



BANGLADESH – INDIA – BHUTAN - NEPAL (BIBN)

FRIENDSHIP CAR RALLY 2023

From 24th September – 9th October 2023

**For promotion of Trade & Tourism, People to People Contact &
Historical Linkage between BANGLADESH – INDIA - BHUTAN -
NEPAL (BIBN)**

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**NORTH EAST FEDERATION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE
(NEFIT)**

- **BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023 routes originating from Guwahati to Guwahati via Bhutan, Nepal & Bangladesh**
- **From 24th September – 9th October, 2023**
- **Approximate distance to cover: 2978 Km (Approx)**
- **Number of Days/Nights : 12 Days 11 Nights**

Bangladesh – India - Bhutan – Nepal (BIBN) Friendship Car Rally 2023

Guwahati (IND) > Bongaigaon (IND) > Gelephu (BHU) > Thimphu (BHU) > Phuentsholing (BHU) > Siliguri (IND) > Panitanki (IND) > Kakarvitta (NPL) > Mithila (NPL) > Kathmandu (NPL) > Mithila (NPL) > Kakarvitta (NPL) > Panitanki (IND) > Siliguri (IND) > Tura (IND) > Dalu (IND) > Nakugaon (BAN) > Dhaka (BAN) > Sylhet (BAN) > Tamabil (BAN) > Dawki (IND) > Shillong (IND) > Guwahati (IND)

Event Theme:

“Mapping Connectivity of North East India with BBIN countries in the perspective of building bilateral relations of trade, investment, Culture and Historical Linkages and to identify the practical tribulations and concerns in starting up and make the road connectivity operational between the four countries Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal. To launch the North East Region brand to the rest of the country and the world. It is based on a concept that melds the people and cultural heritage of NER with youthful adventure to frame and connect to Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal.

The Proposal in Brief:

Two years of back to back disruptions due the COVID19 pandemic has created a negative sentiment in the overall international business environment. Countries like India took up leadership position in developing and manufacturing of vaccines, and systematically administering it to its massive population and also helped other countries in doing so. Due to India's cumulative and all encompassing effort the virus has weaken to a great extend and the pandemic is now under control in large parts of the world. Now it is time to awaken the animal spirit in business and entrepreneurship, and reboot international trade and commerce. While doing so it is also important to highlight the stellar role played by India to bring the pandemic under control.

To reboot economic actives with our neighboring countries of Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal, North East Federation on International Trade (NEFIT) is organizing the **“BIBN FRIENDSHIP CAR RALLY 2023”**, starting from Guwahati in the state of Assam and ending at Guwahati, Assam moving across Bongaigaon, Gelephu, Thimphu, Siliguri, Mithila, Kathmandu, Siliguri, Tura, Dhaka, Sylhet, Shillong and Guwahati.

This is a kind of confidence building measure that will open up a new dimension of overland trading and dispel many doubts of prospective traders. The follow-up action of the “Act East Policy” of the Government of India is creating a bright economic prospect of overland trade of commodities of North East India with BBIN countries.

Looking forward with the new direction given by our Hon’ble Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi regarding with the India’s “Act East Policy”, it is our high hope to break the mental and psychological barriers towards North East India and to transform it to a part of International trade by land connectivity BBIN member countries.

The rally is a self drive expedition and not a sport; composing 5 SUVs and 20 participants from all walks of life will drive from Guwahati, Assam and ending at Guwahati, Assam moving across, Bongaigaon, Gelephu, Thimphu, Siliguri, Mithila, Kathmandu, Siliguri, Tura, Dhaka, Sylhet, Shillong covering four BBIN countries viz, Bangladesh, India, Bhutan, and Nepal. During the rally, we are organizing business meets in Thimphu, Kathmandu, and Dhaka where official programs of the rally will be closed in presence of dignitaries from the participant countries to promote tourism, trade and people to people contact among the BBIN member countries

The Rally will certainly reaffirm the physical and emotional connectivity that binds the BBIN region.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES:

The broad objectives of the event are:

