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## in the arena of the CTBT

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Nepal is a peace loving country and signed Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in 1970. Nepal became a Signatory of Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) in 1996 with the commitment of using nuclear energy in improving human health, world peace and prosperity and security - not for military purposes. The Nepalese Government has recently passed a law on Radioactive Material (usage and regulation) Act 2020. It has now opened the door for the peaceful use of nuclear applications for the benefit of the country under guidelines of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as being a Member State of the IAEA. Next, Nepal is surrounded by several nuclear installations of neighboring countries and is always at the risk of nuclear threats that may occur in its neighborhood. In this context, Nepal can benefit from IMS Laboratories under CTBTO's network especially in monitoring seismic activities and radionuclide monitoring. In this run, after being motivated through participation in the conferences of National Youth Council (NYC) under the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Government of Nepal. It is the right time for the government to engage youths in the activities of the CTBT. It is necessary to link NYC with the CTBT to carry out CTBTO's mission.

### Promotional text

Nepal is a signatory of both NPT and CTBT. Nepal Government has recently passed the Radioactive Material Act 2020. Nepal is surrounded by several nuclear installations of neighboring countries and is at the risk of nuclear threats that may occur and needs assistance of CTBT.

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