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## **Press Release**

Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Federal Parliament of Nepal Hon. Ms. Indira Rana called on the Chief Adviser of the Interim Government of Bangladesh H.E. Professor Dr. Muhammad Yunus at the latter's office in Dhaka this afternoon.

Matters of mutual interest including trade, investment, energy, connectivity, tourism, and cooperation at regional and multilateral forums were discussed in the meeting.

Hon. Deputy Speaker expressed her satisfaction over the growing cooperation between Nepal and Bangladesh, with reference to advances made recently in power sector and an enhanced level of educational, touristic, and people-to-people linkages. She also underlined the need to further leverage the transformative potential of friendship and solidarity with specific goals and targets set for boosting economic ties.

Hon. Chief Adviser Dr. Yunus noted that Nepal is among the countries with a significant number of 'Three-Zero Clubs' inspired by his vision. He stressed the importance of harnessing Nepal's hydropower potential to meet the growing energy needs of Bangladesh and the whole sub-region and contribute towards achieving the goal of net-zero emissions. He also called for concerted efforts to boost economic cooperation with a particular focus on trade, connectivity, healthcare, and tourism.

The two leaders reflected on the similar development challenges facing Nepal and Bangladesh. They discussed the associated opportunities and also laid emphasis on working together in both traditional and emerging areas of mutual concern for the benefit of both countries and peoples.

Hon. Deputy Speaker was accompanied by Ambassador Mr. Ghanshyam Bhandari and Deputy Chief of Mission Ms. Lalita Silwal. Principal Coordinator for SDGs Affairs Ms. Lamiya Morshed and Director General at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh Ms. Ishrat Jahan were also present on the occasion.

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