

## **Press Release**

### **Eleventh Meeting of Nepal-India Joint Committee on Koshi and Gandak Projects Concluded.**

The Eleventh Meeting of the Nepal–India Joint Committee on Koshi and Gandak Projects (JCKGP) was held in Kathmandu, Nepal, from 30th April to 1st May, 2026.

The Nepali delegation was led by Mr. Mitra Baral, Director General, Department of Water Resources and Irrigation, while the Indian delegation was led by Mr. Santosh Kumar Mall, Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Bihar, India.

During the meeting, both sides undertook a comprehensive review of the implementation of decisions reached in previous JCKGP meetings and discussed a broad spectrum of technical, operational, and administrative issues related to the Koshi and Gandak Projects.

Both sides emphasized the importance of continued bilateral cooperation in the management of Koshi and Gandak projects with discussions focused on the operation and maintenance of infrastructure, flood management, erosion control, water supply for irrigation, and data sharing mechanisms for mutual benefits.

The meeting was successfully completed in a cordial and forward -looking atmosphere with both sides agreeing to continue working closely for the sustainable operation and maintenance of the Koshi and Gandak Projects.

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