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Nepal Unanimously Elected as the Deputy Member of the ILO Governing Body

Nepal has been unanimously elected as the Deputy Member of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) during the ongoing 112th International Labour Conference in Geneva on 7 June 2024 for a three-year term until June 2027. Nepal is set to assume the new responsibility on 15 June 2024 from the 351st Session of the Governing Body meeting.

As a member of the Governing Body, Nepal will have opportunity to contribute to advancing labour standards, promoting decent work, and enhancing tripartite collaboration towards democratic and inclusive decision-making process at the ILO. Nepal will be able to add voice and collaborate with tripartite constituents to address the challenges confronting today's labour markets, particularly making policies relating to the migrant workers, including ethical recruitment, decent work principles, workplace safety and health, minimum wages, and social protection, among others.

The Governing Body is the executive arm of the International Labour Organization, which plays a crucial role in determining the organisations's policies and plans, setting agenda for the International Labour Conference, adopting the proposed programmes and budget for submission to the Conference, among others.

The tripartite composition of the ILO Governing Body consists of 56 Governments (28 regular and 28 deputy members), 33 Employer members (14 regular and 19 deputy members), and 33 Worker members (14 regular and 19 deputy members).

Nepal had announced its candidacy for the deputy member of the Governing Body of the ILO on 21 February 2024 in the Asia-Pacific Group (ASPAG) and closely campaigned for the support from the ILO Member States through a series of bilateral, sub-regional, regional, cross-regional and full-house meetings in various configurations and occasions. Following the Ambassador-level meeting of the Central and South Asia Sub-region held on 20 March and 16 April 2024, Nepal had emerged as a consensus candidate from the Central and South Asia sub-region together with Iran to join Australia, Iraq, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Philippines and Qatar in the Governing Body as the Deputy Members from the Asia Pacific region.

Nepal's election to the ILO Governing Body can be taken as the international labour community's acknowledgment of Nepal's commitment to the fundamental principles and objectives of the ILO and constructive engagement in shaping policies and setting standards for making the world of work just, decent and equitable. This is the second time that Nepal got the seat in the Governing Body ever since joining the International Labour Organization in 1966.

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