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Non-Resident Nepali Association National Coordination Council - USA



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On behalf of

Non-Resident Nepali Association National Coordinating Council of USA (NRNA NCC USA)

10520 Warwick Ave | Fairfax, VA 22030 | United States

The Honorable **Marco Rubio**

United States Secretary of State

2201 C Street NW

Washington, D.C. 20520

Re: Urgent Request for U.S. Humanitarian and Recovery Assistance to Nepal

Dear Secretary of State:

On behalf of the Non-Resident Nepali Association National Coordinating Council of USA (NRNA NCC USA), we sincerely appreciate your recent communication to the Secretary of State regarding the devastating disaster in Nepal. Your leadership is deeply valued by the Nepali-American community. We respectfully ask for your continued leadership in mobilizing immediate humanitarian assistance and sustained U.S. support for Nepal's recovery and disaster preparedness.

On August 26, 2026, a catastrophic glacier and rock collapse in the Himalayan region near the Nepal-Tibet border triggered destructive debris flows through the Lhende Khola, Bhote Koshi, and Trishuli river systems. The disaster devastated communities and critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, hydropower facilities, and other essential services, while hundreds of workers were reportedly trapped in hydropower project tunnels.



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As of September 7, more than 1,300 people have reportedly lost their lives and approximately 5,000 remain missing, including 75 U.S. citizens, in addition to extensive losses of livestock, homes, and livelihoods. The scale of destruction is extraordinary, and the humanitarian and economic consequences will continue long after the immediate emergency has passed.

NRNA NCC USA, a nonprofit organization registered in Tennessee with a membership comprising [number: 13208] Nepalis and Nepali Americans, is working with the Nepali diaspora to mobilize assistance. However, the magnitude of this catastrophe exceeds what diaspora-led efforts alone can address. Nepal needs international partnership, expertise, technology, and sustained resources to recover and build resilience.

We respectfully urge you to support efforts to:

- * Provide immediate humanitarian relief—food, shelter, medical care, clean water, and emergency supplies;
- * Support reconstruction and livelihood recovery, including homes, roads, bridges, energy, and other critical infrastructure;
- * Deploy modern disaster-monitoring and early-warning systems, particularly for glacial, landslide, and flood hazards;
- * Strengthen Nepal's emergency preparedness and response capacity through training, equipment, technology, and communications; and
- * Advance long-term climate resilience and disaster-risk reduction for vulnerable Himalayan and downstream communities.

The United States has both the expertise and the capacity to make a meaningful difference at this critical moment. U.S. support can save lives today while helping Nepal build the systems needed to prevent similar tragedies tomorrow.

We respectfully request your assistance in bringing Nepal's urgent and long-term needs to the attention of the U.S. Department of State, USAID, relevant congressional committees, and other appropriate U.S. agencies and partners, and in encouraging a coordinated U.S. response.



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Thank you for your continued leadership and for standing with the people of Nepal during this unprecedented humanitarian crisis. We deeply appreciate your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Satendra Shah

(President)

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