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The three-day Mid-term Review (MTR) of the implementation of Istanbul Programme of Action (IPOA) for the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) for the decade 2011-2020 concluded today in Antalya, Turkey, by unanimously adopting during its Closing Ceremony, the Outcome Document, which was finalized through a two-month long rigorous inter-Governmental negotiation at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

As the Rapporteur of the MTR, HE Mr. Durga Prasad Bhattarai, Ambassador/Permanent Representative of Nepal to the United Nations in New York, presented the Report, which contains the Outcome Document, to the closing plenary for adoption. The Outcome Document is in the form of a Political Declaration by the attending heads of state and government and other heads of delegations, which lays its focus on sharing best practices and experiences learned by the LDCs and their development partners and identifying obstacles and constraints and actions required to overcome them so as to “ensure the timely, effective and full implementation” of the IPOA during the remainder of the period in the context of, and in synergy and coherence with, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, the Paris Agreement of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030.

While referring to specific needs and challenges facing the LDCs, the high-level Delegations of UN member states, regional and international organizations, UN and other agencies to the MTR, highlighted the need to implement the IPOA with priority. Hon. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nepal, Mr. Kamal Thapa addressed the MTR on 27 May 2016 and also highlighted the need to effectively implementing the IPOA in synergy and coherence with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other landmark instruments achieved last year.

Speaking at the Roundtable this morning, the Permanent Representative said that a normative framework was felt necessary at the global level to ensure transparency for the funds mobilization meant for victims of disasters in the LDCs.

Hon. Mr. Dambar Dhoj Tumbahamphe, member of the Legislature-Parliament, left Antalia for Kathmandu today. In addition to the MTR plenary, the Hon. Tumbahamphe also participated in the Parliamentary Parallel Even organized on 28 May 2016.

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