Press Release

Signing on Grant Agreement with Asian Development Bank

The Government of Nepal and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) today signed a grant agreement for $5 million under ADB's Asia Pacific Disaster Response Fund (APDRF) to support emergency response efforts following the devastating Bhotekoshi floods.

The grant agreement for the Emergency Response to the 2026 Bhotekoshi Flood Disaster Project was signed by Mr. Amrit Lamsal, Joint Secretary and Chief, International Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance, and Mr. Arnaud Cauchois, ADB Country Director for Nepal.

The emergency grant will help cover costs incurred for rescue operations and support relief, and early recovery assistance in flood-affected areas. The funding will support the provision of medical supplies, food, safe drinking water, temporary shelter, sanitation and hygiene supplies, debris clearance, emergency stabilization works, and logistical support for affected communities.

"The Government of Nepal deeply appreciates ADB's swift support during this time of national tragedy," said Mr. Amrit Lamsal, Joint Secretary. "This emergency assistance will help address urgent needs in the affected communities as we continue rescue, relief, and recovery efforts.

"On behalf of ADB, I extend our deepest condolences to the families and communities affected by this devastating disaster," said Mr. Arnaud Cauchois, ADB Country Director for Nepal. ADB stands in solidarity with the Government and people of Nepal during this difficult time."

ADB approved the APDRF grant on 28 August 2026, a dedicated facility that provides rapid assistance to developing member countries affected by major natural disasters.

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Mr. Amrit Lamsal

Joint Secretary and Spokesperson