises, reaffirming its commitment to environmental conservation and sustainable practices.

The programme was organized under the theme "**For Climate: Our Future**," highlighting the collective responsibility to protect the environment and address the challenges posed by climate change. As part of the observance, participants carried out a cleanliness drive within the office premises and planted more than 40 saplings of different plant species in the Consulate's garden.

Consul General Participates in Bhanu Jayanti Celebration at Khidirpur, Kolkata

Consul General of Nepal in Kolkata, H.E. Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya, along with Deputy Consul General Mr. Deepesh

Lekhakh, participated in the Bhanu Jayanti celebration organized by Suryodaya Club, Khidirpur, Kolkata, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya.

The program witnessed the participation of distinguished personalities from the professional area, including professors, doctors, lawyers, social activists, and other eminent personalities from various professional fields. The gathering paid tribute to Adikavi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya by garlanding his statue and remembering his unparalleled contribution to the development and promotion of Nepali language and literature.



Consul General H.E. Mr. Jhakka Prasad Acharya appreciated the efforts of Suryodaya Club in preserving and promoting Nepali language, literature, and cultural heritage through such community-based initiatives. He emphasized that Bhanu Jayanti serves as an important occasion to celebrate the rich literary tradition of Nepal and to inspire younger generations to remain connected with their language, culture, and heritage.

Consulate General of Nepal Coordinates with Eastern Railway to Facilitate Timely Transportation of Fertilizer Cargo

To ensure the timely transportation of fertilizer consignments to Nepal during the peak paddy plantation season, the Consulate General of Nepal, Kolkata held a meeting with Mr. Vineet Kumar, Chief Freight Terminal Manager of Eastern Railway.



The Consulate delegation highlighted the urgent need to facilitate the smooth movement of Nepal-bound fertilizer cargo by rail, emphasizing that the ongoing paddy planting season in Nepal requires an uninterrupted and timely supply of fertilizers to support agricultural production.

During the meeting, the Consulate requested Eastern Railway to prioritize the allocation and movement of railway rakes carrying fertilizer cargo destined for Nepal in order to avoid delays in transportation.