- To promote the ‘Act East’ policy of the Government of India in the perspective of linking NE India with Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal.
- Highlight India’s Leadership role as President of G20 nations in the integration of the Indian Sub-continent with respect to economy and security.
- To promote direct physical connectivity by road, rail and air between North East India Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal for more Trans border Trade and investments.
- To promote and harness true Trade potential of India through the North East with Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal, and to explore new market for produce and products of India.
- To promote more bilateral relations in the spirit of friendship and understanding between Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal. To promote Northeast India as the land corridor and gateway for BBIN member countries
- To re-establish and strengthen the age-old historical linkages, culture and linguistic affinities of the people of the regions
- Promote the celebration of 200 years of Assam Tea.
- To promote opening of more Border Trade points between Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal.
- To promote the advantages of setting up Industrial ventures in the North East with regard to its unique geo-political location and incentives offered by various state governments of North East India.
- Promote Assam as a Start-up destination for innovation and entrepreneurship, with great physical and digital infrastructure and a quick and transparent single window clearance system

- To promote North East India as a clean, green and an eco-friendly tourist destination for high-end as well as budget travellers, and
- To promote north East India as trade and other bilateral trade destination among the BBIN Countries.
- To promote adventure sports along with Indian made vehicles in overseas countries.
- To promote Indian Manufacturing Companies in overseas countries as a flagship programme of Make in India Mission



BIBN FRIENDSHIP CAR RALLY 2023

DAY TO DAY REPORT

On Day 0, Dated 24.09.2023: Briefing to all the Rally Participants and do the arrangement of the Sticker for all the BIBN Friendship Car Rally Vehicles

On Day 0, Dated 25.09.2023: Press Meet at India Club, Guwahati regarding BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023 at 10 am. After Press Meet NEFIT hosted Lunch to the media personals. All the Reputed Media house and Electronic Media persons are present at this Press Meet in connection with BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023.

On Day 1, Dated 28.09.2023 a convoy of 5 cars with 20 participants representing of BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023 was flag off from Nehru Stadium, Guwahati at 8.00 am by Shri Pijush Hazaraka, Hon'ble Minister, Water Resources Information & Public Relations Parliamentary Affairs, Govt. of Assam, His Excellency Ruhul Amin, Assistant High Commissioner of Bangladesh to India at Guwahati, Smti. Queen Oja, Member of Parliament, Guwahati Constituency, Shri Diganta Kalita, Member of Legislative Assembly, Kamalpur constituency, Shri Jatin Bora, Film Actor. After having breakfast the convoy of **BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023** starts at 9.30 am and the convoy reached Bongaigaon Refinery Limited around 12.30 pm. All the participants of the Rally are given a warm reception by the officials of the Bongaigaon Refinery Limited with gifts. After lunch the convoy proceed towards Royal Kingdom of Bhutan and reached BOP Dadgari at around 3.30 pm. After completing necessary paperwork to enter Bhutan, the convoy reached Hotel the Kuku Grand, Gelephu, Royal Kingdom of Bhutan at around 4.30 pm. Dinner and night halt at Gelephu, Royal Kingdom of Bhutan.

On Day 2. Dated 29.09.2023 After breakfast all the participants and vehicles went to ICP, Gelephu, Royal Kingdom of Bhutan for further paperwork to drive towards Thimphu. Necessary paperwork visa stamping is completed around 11.00 am local time and the convoy proceed towards Thimphu. Around 2.00 pm local time the convoy reached the beautiful town of Damphu on the way to Thimphu in Royal Kingdom of Bhutan where the convoy took a stoppage for taking lunch by the participants at Tashi Yangkhel Restaurant, Damphu. After lunch the convoy left Damphu town around 3.30 pm local time and proceed towards Thimphu. Finally the convoy reached Thimphu around 8.15 pm local time and checked in at Hotel Dralha, Thimphu, Royal Kingdom of Bhutan. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Dralha, Thimphu, Bhutan. During the journey all the participants had a tremendous experience of sight seen at different locations on the way to Thimphu.

