

CTBT in Global Context: Nepal' Scenario

Nepal is a non-nuclear weapon state. As a peace loving country Nepal has already signed Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in 1970 and a signatory of the CTBT in 1996 with the commitment of using nuclear techniques in improving human health, world's peace, prosperity and security and not for military purposes. In this run, Nepal has also become a member state of UN's body, the IAEA for the peaceful use of nuclear applications in the country. The 'Nuclear Law of Nepal' has been drafted with cooperation of the IAEA which is currently in the parliamentary process for approval and that will open the door for the extensive use of nuclear applications for the benefit of the country. In the other hand, Nepal is surrounded by several nuclear installations of neighboring countries and remains in the threat of nuclear weapons menace and nuclear accidents that may occur in its neighborhood. The early ratification of the treaty should be in priority to maintain world's peace and prosperity. Moreover, CTBTO has proposed for hosting an Auxiliary Seismic Station to be established in the Mt. Everest of Nepal. I will share how Nepal can use the IMS data for disaster risk and climate change mitigation.

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