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Royal Government of Bhutan

PRIME MINISTER

Message on the Occasion of the 40th SAARC Charter Day

As we commemorate the 40th SAARC Charter Day, it is my pleasure to convey the warmest greetings and felicitations of the people and the Royal Government of Bhutan to the fellow Member States and peoples of South Asia. I would also like to express my good wishes to the SAARC Secretary General, members of the Secretariat and other SAARC bodies.

For the past four decades, SAARC has provided a platform for our countries to work together to foster mutual understanding, friendship and cooperation for peace and prosperity. The collective will to work together under the framework of SAARC has manifested itself in many landmark achievements in the fields as diverse as trade, energy, finance, education, poverty alleviation, culture and environment among others. A driving force in SAARC has been the realization that we in South Asia must work together as we are bound by geography, shared values, beliefs and aspirations.

As we celebrate this milestone, Bhutan as a founding member would like to reaffirm its commitment and support to the SAARC process and will continue to work closely with all Member States in realizing the goals and objectives enshrined in the SAARC Charter.

(Tshering Tobgay)

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