

**Embassy of India,**

**Thimphu**

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**Press Release**

**Visit of a business delegation from Indian Chamber of Commerce, Kolkata to Bhutan (02-04 July 2024)**

The Embassy of India in Thimphu organized a special interactive session on 03 July 2024, at the India House for a business delegation from the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC), led by its President, Shri Ameya Prabhu. Senior officials from the Royal Government, members of the Bhutan Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I), representatives from prominent business associations, eminent entrepreneurs from Bhutan attended the session.

2. During his interaction with the ICC delegation, Ambassador of India to Bhutan, Shri Sudhakar Dalela, highlighted the remarkable growth in India-Bhutan trade and economic partnership. The Ambassador shared with the delegation the recent initiatives undertaken by two governments to boost connectivity and trade facilitation, stressing significant opportunities to further strengthen trade and economic ties between the two countries.

3. President Shri Ameya Prabhu affirmed ICC's commitment to working closely with the Bhutanese business community to advance India-Bhutan business collaboration across sectors of mutual interest. The business engagement provided a platform for engaging conversations on expanding trade and economic ties between India and Bhutan, looking into the future.

4. The ICC delegation is visiting Bhutan from 02-04 July 2024. It comprises eminent Indian business leaders from various sectors including infrastructure, hospitality, health-care, and technology. During the visit, the delegation called-on Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bhutan Dasho Tshering Topgay, Minister for Industry, Commerce & Employment Lyonpo Namgyal Dorji, Minister of Finance Lyonpo Lekey Dorji, and the Minister for Education and Skill Development Lyonpo Yeezang De Thapa. They held fruitful interactions on expanding India-Bhutan trade and economic ties with the Bhutanese business community at a special business session hosted by the Dasho Tandy Wangchuk, President of the Bhutan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

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