



NATIONAL COLLOQUIUM

On

INDIA-NEPAL RELATIONS: PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS

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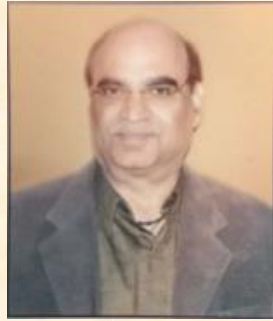
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Concept Note: Nepal is an important neighbor of India and occupies a special significance in its foreign policy. Founded on the age-old connection of history, culture, tradition and religion, their relations are close, comprehensive and multidimensional in nature. The two countries not only share an open border and unhindered movement of people, but they also have close bonds through marriages and familial ties, popularly known as **Roti-Beti ka Rishta**.

Ostensibly if the destinies of the two are so inseparably intertwined, problems tend to arise whenever **Delhi or Kathmandu** has acted against the logic of extraordinary interdependence. The **‘China Factor’** has always been an irritant between India-Nepal relations. Since the Nepal Communist Party has been in power Nepal is tilting towards China under the leadership of Prime Minister K P Oli. The age-old friendly relationship between India and Nepal seems to be rapidly going downhill. Recently Nepal released a new political map, showing the disputed territories of **Limpiyadhura, Lipulekh and Kalapani** within its borders, its Prime Minister K.P. Sharma Oli even blamed India for the increase of Covid-19 cases in his country.

The two countries share so deep ties that any such conflagration is going to be a **serious pay-off for both the nations**. Therefore, the time has come for both Nepal and India to think seriously about the ways and means of reducing their differences. Otherwise, the growing distance in relations could prove counterproductive to the interests of both countries.

This colloquium is an attempt to throw light over the **Evolving Concerns, Rising Geopolitical, Economic and Strategic Issues** between **India** and **Nepal** and looking for the way forward.



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Ambassador Ranjit Rae
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- ❖ E-Certificates of Participation will be provided to Each Participant.

Tentative Schedule

INAUGURAL FUNCTION- 12:00 PM -1:30 PM Session Coordinator- Ms. Priyanka Singh	
12:00 PM-12:15 PM	Welcome & Subject Introduction By Dr. Satya Dev Singh, Principal, DAV PG College, Varanasi.
12:15PM- 12:45 PM	Remarks By Key Note Speaker Amb. Manjeev Singh Puri. Indian Diplomat & Former Ambassador of India to Nepal
12:50 PM- 1:20 PM	Remarks By CHIEF GUEST Prof. S.D. Muni Professor Emeritus, SIS, JNU.
01:20 PM- 1:30 PM	Vote Of Thanks By Dr. Shiv Bahadur Singh. Head of Department

BREAK- 01.30 - 02.00 PM

PLENARY SESSION- 02:00 PM - 03:15 PM Session Coordinator- Dr. Rakesh Meena	
02:05 PM-02:35 PM	Address By- Maj. Gen. (Retd) Dhruv C Katoch Director, India Foundation, New Delhi.
02:35 PM – 03:05 PM	Address By- Dr. Nihar R. Naik, Research Fellow, MP-IDSA, New Delhi.
03:05PM- 03:20 PM	Q & A Session with Experts.
03:20 PM- 03:25 PM	Vote Of Thanks By Dr. Pratima Gupta.

Valedictory Session

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM

Session Coordinator- **Dr. Swati Sucharita Nanda**

03:30 PM-03:40 PM	Welcome By Dr. Satya Dev Singh, Principal, DAV PG College, Varanasi.
03:40 PM – 04:10 PM	Address By Chief Guest- Ambassador Ranjit Rae Former Ambassador of India to Nepal.
04:10PM- 04:20 PM	Q & A Session with Experts.
04:20 PM- 04:25 PM	Vote Of Thanks By Ms. Priyanka Singh.

