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Message

As we observe the Twenty Eighth anniversary of the establishment of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) this year, on behalf of the Government and people of Nepal as well as myself, I would like to extend my warm felicitations and best wishes to the Governments and people of BIMSTEC Member States.

Over the years, the BIMSTEC has played a positive role in nurturing regional solidarity, building a bridge for synergetic collaboration, and promoting collective self-reliance to secure a sustainable future for our people. The strong political commitments, growing institution-building process, and deepening cooperation among Member States have opened up new frontiers of opportunities for a more stable, integrated and prosperous Bay of Bengal region. It is therefore our shared responsibility to enhance broader political understanding and pursue mutually beneficial partnerships to transform BIMSTEC into a dynamic and effective trans-regional organization.

Since joining BIMSTEC membership in 2004, Nepal has contributed constructively to strengthening and broadening regional cooperation initiatives in the spirit of amity, mutual consensus and mutual benefits. Nepal remains fully committed to the founding vision, objectives and principles enshrined in the BIMSTEC Charter to realize the Bangkok Vision 2030 for a peaceful, stable, resilient and prosperous Bay of Bengal.

We must remember that BIMSTEC's success as a regional forum hinges on our shared ability to ensure that our grassroots people truly enjoy fruits of development and democracy.

I join the esteemed BIMSTEC leaders to reaffirm our steadfast commitments to working together for our collective well-being and prosperity.

I wish every member of the BIMSTEC family well.


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