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## The Government of Nepal and the Government of Switzerland partner to enhance the quality of TVET sector in Nepal

**Kathmandu, August 03 2022:** Today, the Government of Nepal (GON), through the Ministry of Finance (MOF), and the Government of Switzerland, through the Embassy of Switzerland in Nepal, signed a grant agreement for the implementation a new Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) project 'Quality' utilizing CHF 7.47 million (equivalent to NPR 991 million).

The overall objective of the 'Quality' project is to ensure Nepali youth benefit from quality TVET and have better employment prospects by supporting all three spheres of government and especially the provincial governments to implement their constitutional mandates as provisioned in the constitution and the constitution unbundling report. The Project will support to train and licence 1,000 instructors as well as accredit 250 TVET schools in all over Nepal to recognize their quality performance. This will catalyse the improvement of the quality of TVET school. The project will benefit 50,000 Nepali people. The project will be implemented in all seven Provinces covering at least 25 percent of the total local governments in close collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST) and the Council for Technical and Vocational, Education and Training (CTEVT) at the federal level.

Mr. Ishwori Prasad Aryal, Joint Secretary and Head of International Economic Cooperation Coordination Division (IECCD), Ministry of Finance, and Her Excellency Elisabeth von Capeller, Swiss Ambassador to Nepal, the Embassy of Switzerland, signed and exchanged the agreement on behalf of their respective governments

Delivering a short remark after the signing ceremony, Mr. Aryal, Joint Secretary of Ministry of Finance outlined that the implementation of this project is crucial for ensuring Nepali youth to benefit from quality TVET and provide better employment prospects and socio-economic development of the country. Mr. Aryal also provided an overview of the development cooperation account concluded through Swiss assistance in Nepal

Similarly, Her Excellency Ms. Elisabeth von Capeller emphasized that TVET in Nepal is recognised as an important tool for economic growth and social inclusion. The performance of TVET schools must be of high standards to produce higher quality TVET graduates who could contribute to the increased productivity of the private sector leading to socio-economic growth of the country.

The Government of Nepal expresses its sincere appreciation to the Government of Switzerland for its invariable support in socio-economic development and advancement of human resources in Nepal. Both governments acknowledge the partnership that has seen many successes and look forward to continuing in the spirit of strong collaboration.

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