

Conclusion of Secretary-Level Discussion on the 16th Plan (2024/25-2028/29) and Green and Climate Friendly Development.

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- 1. To achieve the vision of "Good Governance, Social Justice can Prosperity" of the 16th Plan in line with the long-term vision of "Prosperous Nepal, Happy Nepali", environment protection, pollution control, climate resilience, disaster risk reduction and green economy promotion should be fully aligned while formulating the Programme and budget for the upcoming fiscal year 2025/26 as the main strategies
- 2. Implement the 16th Plan considering the synergies and reducing trade-offs in the transformative areas, themes, and programs.
- 3. Focus on implementation and monitoring of investment enhancement program for climate change adaptation- National Adaptation Plan (NAP) and Local Adaptation Plan of Action (LAPA), mitigation -Nationally Determined Contribution (NDCs) and loss and damage, while ensuring that the development activities should be fully aligned to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2045.
- 4. Increase annual climate relevant budget from 6 percent to 20 percent during the 16th plan period ensuring the harmony with the periodic plan, and medium-term expenditure framework.
- 5. Mobilize all government entities to promote dialogue, consensus and agreement to fully benefit from the development assistance provided by the developed countries and development partners in climate change. Take concrete initiatives to expand cooperation with the International Climate Fund, carbon trade, private sectors and development partners.
- 6. To ensure collective action and contributions to advance the common agenda of mountainous countries on climate change, the Government of Nepal has decided to organize the Sagarmatha Sambad program (May 16-18, 2025),
- 7. Promote inter-ministry/agency collaboration for effective implementation of climate change-related policy and program under the 16th Plan by building shared understanding and capacity building of three tiers of the government and stakeholders.

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