

Press Release

Buddha Jayanti / Lumbini Day 2074 is celebrated to observe 2561st Buddha Jayanti at the Embassy of Nepal in Beijing today. Welcoming the guests, His Excellency Ambassador Leela Mani Paudyal informed that a grand ceremony is being organized in Lumbini, the birthplace of Shakyamuni Buddha. The Ambassador highlighted that celebration of Buddha Jayanti is great occasion to reflect on us and draw inspiration from the profound teachings of Lord Buddha about eight paths of life. He said that the universal message of Buddha for Peace and Humility to all the creatures on earth is being more relevant today than ever. He mentioned that Shakyamuni Buddha leaves us the simple Sutras that help guide us to acquire happiness without harming any creature on the earth. The Ambassador further stated that the Buddhism is one of the bridges which linked Nepal and China, since time immemorial and said that both the countries now are enjoying excellent state of relations linked by culture since ancient times. He also called upon all the Buddhism believers from China to visit Lumbini, the holiest of the holy, the birth place of Lord Buddha at least once, in their life time.

In the program Most Ven. Master Yan Jue, Vice President of the Buddhist Association of China said, "at this great moment, let us remind of noble teaching of Lord Buddha for compassion and wisdom and harmony as well as peace, and work for construction of the world with enduring peace and common development. Let us pray for compassionate light by Lord Buddha to bless people among our two countries in close neighborhood and evergreen friendship, to bless world peace and people's happiness." He further stated that Sino-Nepal friendship enjoys long stream and deep roots and Buddhist communities among two countries have friendly exchanges and close connections.

The Program was followed by the Prayer program where Ven. Monks prayed at the Statute of Buddha in Peaceful Meditative Posture established in the embassy premises. The celebration program was attended by Ven. Monks, diplomatic communities including Ambassadors from Cambodia, Myanmar and Sri Lanka, representatives from different organizations related to culture, journalists, Nepali Community in China and embassy families.

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