



Non-Resident Nepali Association (NRNA)

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Statement

We are delighted that the bill to amend the 'Nepal Citizenship Act, 2063' has been certified by the Honorable President Mr. Ramchandra Paudel. This bill opens the way for obtaining 'Non-Resident Nepalese Citizenship' with economic, social, and cultural rights as provided by the 'Constitution of Nepal 2072'.

It addresses the long-standing demand for 'Non-Resident Nepali Citizenship' from millions of non-resident Nepalis scattered around the world since 2003, as verified in accordance with Article 61 Clause (2) (3) (4) and Article 66 of the Constitution of Nepal, and the principle established by the Supreme Court.

We also have confidence that this step by the Honorable President will soon give meaning to the original mantra of 'Once a Nepali, always a Nepali'. Furthermore, we acknowledge the added responsibility of connecting Nepali people worldwide to their homeland and utilizing the knowledge, skills, and capital acquired abroad to benefit Nepal. We believe that this step will create a favorable environment for the security and investment of the assets of Non-Resident Nepali in Nepal.

Last but not least, we express our gratitude to the Honorable Prime Minister of the Government of Nepal, Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives, Honorable President of the National Assembly, Ministers, Members of Parliament, Chief Secretary of the Government of Nepal, Secretaries, all political parties leaders, lawyers, stakeholders, media personnel, founders, executives, and activists of the Non-resident Nepali Association, as well as the Head and members of the Citizenship Continuity Task Force and all those who played a significant role in achieving this historic milestone.

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