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HINDU KUSH HIMALAYA PARLIAMENTARIANS' MEET 2025

An urgent call to action through regional cooperation

We, the Parliamentarians and representatives from the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) region, representing Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Nepal and Pakistan, met in Kathmandu on 18-19 August 2025 for the HKH Parliamentarians' meet on the theme 'Sustaining nature, empowering people.'

Realising the shared ecological, social, and economic importance of the HKH, and **recognising** that climate crisis, air pollution and biodiversity loss are shared challenges that directly impact communities and ecosystems in the region,

Emphasising the need to work together for climate resilience, clean air and thriving biodiversity that secure the future of the HKH region.

Further recognising the legislative role of parliamentarians in ensuring the well-being of both people and the nature and **realising** the need to deepen regional solidarity and cooperation to build together an inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Hindu Kush Himalaya.

Strengthening global solidarity, from mountains to oceans, for ambitious climate action, biodiversity conservation and clean air for all,

Underlining the importance of regular exchanges of experiences and best practices, among the parliamentarians of the countries in the HKH region ,

We therefore call on our parliaments to:

1. Hold the HKH Parliamentarians' meet regularly to strengthen regional dialogue, solidarity and cooperation
2. Explore the possibility of establishing an HKH Parliamentarians' Forum as a regional dialogue platform
3. Continue to share among the HKH Parliamentarians the **latest science, evidence, experience, and best practices** in the areas of climate change, biodiversity and air quality
4. Strengthen the **oversight role of the parliamentarians** to deliver effective, inclusive, sustainable, and climate-resilient policies and legislations in these areas for the HKH region
5. Organise the **second meet** at a mutually convenient date and place.

Express gratitude and appreciation to the Agriculture, Cooperatives and Natural Resources Committee of the Federal Parliament of Nepal for organising the Meet.

Adopted in Kathmandu, Nepal, on 19 August 2025.

¹ Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Myanmar, Nepal and Pakistan