



**Appeal to contribute generously for the relief of victims
of Koshi Tragedy**

Dear friends,

Nepal is devastated by yet another tragedy. As you are aware, the catastrophe following the Saptakoshi embankment collapse has caused deaths of many people and a huge loss of properties in Eastern Nepal. Due to the flood, more than 60,000 people have been displaced from their homes. According to a government report the flooded river has completely inundated four VDCs including Sripur, Haripur, Laukahi and Western Kushaha of the district. The entire country is smarting from this tragedy and people are taking initiatives to help the victims in whatever way they can. I was in Kathmandu and first hand witnessed people's reaction to this tragedy. During such calamities, no amount of resources is adequate. The newly formed government has appealed for national and international aid to help the victims.

Using my presence in Kathmandu and with a view to help keep momentum of relief aid personally contributed NRs 5,100,000 to the Prime Minister's Natural Calamity Rescue Relief Fund.

Friends, I, on behalf of the NRNA call on all Nepalis residing outside of Nepal to extend their helping hand in this difficult time for our motherland. I humbly request you all to raise relief funds in your countries of residence through respective National Coordination Councils. We have specially opened bank account in Nepal for fund transfer. The details of the account are available in our website. I sincerely believe, our NRN friends will not be failing the nation and will donate generously for this humanitarian cause this time as during the past such disasters. Please kindly let us know if you have already donated through other channels. I kindly request the ICC Charity Task Force Coordinator Mr. Jiba Nath Lamichhane to coordinate the NRN fund raising efforts.

Our contributions can make a difference in the lives of those, who have suffered from this calamity.

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President