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he world is plagued by intense and frequent disasters, both natural and

A large number of roads, bridges and critical infrastructures have been severely damaged. Houses and other private properties have been swept away. We would like to urge for enhanced financial assistance and technology transfer to support our preparedness and response.

We also call for significant support from climate funds to address the challenges emerging from the climate-induced disasters.

Even during difficult times, the overarching principle of sovereignty of affected state must be respected while providing assistance.

We also appreciate UNDRR for its continued support and contribution in accelerated implementation of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction through its Strategic Framework 2022-2025.

Nepal is committed to fulfilling its obligations to disaster risk reduction. We have intensified our efforts in achieving the targets of the Sendai Framework, through strengthening of the institutional and legislative mechanisms.

At the regional level we are equally committed to the implementation of SAARC Comprehensive Framework on Disaster Management.

To this end, we have introduced several domestic legal instruments and frameworks to ensure effective prevention, mitigation, and preparation for disasters.

We have constitutional provisions on concurrent responsibility of governments at all levels to manage the risk of disasters. Both federal and provincial governments are responsible for carrying out disaster preparedness, rescue, relief, and rehabilitation.

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act (2017) and its Regulations have been phenomenal in national disaster regime. It has incorporated a comprehensive approach to disaster cycle management – preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation. The Act has provisions to promote proactive DRR towards resilience building.

Besides, we are also implementing the policy instruments such as the National Disaster Risk Reduction Policy, National Disaster Response Framework, Disaster Risk Reduction National Strategic Action Plan, and Disaster Victim Rescue and Relief Criteria.