

## **Joint Launch of Special Logo to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the establishment of formal diplomatic relations between India and Bhutan**

The Golden Jubilee of the establishment of formal diplomatic relations between India and Bhutan is being celebrated in the year 2018. To mark the launch of the Golden jubilee celebrations, External Affairs Minister Smt. Sushma Swaraj and Minister of Foreign Affairs H.E. Lyonpo Damcho Dorji, today, jointly unveiled the 'Special logo' for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in New Delhi and Thimphu through video-conference.

In her remarks on the occasion, External Affairs Minister said that exemplary ties of friendship and cooperation between India and Bhutan are built on shared values and priorities, utmost trust and understanding, mutual respect and sensitivity to each other's interests. Along with partnership between the two governments, people to people contacts provide depth, character and vibrancy to the relationship.

External Affairs Minister recalled the vision, wisdom and foresight of successive political leadership in India and Their Majesties the Revered Kings of Bhutan, who laid the strong foundation for this special and unique relationship, and continue to provide their personal guidance to advance it for the well being of the two peoples.

As the people of the two countries jointly celebrate the accomplishments of the last fifty years, EAM called for renewed commitment and efforts from all stakeholders to realize the full potential of the India-Bhutan partnership for mutual benefit. External Affairs Minister reaffirmed India's abiding commitment to build on the strong foundations of cooperative partnership with Bhutan.

To mark this milestone, besides high-level exchanges, both India and Bhutan have planned a series of special commemorative initiatives, cultural activities, exhibitions and seminars throughout the year.

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