



དཔལ་ལྷན་འབྲུག་གཞུང་།

Royal Government of Bhutan

PRIME MINISTER

Esteemed Leaders and Partners,

I bring to you the warm greetings of His Majesty The King, Her Majesty The Gyaltsuen, and the people of Bhutan on the joyous occasion of the founding day of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).

Twenty seven years ago, on this day, our leaders came together to establish BIMSTEC, and today it embodies the collective aspirations of our peoples to foster deeper regional cooperation and integration across diverse sectors, ranging from trade and commerce to technology, culture, and sustainable development.

As we commemorate this significant milestone, let us reaffirm our commitment to further enhance cooperation and collaboration within the BIMSTEC framework. Together, we can leverage our collective strengths to address common challenges and unlock new opportunities for the prosperity and well-being of our peoples.

Bhutan remains steadfast in its support for BIMSTEC's objectives and endeavors. We look forward to continuing our constructive engagement with our fellow member nations, and building bridges of understanding and cooperation for the greater good of our region. May the spirit of BIMSTEC continue to inspire us as we work towards a prosperous interconnected and resilient Bay of Bengal community.

With my best wishes for the continued success of our esteemed organization.

Tashi Delek.

(Tshering Tobgay)