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Press Release

1. A leader of the Nepali delegation and Permanent Representative of Nepal to the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Lok Bahadur Thapa, addressed the 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York today.

Delivering the national statement, Ambassador Mr. Thapa highlighted Nepal's recent political development, including Nepali youth Gen-Z's call for a fair, just and prosperous nation founded on the pillars of good governance- transparent, accountable and responsive to the people. He further stated that Nepal is being led by a female Prime Minister for the first time in its history. He put the audience across that the general elections is slated to be held on 5 March 2026 to get a fresh mandate of the sovereign Nepali people. Ambassador Thapa said, "The only viable road ahead of us is that of the road to peace, democracy, and inclusive development."

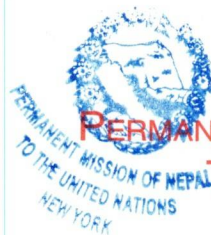
Acknowledging the UN's pivotal role as a foundation for multilateralism and a beacon of hope for peace, justice, human dignity, shared prosperity, and a rules-based international order, Ambassador Thapa stressed safeguarding its founding values. While underscoring the UN and its Charter as a bedrock of Nepal's foreign policy, he reaffirmed Nepal's unrelenting faith in multilateralism. He highlighted the contribution made by Nepal over the seven decades since its joining the United Nations in 1955 to global peace, promotion of human dignity, and sustainable development.

'Today, Nepal proudly stands as the largest troop-contributing country', said Ambassador Thapa, adding "Our highly professional peacekeepers serve with a deep sense of duty to secure peace and stability in the conflict-ridden parts of the world."

Ambassador Thapa also expressed serious concerns over converging global crises, including climate catastrophe; condemned terrorism in all its forms and manifestations; and called for general and complete disarmament. Concerned about the deepening humanitarian crisis in Gaza and innocent civilians held hostage by Hamas, he called for the immediate release of Mr. Bipin Joshi, who has been held hostage by Hamas since October 7, 2023. He reaffirmed Nepal's longstanding call for a two-state solution with Israel and Palestine coexisting in peace and stability within internationally recognized borders in line with the relevant United Nations resolutions.

In his address to the General Assembly, Ambassador Thapa underscored a few priority areas for global action, namely securing global peace and security; strengthening multilateralism and rebuilding trust; accelerating SDGs implementation; ensuring scaled-up development and climate financing, climate justice, technology transfer, and capacity-building for the vulnerable countries like LDCs; and promoting inclusive digital transformation.

As current Chair of LDCs and the President of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) as well as an active member in different forums, Ambassador Thapa expressed Nepal's steadfast commitment to collaborating with the international community in bringing coherence, credibility, and measurable impact to delivering better and shaping a safer, more prosperous and sustainable world for all.



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While mentioning that the UN80 initiative offers a timely opportunity to renew collective commitment to a more inclusive, transparent, and effective multilateral system, Ambassador Thapa also underlined the need to prioritize LDCs and LLDCs across all global commitments and partnerships.

He also reiterated Nepal's call for the reform of the United Nations Security Council to make it more representative, transparent, and accountable. He underlined the need to reform the global financial architecture to meet today's realities.

The National Statement delivered at the UNGA80 is attached herewith.

2. During the High-Level Week of this 80th Session from 23 to 29 September 2025, Ambassador Thapa, in his national capacity as well as ECOSOC President, actively engaged and delivered statements in various meetings such as UNGA High-Level Meeting on 30th Anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women; High-Level Solutions Dialogue on Accelerating Adaptation, Implementation and Investment; Biennial Summit for a Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient Global Economy; Climate Vulnerable Forum (CVF) Leaders' Meeting; G-77 and China Ministerial Meeting; Global Movement to Improve Survival for Children with Cancer; High-Level Event on Climate hosted by the President of Brazil and UN Secretary-General; Security Council Open Debate on AI and International Peace and Security; High-Level Event on World Programme of Action on Youth; UNGA Meeting on Non-Communicable Diseases and Promotion of Mental Health and Well-being; G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting; Peacebuilding Commission Ministerial Meeting; High-Level Meeting to Launch Global Dialogue on AI Governance; LDCs and LLDCs Ministerial Meetings; Consultation Meeting with COP30 President-elect; and High-Plenary on Commemoration of International Day for Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, among others.

In the evening of 23 September, Ambassador Thapa attended a Welcome Reception hosted by His Excellency Mr. Donald J. Trump, President of the United States of America, in honour of the Heads of State/Government and other Heads of delegations from UN members and other regional, international organizations attending the UNGA80.

Deputy Permanent Representative Mr. Gyan Bahadur Magar attended separate Ministerial Meetings of the Least Developed Countries (LDCs); Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and UNGA Meeting on Non-Communicable Diseases and Promotion of Mental Health and Well-being and delivered the national statement respectively.

The LDCs and LLDCs Ministerial Meetings concluded with the adoption of Ministerial Declarations, reaffirming commitments to effective implementation of Doha Programme of Action for LDCs for the Decade 2022-2031, and Awaza Programme of Action for LLDCs 2024-2034 respectively.

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