



Press Release on the Meeting of Foreign Secretary Mr. Shanker Das Bairagi with H. E. Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Albusaidi, Secretary General of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman

Foreign Secretary Mr. Shanker Das Bairagi had a meeting with H. E. Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Albusaidi, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman this morning in Muscat. In a friendly atmosphere, they discussed a wide range of issues pertaining to the promotion of bilateral relations.

Expressing happiness over the cordial relations existing between the two countries, they underlined the importance of exchanging high level visits for strengthening bilateral relations. Foreign Secretary Mr. Bairagi stated that Nepal has very good legal and regulatory architecture for foreign investment, and shared Nepal's willingness to forge strong economic partnership with Oman for the development of infrastructures, energy and other sectors in Nepal.

Mr. Bairagi underscored that the conclusion of MoUs on labor, tourism cooperation and visa waiver for the holders of diplomatic and official passports would further enhance the ties between the two countries.

Mr. Bairagi also hoped that the two countries would soon convene the meeting of bilateral consultation mechanism. Establishing a permanent diplomatic presence in Nepal by Oman would further contribute to our friendly relations, said the Foreign Secretary.

The Foreign Secretary also admired the peace, stability, progress and development of Oman.

Receiving Mr. Bairagi in his office, H. E. Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Albusaidi, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman, recalled the visit to Oman by the then Prime Minister of Nepal in 2017. He responded positively on the proposal to enhance bilateral economic partnership and promote investment from Oman in Nepal.

While Mr. Bairagi was accompanied by H. E. Sarmila Parajuli Dhakal, Ambassador of Nepal to the Sultanate of Oman; H. E. Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Albusaidi was accompanied by H. E. Khalifa bin Ali bin Issa Alharthy, Undersecretary of Diplomatic Affairs and H. E. Sheikh Hilal bin Marhoon Al-Maamari, Head of West Asia Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman during the meeting.

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