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Royal Government of Bhutan

PRIME MINISTER

On the occasion of the 28th Anniversary of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC), I convey the warm greetings and heartfelt felicitations of His Majesty King Jigme, Her Majesty The Queen and the people of Bhutan to all Member States, Partners, and Stakeholders of BIMSTEC.

On this day in 1997, our visionary leaders laid the foundation for this unique regional organisation, grounded in the shared aspirations of peace, progress, and prosperity. Since then, BIMSTEC has evolved into a vital platform for fostering closer cooperation among the nations of the Bay of Bengal region across a broad spectrum of sectors ranging from trade and connectivity to energy, technology, public health, and environmental sustainability.

The 28th anniversary of BIMSTEC is not only a moment for celebration, but also an opportunity to renew our commitment to deepening regional integration and delivering tangible benefits to our peoples. As we celebrate this significant milestone, we are reminded of the importance of solidarity and collective action in navigating the complex challenges of our time.

Bhutan firmly believes in the value of regional cooperation and remains committed to supporting BIMSTEC's efforts to build a peaceful, resilient, and economically vibrant Bay of Bengal region. We look forward to continuing our constructive engagement with all Member States to translate our shared vision into concrete outcomes.

As we mark this meaningful occasion, let us reaffirm our collective commitment and carry forward the work of building a Prosperous, Resilient, and Open BIMSTEC, in line with the vision set forth at the 6th BIMSTEC Summit.

Tashi Delek and best wishes for the continued success of BIMSTEC.

(Tshering Tobgay)