On Day 3, Dated 30.09.2023 At 8.30 am after breakfast the convoy of BIBN Friendship Car Rally which was flag off by Shri. Amit Verma, Counsellor and other official from Embassy of India to Royal Kingdom of Bhutan from Thimphu, and representative from Bhutan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI). After Flag off the convoy of the rally participants had enjoy sight seen at different location at Thimphu and on the way to Phuentsholing. The BIBN Friendship Car Rally convoy reached Phuentsholing around 03.20

pm local time and started crossing over to Jaigaon on the Indian side at around 3.40 pm IST after completing immigration procedures. All the participants took lunch at Hotel Kasturi, Jaigaon and proceed towards Siliguri. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Cygnett, Siliguri, India.

On Day 4, Dated 01.10.2023 After breakfast the BIBN Friendship Car Rally proceed towards Nepal and reached Kakarvitta ICP on the Nepal side around 10.00 am local time. All the participants are given a warm reception by the Nepal India Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NICCI), Koshi Province led by its President, Shri Abhinash Bohora, Shri Sajit Tamang, Vice President Natta Roshi Province, Nepal India Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NICCI) Shri Bishnu Shrestha, President, All Nepal Transport Association, Shri Mon Bahadur Giri, Shri Ram Bahadur Tamang, Hotel Association of Jhapa, Shri Basanta Tiwari, President, Indo Nepal Transport Welfare Federation and Shri Ganesh Kheral. All Nepal Transport Association President hand over letter address to Indian Embassy at Kathmandu, Nepal addressing different issues related to day to day smooth movements of vehicles and carries their products to India.

At around 12.30 pm local time after completing the necessary paperwork, the convoy left the Indo Nepal border and proceeds further. The convoy took a stoppage at Fine Restaurant, Damak at 01.55pm local time for a delicious Nepali lunch Thali. After lunch the convoy proceed towards the next destination and reached Hotel Mithila Yatri Niwas, Janakpur, Nepal at around 08.00 pm. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Mithila Yatri Niwas, Janakpur, Nepal.

On Day 5, Dated 02.10.2023 After breakfast the BIBN Frienship Rally convoy proceed towards Kathmandu by driving through the mesmerising BP Highway also known as the Sindhuli road which was constructed with the assistance of Japanese Government. During the journey all the participants had a tremendous experience of sight seen at different locations on the way to Kathmandu. The convoy entered the city of Kathmandu around 04.00 pm local time and reached Hotel Hyatt Place Kathmandu at around 04.40 pm local time. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Hyatt Place, Kathmandu, Nepal.

On Day 6, Dated 02.10.2023 After having breakfast at the Hotel Hyatt Place, all the participants of the Rally reached the office of NICCI (Nepal India Chamber of Commerce & Industry) at around 10.30 am local time. All the participants of the BIBN Friendship Car rally were given a warm reception by the NICCI officials with gifts and a MOU signing between NEFIT and NICCI took place at the conference hall of NICCI. NICCI hosted High Tea for all the BIBN Friendship Car Rally Participants at Green Leaves Restaurant, Kathmandu. All the participants went for Lunch and local sightseeing in the afternoon and evening. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Hyatt Place, Kathmandu, Nepal.

On Day 7, Dated 03.10.2023 After having breakfast at the Hotel Hyatt Place, BIBN Friendship Rally convoy reached the Embassy of India in Kathmandu at around 09.10 am local time. The Embassy of India in Kathmandu led by H.E. Shri. Naveen Srivastava Ambassador of India to Nepal gave a warm reception and provided tea and snacks to the participants of the rally. The BIBN Friendship rally was flag off from Kathmandu by H.E. Shri Naveen Srivastava Ambassador of India , Shri. Prasanna Shrivastava, Deputy Chief of Mission and Shri. Suman Shekhar Second Secretary (Commerce) to Nepal at 10.00 am local

time. The BIBN Friendship Rally convoy proceeds for the next destination. During the journey all the participants had a tremendous experience of sight seen at different locations on the way to Mithila. The BIBN Friendship Car Rally convoy reached Hotel Mithila Yatri Niwas, Janakpur, Nepal at around 08.00pm local time. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Mithila Yatri Niwas, Janakpur, Nepal.

