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Project Advisory Committee cum Partners Meeting

**Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal
Enabling a Political Economy Discourse for Multi-Modal Connectivity**

**Thursday, the July 30th, 2020
15.30-17.30 HRS
(Indian Standard Time)**

Proposed Agenda

**THURSDAY,
30th JULY**

Review of the Project Inception Phase and Discussion on Possible Pandemic Resilient Implementation Strategies

Chair

Tariq Karim, Political Analyst & Independent Consultant
Senior Fellow, Bay of Bengal Institute Project, Office of Vice
Chancellor, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)
Former Advisory Consultant to World Bank, South Asia Regional Integration and
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Presentation

Bipul Chatterjee, Executive Director, CUTS International

This will be based upon the inputs received in the Project Inception Webinars. Furthermore, based on that, it will seek to underline absorptive potential of recommendations and insights into project implementation strategies in line with the project goals, objectives and expected outcomes.

Discussants

Atiur Rahman, Chairperson, Unnayan Shamannay, Bangladesh
Pushpa Chhetri, Director, Bhutan Media & Communications Institute
Sujev Shakya, Chairman, Nepal Economic Forum

Besides making reflections and talking about the progress made in the inception phase, the partners could discuss opportunities and challenges posed by COVID-19 in context of the project implementation phase for rest of the year. It will also provide an opportunity to discuss possible adaptation scenarios for timely completion of the scheduled project milestones.

Open Floor

Based on the above, this will be open to all Project Advisory Committee members and others to pitch in with their suggestions, inputs and provide guidance for effective implementation of the project.