



Press Release

The President Delivers a Keynote Address in the 112th ILC in Geneva

Rt. Hon'ble President Mr. Ramchandra Paudel delivered a keynote address at the Inaugural Forum of the Global Coalition for Social Justice at the High-Level segment of the 112th International Labour Conference (ILC) at the Palais des Nations in Geneva today.

In his address, the Rt. Hon'ble President highlighted major initiatives taken by the Government of Nepal to ensure social justice for workers. He also drew the attention of the international community to the negative effects of climate change and its impact on ensuring social justice.

The President reaffirmed the commitment of the Government of Nepal to embrace social justice for all and in all areas as envisioned by the Constitution of Nepal and International Labour Organization. He further said, 'It is the world of work that has made the world prosperous. Ensuring a fair share of the fruits of Labour to reach the hands of workers is our shared responsibility; and this is social justice.' The Rt. Hon'ble President appealed to all countries of the world to treat migrant workers with respect and treat them as their nationals.

"Despite Nepal's negligible contribution to carbon emission, we are bearing the brunt of climate change. Therefore, I believe that adequate funding, compensation, and necessary technology should be provided to countries in order to ensure climate justice. In our discussion of social justice, we must not forget to ensure climate justice globally," the President underscored.

The President was given a ceremonial guard of honour upon arrival at the Palais des Nations and received by the Director General of the ILO His Excellency Mr. Gilbert F. Hounbo at the reception area before proceeding to the High-Level event and inaugural forum of Global Coalition for Social Justice in the plenary hall.

Following the address, the Director General of the ILO paid a courtesy call on the Rt. Hon'ble President at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. The President thanked the Director General for the invitation to attend the high-level event of the 112th ILC and discussed the partnership between Nepal and ILO.

Later in the afternoon, the Rt. Hon'ble President was welcomed by Her Excellency Ms. Nathalie Fontanet, President of the Council of State of Canton of Geneva at Geneva Town Hall, where he took a guided tour of places and monuments of historical importance around the old town.

In the evening, the President attended a dinner hosted by the Director General of the ILO in honour of visiting Heads of State at the ILO Headquarters in Geneva.

The Rt. Hon'ble President is scheduled to attend the reception to be hosted by the Ambassador of Nepal to Switzerland in his honour tomorrow.

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