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International Climate Camp 2025, a one-of-a-kind immersive experience designed to engage youth, environmental leaders, and climate advocates from across South Asia in real-world sustainability actions.

About the International Climate Camp 2025
The International Climate Camp is an intensive, hands-on experience where young minds, climate professionals, and researchers come together to discuss, learn, and implement climate adaptation and mitigation strategies. This program will be hosted in Kathmandu, Nagargot at Nepal, on 4-8 July 2025, bringing together 80+ participants, including experts, youth leaders, and community members.

The camp included:

- ·Workshops & Training Sessions by climate experts and researchers.
- Community-Based Climate Action through engagement with local stakeholders.
- ·Cultural Exchange & Networking with global changemakers.
- Field Visits & Guided Trekking in Nepal's environmentally significant areas.
- ·Sustainable Development & Policy Dialogues to formulate actionable solutions.

The International Climate Camp is more than an event—it is a movement. In July 2025, 80+ youth leaders, climate professionals, and community advocates from across South Asia came together in the heart of Nepal to experience learning like never before.
For five days, participants stepped out of traditional classrooms and into nature's own. They explored mountains, villages, and cultural hubs, gaining hands-on experience in climate adaptation, sustainable practices, and community-led solutions.

4-8 July,2025 **Kathmandu, Nepal**

Goals & Focus Area

- **Education** – Build knowledge about climate change and its solutions through expert-led workshops and field visits.
- **Action –** Engage in tree plantations, sustainable farming, and hands-on community projects.
- **Youth Leadership –** Empower young people to design and implement climate strategies in their own communities**.**
- **Culture & Connection –** Foster intercultural friendships and collaborations across borders.



The International Climate Camp 2025- brought together participants from all over Asia in Nepal

Unfolding the Climate Experience

The International Climate Camp 2025 unfolded as a vibrant journey of learning, connection, and cultural immersion. Here's a glimpse into each unforgettable day:



Arrival and Opening Ceremony







The picturesque city of Kathmandu welcomed over 120 climate leaders, youth activists, academics, and policymakers as the International Climate Camp 2025 officially commenced with a grand welcome and opening dinner at the Suriya Heritage Hotel, Thamel.

The inaugural session opened with a warm welcome by the Ahsan Rony, Executive Director and Founder of Mission Green Bangladesh, who emphasized the importance of grassroots mobilization and regional collaboration:

> *"The climate crisis knows no borders. Through this camp, we aim to transform concern into capacity, ideas into action, and youth into catalysts of change for a greener South Asia."*
>
> -Ahsan Rony, Executive Director, Mission Green Bangladesh


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South Asian Climate Dialogue Strengthens at Tribhuvan University: A Key Milestone of International Climate Camp 2025








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Kathmandu University Hosts Strategic Dialogue on Climate Resilience and Green Innovation








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Local Exploration, Cultural Exchange, Trekking & Community Interaction

Trekking Through Stories, Planting Hope in the Heart of Nagarkot

Adventure met purpose as the participants of the International Climate Camp 2025 set off on a soul-stirring trekking journey through the breathtaking trails of Nagarkot, Nepal.
Starting from our beautiful mountain resort, we hiked through dense forests and winding hills, guided by nature and curiosity. But this was no ordinary trek — it was a walk into the lives of the local people, into their homes, their heritage, and their stories of resilience.
The warmth of the local community touched every heart. We were greeted with tea, cold water, and smiles that needed no translation. Together, we planted trees and created a small community garden, leaving behind a green symbol of solidarity.
We practiced meditation under open skies, sang songs echoing through the hills, and paused to soak in the majestic beauty of the Himalayas. It was a moment of deep connection — with nature, with each other, and with a community that reminded us why we do what we do.

“The Earth doesn’t need us to save it. It needs us to love it.”
And we did just that — through every step, every seed, every shared smile.
This village experience will remain one of the most soulful highlights of the Climate Camp — where action met adventure, and hearts aligned with hope.





