



## नेपाली राजद्तावास EMBASSY OF NEPAL

Pretoria,
The Republic of South Africa

## Press Release on Working Visit to Cape Town

His Excellency Ambassador-designate Dan Bahadur Tamang had a working visit to Cape Town, a legislative seat and one of the major tourist destinations of the Republic of South Africa, from 8 to 12 February 2023.

The Ambassador attended the annual Ubuntu Awards Ceremony hosted by Honourable Dr. Naledi Pandor, Minister of International Relations and Cooperation of South Africa, at Cape Town International Convention Centre the day before yesterday. On the margins of this event, Ambassador Tamang held brief discussions with Hon. Foreign Minister Dr. Pandor in further advancing ever-growing Nepal-South Africa cooperation in important areas mutually beneficial to both countries.

Earlier, Ambassador Tamang partook, at the invitation of Hon. Mr. Alan Richard Winde, Premier of Western Cape province of South Africa, in the annual Diplomatic Brunch, and capitalized on the opportunity to discuss on prospective areas of cooperation at provincial levels between Nepal and South Africa.

During this five-day visit, the Ambassador met with Ms. Wrenelle Stander, Chief Executive Officer and other officials of WESGRO, Cape Town and Western Cape Tourism, Trade and Investment Promotion Agency, and exchanged views on further strengthening business partnerships, particularly in trade, tourism and FDI between private business communities of Nepal and South Africa.

Besides, the Ambassador held separate meetings with Managing Directors of Cape Town based travel and tour operators- Flightsite Club Travel, Steadfast Africa Travel, Divine Africa Tours and Travel, Embassy Travel, and Himalayan Yoga and Trek, to name a few, and also engaged in some functions organized by Cape Town University and High Commissioners/Ambassadors of friendly countries accredited to South Africa. In discussions with travel and tour operators, Ambassador Tamang highlighted Nepal's key touristic destinations, briefed about the observation of 2023-2033 period as a Decade of Visit Nepal, and called on them to include a splendidly beautiful Nepal as a spectacular tourism destination for South Africans and international tourists in their promotional and tour packages.

Further, the Ambassador met with some Nepalis residing and working in Cape Town and assured them of the Embassy's expeditious and on-demand consular assistance to make their employment status and stay really hassle-free.

Ambassador Tamang was accompanied by Mr. Gyan Bahadur Magar, Counsellor, during the visit.

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