On Day 8, Dated 04.10.2023 The BIBN Friendship Car Rally convoy left Hotel Mithila Yatri Niwas, Janakpur, Nepal at around 08.30 am local time after breakfast. The BIBN Friendship Car Rally convoy took a stoppage at Fine Restaurant, Damak at 03.30pm local time for a delicious Nepali lunch thali again. After lunch the convoy proceed towards the next destination and reached Hotel Cygnett, Siliguri, India at around 07.00 pm. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Cygnett, Siliguri, India.

On Day 9, Dated 05. 10. 2023 At around 8.00 am after breakfast the BIBN Friendship Car Rally convoy left Hotel Cygnett, Siliguri for the next destination. The rally convoy reached at Kachugaon for Lunch around 02.00 pm. After Lunch the rally convoy reached Tura, Meghalaya at around 07.00 pm and checked in at Hotel Polo Orchid, Tura, Meghalaya. Dinner and night halt at Hotel Polo Orchid, Tura, Meghalaya.

On Day 10, Dated 06.10.2023 A convoy of BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023 was flag off by Mr. Rakesh Sangma. MDC, GHADC, Chairman, Regional Planning and Development Council, East, West, North, South & South West Garo Hills, Tura and DC, West Garo Hills, Tura from Hotel Polo Orchid, Tura, Meghalaya, India for Dhaka, Bangladesh at 08.30 am. The Rally convoy reached Dalu LCS, India around 10.30 am and gone through the formalities on the Indian side for crossing over to the Bangladesh side. After the participants had completed the immigration and customs clearance we were informed that we cannot enter Bangladesh with our own cars until we get the order from NBR (National Board of Revenue), Bangladesh. NEFIT authorities had informed the Asst. High Commissioner of Bangladesh to India at Guwahati about the situation. The Asst. High Commissioner assured NEFIT that the matter will be sorted out and wait for some time. After we cannot get the letter from NBR till late afternoon, NEFIT informed about the situation to the High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, Dhaka. As the letter from NBR was not issued till late night, the participants decided to stay back in Tura.

On Day 11, Dated 07.10.2023 The letter from NBR (National Board of Revenue), Bangladesh was issued and received at around 4.00 pm IST.

At around 5.00 pm IST a BIBN Friendship Car Rally Convoy had entered Nakugaon LCS, Bangladesh.

After completing all the necessary formalities with the Bangladesh Border Guards, Customs and Immigration, the convoy left Nakugaon at around 8.30 pm local time and proceed to Dhaka, Bangladesh. The Rally convoy was given security protocols until Dhaka. The convoy was smoothly travelling in a busy road towards Dhaka by help of the security protocol vehicle given by the Bangladesh administration. TEAM NEFIT expresses gratitude for the all arrangements.

The Rally convoy of BIBN Friendship Car Rally participants reached Hotel Park Hyatt, Dhaka, Bangladesh at around 1.00 am local time and had the best Hilsa fish at the hotel.

On Day 12, Dated 08.10.2023 At around 8.40 am local time the convoy of BIBN Friendship Car Rally reached the Indian High Commission, Dhaka. After giving a warm reception and High Tea by H.E High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, the Rally was flag off at around 09.30 am local time by H.E Shri Pranay Verma High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, Smti. Saloni Sahai, First Secretary (Head of Chancery, Projects, Political), Shri. Pratik Negi, First Secretary (Eco & Commerce). While waiting for the Tourist Fee payment, the Rally convoy could leave Dhaka by around 01.00 pm local time. The convoy stopped at Jannat Restaurant and Resort at Bhairab around 03.20 pm local time for lunch and proceed towards Tamabil/Dawki border after lunch.

The Rally Convoy reached Tamabil LCS, Bangladesh via Sylhet at around 09.20 pm and after completing the formalities with the Bangladesh Customs, Immigration and BBG, entered Dawki on the Indian side. The local traders both the side welcoming the participants at the border around 10 pm. NEFIT had present mementos to all the relevant authorities along with traders association representatives from Tamabil at the border along with Ms. Dolly Khonglah for their gesture taken after waiting long time at the border for rally to arrived to the Dawki Tamabil LCS.

After completing the formalities on the Indian side at Dawki LCS with the BSF, Immigration and Customs, the rally convoy left Dawki for Guwahati at around 10.30 pm IST. The convoy reached Guwahati around 04.00 am IST on 09.10.2023.

