

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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MOUs/AGREEMENTS BETWEEN INDIA AND NEPAL

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether any MOUs/agreements have been signed between India and Nepal recently; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a & b) In the last few years, India and Nepal have signed around 25 MOUs/agreements in various sectors of bilateral cooperation including transit, petroleum, capacity building, railways, border infrastructure, education and power.

A list of MOUs/agreements signed in last 3 years is placed at Annexure-I.

Annexure-I**Details of MoUs signed with Nepal during the last three years**

Sl No.	Subject	Date of Signature
1.	Treaty of Transit between India and Nepal	01 June 2023
2.	MoU between India and Nepal for cooperation in the field of Petroleum Infrastructure	01 June 2023
3.	MoU between India and Nepal for the development of infrastructure at Dodhara Chandani Check Post along India-Nepal border	01 June 2023
4.	MoU between Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS) and the Institute of Foreign Affairs, Nepal	01 June 2023
5.	Agreement on sharing Technical Expertise between Indian Oil Corporation and Nepal Oil Corporation	27 Mar 2022
6.	MoU on enhancing Technical Cooperation in the Railway Sector	02 April 2022
7.	MoU on the Supply of Urea and DAP from India to Nepal under Government to Government Arrangement	28 February 2022
8.	MoU for construction of a Motorable Bridge over the Mahakali River connecting Dharchula (India) with Darchula (Nepal) under Indian grant assistance	01 February 2022
9.	MoU between Government of India and Government of Nepal for reciprocal recognition of COVID vaccination certificate	23 November 2021
10.	MoU between Government of India and Government of Nepal regarding Final Location Survey (FLS) of the broad gauge line between Raxaul and Kathmandu	07 October 2021
11.	Joint Standard Operation Procedure (SOP) for operationalization of Jaynagar (India) – Kurtha (Nepal) cross border passenger railway between Government of India and Government of Nepal	06 October 2021
12.	LoE of Rail Service Agreement between Government of India and Government of Nepal	29 June 2021

In addition to this abovementioned 14 MoUs/Agreements, following MoUs/Agreements/LoAs on **Education** were also signed in last three years:

Sl No.	Subject	Date of Signature
1.	Agreement for a Dual Doctoral Degree Programme between Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee and Institute of Engineering, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu	06 August 2023
2.	MoU signed between Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University (CSJM), Kanpur, UP and Agriculture and Forestry University (AFU), Chitwan, Nepal to encourage academic cooperation between both universities.	21 July 2023
3.	LoA between IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation and Knowledge Utilisation Incubation & Innovation Centre (KUIIC), Kathmandu University	21 July 2023
4.	Agreement between IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation and Institute of Engineering, Tribhuvan University for Collaboration to create Innovation Hubs for Supporting and Encouraging innovative technology based startups and industries in Nepal	20 July 2023
5.	MoU between Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and Lumbini Buddhist University on the establishment of Dr. Ambedkar Chair for Buddhist Studies	16 May 2022
6.	MoU between Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and CNAS, Tribhuvan University on the establishment of ICCR Chair of Indian Studies	16 May 2022
7.	MoU between Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and Kathmandu University on the establishment of the ICCR Chair of India Studies	16 May 2022
8.	MoU (for collaboration) between Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M) and Kathmandu University	16 May 2022
9.	LoA between Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M) and Kathmandu University for joint degree program at Master's level	16 May 2022

Following is the list of **Commercial** MoUs/Agreements/LoAs signed in last three years:

Sl No.	Subject	Date of Signature
1.	MoU between NPCIL & NCHL, Nepal for cross border payments	26 May 2023
2.	Project Development Agreement of Lower Arun Hydroelectric Project between M/s SJVN and Investment Board of Nepal	01 June 2023
3.	MoU between NHPC and VUCL, Nepal for the development of Phukot-Karnali Hydroelectric Project	01 June 2023
4.	MoU between The Investment Board, Government of Nepal and the NHPC Ltd regarding the Development of West Seti Hydroelectric Project and Seti River-6 Hydroelectric Project	18 August 2022
5.	Agreement between SJVN Ltd and Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) for development and implementation of Arun 4 Project	16 May 2022
6.	Agreement on Supply of Petroleum Products between Indian Oil Corporation and Nepal Oil Corporation	23 Mar 2022
