Priorities

Nepal is going through a post-conflict transition; the last 10 years has brought Nepal society from a feudal monarchy to a republic through conflict and civil war. After the successful Constituent Assembly Elections in November 2013, the country now urgently needs a new constitution, a stable government and strong democratic institutions to pave the way for economic recovery.

The EU has been a key supporter to the consolidation of democracy in Nepal, most recently through its diplomatic, financial and observation assistance to the elections held on 19 November 2013.

The EU-Nepal strategy focuses on poverty reduction, rural development, human rights, environmental conservation, basic and primary education, food security, conflict mitigation, economic capacity and peace building.

Did you know?

Nepal contains the highest elevations in the world, including the Mount Everest and seven other of the world’s eight thousand metre peaks. Mountaineering and other types of adventure tourism and ecotourism are important attractions for visitors. More than 800,000 foreign tourists visited the Himalayan nation last year.

Lumbini, the world heritage site, birthplace of Siddhartha Gautama, Buddha, is located in southern Nepal, and has been one of the most important Buddhist pilgrimage centres from as early as the 3rd century BC. Nevertheless, the most followed religion in Nepal is the Hinduism.

The national flag of Nepal is the only national flag in the world that is not rectangular in shape. The flag is a simplified combination of two single pennants.

Its official description says that the red in the flag stands for victory in war and the blue border implies peace.

Top 3 Facts

EU funds for cooperation with Nepal amounts to €360 million in the period 2014-2020, up from €120 million in the period 2007-2013.

The EU is among Nepal’s main trading partners accounting for over 12% of Nepal’s exports to the world. In 2012 Nepal’s exports to the EU amounted to €79 million while imports from the EU reached €103 million.

The volume of remittances sent by Nepalese living abroad amounts to about 20% of its Gross Domestic Product.
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