Major activities: Signing of MOU between NEFIT and NICCI (Copy attached)

Follow up action taken: Proposal received from NICCI for starting up Kathmandu Guwahati bus service. (Copy attached)

Action taken: Request letter has been sent to Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam and also informing to His Excellency, The Ambassador of Indian Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal (Copy attached)

Please search in Google page as BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023 for more information.













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NEPAL-INDIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

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Ref: NICCI/NEFIT/2080-81/43
Date: 6th November, 2023

Mr. Mrinal Hatkhowa
General Secretary
North-East Federation on International Trade (NEFIT)
Shillong, India

Dear Mr. Hatkhowa,

I trust this message finds you in good health and spirits.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your visit to the NICCI Secretariat during the BIBN Car Rally, which was followed by a productive discussion, fostering interaction and collaboration between the North-East Federation on International Trade (NEFIT) and the Nepal-India Chamber of Commerce & Industry (NICCI), culminating in the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). I hope you had a pleasant experience during your trip to Nepal. We eagerly anticipate a meaningful partnership between our two Chambers.

Furthermore, I acknowledge your efforts towards the significant implementation of the BBIN motor vehicle agreement among the involved nations, with the exclusion of Bhutan at their specific request. This agreement stands as a pivotal milestone in fostering interpersonal relations among the partner nations, enabling the seamless flow of people and goods. The draft agreement was already prepared by the concerned government authorities of the BBIN nations, and given the extensive duration of discussions on this matter, we believe it is now opportune to proceed with its implementation through the formal signing of the document, thus initiating the unimpeded movement of motor vehicles.

In light of this, I kindly urge you to engage and advocate with the pertinent government authorities, while we shall similarly engage with our Commerce Ministry, to expedite the materialization of this agreement as promptly as possible.

For your kind information and request, bus service providers in Nepal are desiring to run bus service from the city of Guwahati to Kathmandu catering to tourist desiring to visit Kamakhya and Pashupati nath or even Lumbini. Please try identifying bus service providers in your area so that we can initiate to operate the services.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

Rajan Sharma
Executive Member and Convener,
Trade and Transit Committee, NICCI

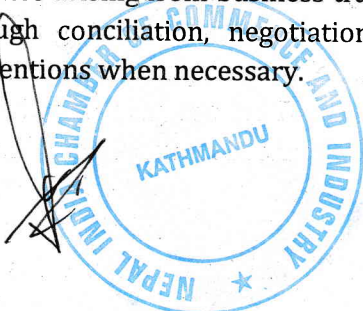


MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE NORTH EAST FEDERATION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (NEFIT),
SHILLONG, INDIA
AND
NEPAL-INDIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (NICCI),
KATHMANDU, NEPAL

Preamble:

With the aim of enhancing cooperation in trade and bilateral relations between North East India and Nepal, **the North East Federation on International Trade (NEFIT)** of India and the **Nepal-India Chamber of Commerce & Industry (NICCI)** of Nepal, hereinafter referred to as "the parties," have entered into this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), as follows:

1. **Objective:** The parties shall cooperate to strengthen bilateral relations in the spirit of friendship and understanding between the Republic of India and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal. They shall work together to enhance bilateral trade and investment.
2. **Exchange of Information:** The parties shall regularly share information and perspectives on expanding trade between the two countries. Both parties agree to provide trade information and publications in compliance with their respective countries' laws and regulations. Additionally, they will strive to promote Technology and Research Advancement Programs in universities and higher education institutions in Nepal and India.
3. **Areas of Collaboration:** The parties shall support and encourage the exchange of information in areas such as Agriculture, Horticulture, Food Processing, infrastructure development, technology, and skill development. This will be achieved through Farmers' Exchange Training Programs, Trade Delegations, Missions, and individual or group visits by businessmen between the two countries, particularly in the strategically located Northeastern region of India and Nepal.
4. **Economic Exploration:** The parties commit to exploring the economic and business potential of both regions, with a focus on the ventures, trade fairs, seminars, exhibitions, workshops, cultural exchange programs, and promotional activities will be identified.
5. **Dispute Resolution:** The parties shall assist in the amicable and friendly settlement of trade disputes arising from business transactions between their members. Disputes will be resolved through conciliation, negotiation, and arbitration, following international standards and conventions when necessary.

