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Press Release

Inauguration ceremony of Three Storey Building for Shree Triveni Barah Secondary School, Ichchhakamana Rural Municipality-5, Mugling, Chitwan District, Nepal built under Government of India grant assistance

Shri Milan Babu Shrestha, Hon'ble Minister for Industry, Commerce & Supply, Bagmati Pradesh Government, and Shri Nitesh Kumar, Consul General, Consulate General of India, Birgunj, jointly inaugurated the three storey building for Shree Triveni Barah Secondary School today, the school has been built under Government of India's grant assistance in education sector. The event was attended by Consulate officials, local government representatives and people of Ichchhakamana Rural Municipality.

- 2. The project was undertaken with the grant assistance from Government of India at the cost of NPR 30.02 million under India-Nepal Development Cooperation in Education Sector as a Community Development Project. This is one of the 75 projects being inaugurated this year in Nepal as part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" which celebrates 75 years of India's independence.
- 3. The Government of India grant under 'Nepal-Bharat Development Cooperation' was utilized for construction of three storey school building including twenty four class rooms, furniture, electrical fittings and sanitation facilities for boys and girls in each floor. The new school building would create an improved environment for learning in the rural region and contribute to the development of education in the Chitwan district.
- 4. Since 2003, India has taken up over 530 High Impact Community Development Projects (HICDPs) in Nepal and has completed 471 projects in the areas of health, education, drinking water, connectivity, sanitation and creation of other public utilities across all 7 provinces of Nepal at the grassroots level. Out of these, 103 HICDPs are in Bagmati Pradesh, including 9 projects in Chitwan District.
- 5. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Nitesh Kumar reiterated that this project was a testament to the multi-faceted, strong and robust development partnership between India and Nepal. Minister Shrestha appreciated the continued support of Government of India to Nepal.
- 6. India and Nepal enjoy multi-faceted and multi-sectoral development partnership that is reflective of the closeness of the people of both countries. The implementation of this school project reflects the continued support of the Government of India in complementing the efforts of the Government of Nepal to create infrastructure in priority sectors like education.

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