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Right Honourable Prime Minister Mr. K P Sharma Oli has extended warm greetings and cordial felicitations to the Governments and people of Member States of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) on the auspicious occasion of Fortieth anniversary of SAARC Charter Day today.

In his Message, the Right Honourable Prime Minister underscored SAARC's prominent role in fostering mutual trust, understanding and cooperation among Member States; and expressed firm commitments of Nepal- current SAARC Chair- to its Charter for building a peaceful, prosperous and integrated South Asia. Highlighting persisting socio-economic and environmental challenges including climate change and transnational organized crimes, he also called for revitalizing SAARC process for promoting shared interests and prosperity of the people in the region.

In a separate Message, Honourable Foreign Minister Dr. Arzu Rana Deuba expressed greetings and best wishes to the Governments as well as the people of SAARC Member States on this special occasion. The Honourable Foreign Minister acknowledged the vision of founding Leaders and importance of SAARC Charter in promoting collective self-reliance; improving quality of life of people; and fostering regional solidarity to address a multitude of common challenges. She also stressed the need to revive and enable SAARC to live up to its objectives including SDGs in the spirit of amity, mutual consensus enshrined in the Charter

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