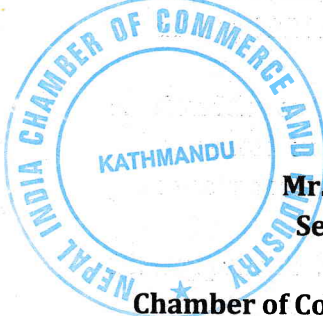




6. **Addressing Trade Barriers:** The parties will jointly address banking-related issues, problems with letter of credit payments, and other trade barriers, including tariffs, impacting exports and imports in bilateral trade between India and Nepal.
7. **Trade Balance:** The parties will identify potential exportable and importable items from Nepal and the North-East region of India. They will collaborate to address any trade imbalances between India and Nepal.
8. **Regional Support:** The parties will support and facilitate the transit of export-import goods among BBIN nations, including Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, and Nepal.
9. **Confidence Building:** The parties will promote trade and people-to-people contact through measures such as car rallies, road shows, trade fairs, exhibitions, cultural exchanges, and educational programs.
10. **Support to Exporters and Importers:** Both parties will provide guidance and support to exporters and importers associated with their Chambers.
11. **Mutual Review:** The parties commit to ensuring that this MoU benefits both parties and will jointly review it upon written request from either party.
12. **Duration:** This MoU shall come into force upon signing and will remain in effect until mutually revised by both parties.

Done and Signed in Kathmandu on October 3, 2023.

For and on behalf of:



Mr. Ramesh Sharma
Secretary General
Nepal-India
Chamber of Commerce & Industry (NICCI),
Kathmandu, Nepal

Mr. Mrinal Hathkhowa
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In the presence of
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NEFIT/CMO/BUS-SERVICE/BIBNFCR/23-24/06

Dated 18th November 2023

To

Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma,
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam,
Janata Bhawan, Dispur, Guwahati.

Sub: - Regarding facilitation of direct bus service between the ancient cities of Guwahati and Kathmandu

Hon'ble Sir,

Warm Greetings from North East Federation on International Trade (NEFIT)

At the very outset we express our sincere gratitude for your invaluable support for the **"BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023"**. This car rally which was flagged off from Guwahati has successfully completed its scheduled route of travel through Thimphu, Kathmandu, Dhaka and back to Guwahati from **28th September to 9th October 2023.**

The BIBN Friendship Car Rally served not only as a testament to the shared cultural and historical ties among the participating nations but also as a symbol of unity and collaboration in the face of global challenges. We believe that initiatives like the **"BIBN Friendship Car Rally 2023"** contribute significantly to enhancing people-to-people connections, economic cooperation, and overall regional development. Your support has undoubtedly played a crucial role in making this event a grand success, and it reflects your dedication to promoting goodwill and understanding in the region.

As follow-up to this event, we have received an Expression of Interest from the **Nepal-India Chambers of Commerce & Industry (NICCI)** for **starting a direct bus service between the ancient cities of Guwahati and Kathmandu (Letter Enclosed)**. They have stated that there is a great desire among the people of Nepal to visit the historic Kamakhya Temple, and this bus service can help in fulfilling that long cherished dream, and also serve to promote future trade and greater people to people contact. It will also give an opportunity to the people of North East India to visit the famous **Hindu shrine of Pashupati Nath, Janakpur and Buddhist pilgrimage site Lumbini.**

We hope that through your dynamic leadership and guidance we will be able to successfully implement this initiative of establishing direct land route connectivity between Kathmandu and Guwahati. We feel that this

will be a small but important step in making Guwahati the hub of regional trade & commerce among the BBIN nations.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering commitment to promoting friendship and collaboration in the region. We look forward to having an opportunity to meet you in person and formally place the proposal at your disposal for your kind perusal and necessary action.

Wishing you continued success in all your endeavors and looking forward to witnessing the positive impacts of the BIBN Friendship Car Rally in the days to come. Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,



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Wishing you continued success in all your endeavors and looking forward to witnessing the positive impacts of the BIBN Friendship Car Rally in the days to come. Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,


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