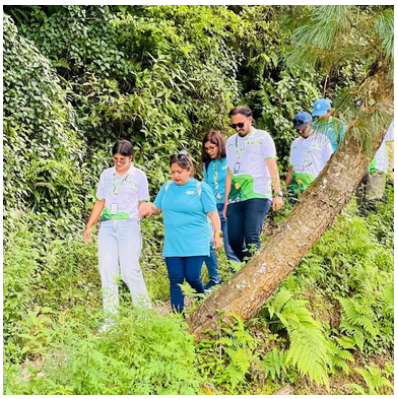













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Closing but A New Beginning



The International Climate Camp 2025 concluded on a powerful note in the serene hills of Kathmandu, marking the end of five days of learning, collaboration, and action-driven dialogue. The camp brought together climate leaders, youth representatives, policymakers, and experts from across South Asia.

A **Celebration of Learning and Collaboration**

The event began with welcome remarks by Ahsan Rony, Executive Director and Founder of Mission Green Bangladesh, who emphasized that the camp was not just a gathering but "the beginning of a long-term alliance for sustainable action across borders."

Participants then shared their reflections, recounting how the camp provided them with unique opportunities to learn from diverse perspectives, ranging from grassroots climate workers to global experts. Many described the camp as a "life-changing experience" that combined technical knowledge with cultural immersion, trekking, and hands-on environmental activities.

Partner organizations highlighted the importance of such youth-led initiatives in shaping future climate policy and practice.

Several distinguished guests delivered reflections, each underlining a different dimension of the climate challenge:

- **Dr. Ainun Nishat,** eminent water and climate expert and former Vice Chancellor of BRAC University, reminded participants:

"The real test begins when you return home. Climate action must be rooted in your own communities."

- **AKM Sohel**, Additional Secretary, Economic Relations Division, Bangladesh Ministry of Finance, encouraged stronger regional collaboration, stating:

"Climate is beyond borders, and so must be our response. Platforms like this camp build the foundation for South-South cooperation."

- **Prof. Dr. Moniruzzaman**, Vice Chancellor of Stamford University Bangladesh, praised the youth leadership, noting:

"When academia, government, and youth movements converge, we create the innovation necessary for a just energy transition."

- **Sunil Manandhar**, former Environment Minister of Nepal, urged participants to maintain the spirit of the camp in their professional journeys, saying:

"Your energy and vision are what policymakers need to keep climate justice at the center of development."

The highlight of the evening was the special remarks by **Dr. Baburam Bhattarai,** Former Prime Minister of Nepal.
Dr. Baburam is a former Prime Minister of Nepal, a renowned politician, and one of the key architects of Nepal's federal democratic republic. He is also a respected intellectual, development thinker, and leader of the Nepalese peace process. Dr. Baburam has consistently emphasized that climate resilience and environmental sustainability are central to Nepal's development journey.

In his inspiring speech, he said:

> *"Climate change is the greatest challenge of our era, but also the greatest opportunity to rethink how we live, consume, and govern. The youth gathered here today are not leaders of tomorrow, they are the leaders of today. It is your courage and creativity that will drive us toward a carbon-neutral future. I wish I could join you from the begining but I promise you to join you again next year."*

The ceremony concluded with closing remarks by Prof. Dr. Kamruzzaman Majumder, Dean of Science, Stamford University Bangladesh, who expressed gratitude to all partners, experts, and participants. He called for keeping the network alive, stating: "The legacy of this camp will not end here; it must continue as a movement."
An award ceremony followed, recognizing outstanding participants, group presentations, and contributions during the camp. Finally, the evening ended with networking, photo sessions, and a reaffirmed commitment to take the outcomes of the camp to global platforms like COP30.

A New Beginning

As the sun set over the Himalayan horizon, the International Climate Camp 2025 concluded not as an ending, but as a new beginning. With strong cross-country friendships, actionable ideas, and renewed determination, participants left Kathmandu with one collective promise — to champion climate justice and sustainability in their respective communities and beyond.



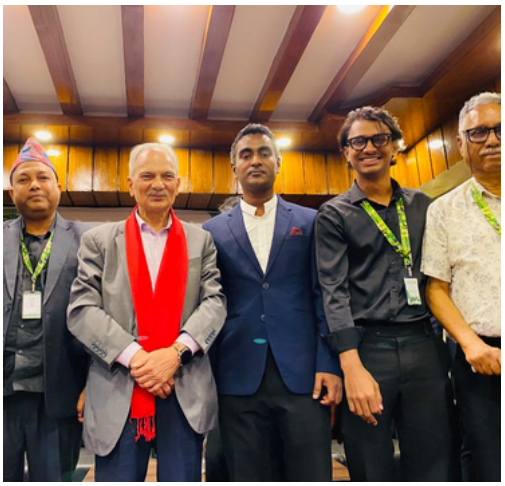



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Reception at the Embassy of Bangladesh in Nepal

The Embassy of the People's Republic of Bangladesh in Nepal hosted a special reception to honor the participants, partners, and distinguished guests of the International Climate Camp 2025. The event served as both a celebration of cross-border collaboration and an affirmation of Bangladesh's strong commitment to regional climate leadership.

Held at the Embassy premises in Kathmandu, the reception brought together climate activists, academics, policymakers, and youth delegates from Bangladesh, Nepal, and other South Asian nations. The atmosphere was one of camaraderie, reflecting the spirit of shared responsibility that had been nurtured throughout the camp.

In his remarks, H.E. Md. Shafiqur Rahman, Ambassador of Bangladesh to Nepal, praised the camp as an exemplary initiative that embodies the principles of youth leadership, innovation, and regional solidarity in addressing climate change.

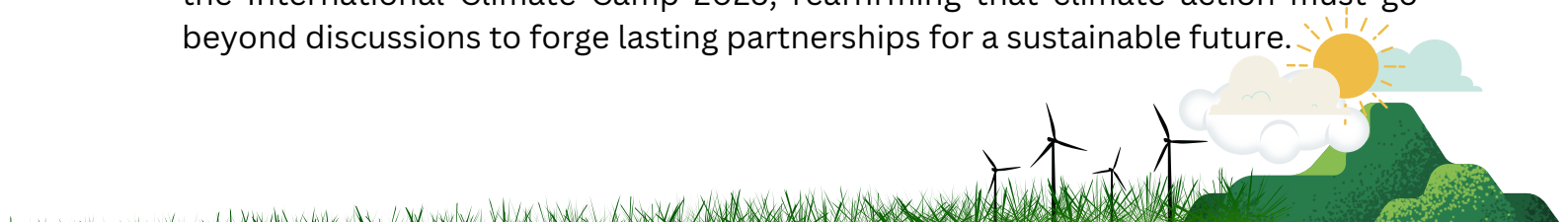
> *"Events like the International Climate Camp not only give young people a platform to express their vision but also strengthen diplomatic and community ties between nations. Bangladesh is proud to have been at the forefront of this effort,*
> *-**H.E. Md. Shafiqur Rahman**, Ambassador of Bangladesh to Nepal*

Several distinguished guests, including climate experts, academicians, and development professionals, highlighted the importance of institutional support and youth-driven action in shaping a resilient future. Delegates from both Bangladesh and Nepal shared their personal reflections, emphasizing how the camp had given them not only technical knowledge but also meaningful friendships and networks.

> *"The International Climate Camp 2025 has demonstrated how academia, government, and youth can come together to generate practical solutions to the climate crisis."*
> *-**Prof. Dr. Moniruzzaman**, Vice Chancellor of Stamford University Bangladesh*

The Embassy's warm hospitality underlined Bangladesh's active role in promoting regional climate diplomacy and youth empowerment in South Asia.

The reception at the Embassy of Bangladesh stood as a symbolic closing note to the International Climate Camp 2025, reaffirming that climate action must go beyond discussions to forge lasting partnerships for a sustainable future.




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